

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Second Sunday in Lent

25 February 2018



At Worship Today:

Prayer of the Day:
God of all times and places,
in Jesus Christ, who was lifted up on the cross,
you opened for us the path to eternal life:
grant that we,
being born again of water and the Spirit,
may joyfully serve you in newness of life
and faithfully walk in your holy ways;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

7.45 am (BCP)
Book of Common Prayer
Presiding: Revd Kathryn
Preaching: Revd Kathryn
Hymn 116

10.30 am (CE)
Contemporary Eucharist
Presiding: Revd Dianne
Preaching: Revd Kathryn

The Sanctuary bell will be rung 5 minutes before the service begins to observe a time of quiet.

9.00 am (SE) A Prayer Book for Australia - page 119
Presiding at the Eucharist: Revd Garry
Preaching: Revd Dianne
Musical Setting: John Ross
Introit: **TIS 116**
Sentence: If you want to become a disciple of Jesus,
deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow
him.
First Reading: Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16
Gradual Psalm: **TIS 9**
Second Reading: Romans 4.13-25
Gospel Acclamation:



Gospel Sentence; O Christ, chief cornerstone, Right hand of the
Father: Way of Salvation, Gate of Life
Celestial: Cleanse us, our sinful souls from
all defilement.
Gospel: Mark 8.31-38
Offertory: **Hymn 194**
Motet: Lord, we beseech thee - Batten
Recessional Hymn: **Hymn 607**

People of all Christian churches, who are communicants of their own
church, are invited to share Holy Communion with us

First Reading: Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16

1 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' 3 Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 4 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 5 No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. 7 I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. 15 God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

Second Reading: Romans 4.13-25

13 The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14 If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. 16 For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, 17 as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he

grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God,²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' 23 Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, 24 but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, 25 who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel: Mark 8.31-38

31 Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.³³ But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' 34 He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. 36 For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? 37 Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? 38 Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'



St Paul's Cathedral

Together transforming our City and Diocese

Invitation to St Paul's Cathedral

Members of the Parish of St Stephen and St Mary Mt Waverley are invited to attend Choral Evensong on Wednesday 7 March at 5.10pm when prayers will be said for this parish.

SURINAME



This service has been prepared by
Suriname World Day of Prayer
Committee.

Theme: ALL GOD'S CREATION IS VERY
GOOD!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2018

Service to be held on Friday 2nd of
March at St Philip's Anglican Church.
Cnr. Stephenson's Rd & Catherine Ave.
at 2.00 pm followed by afternoon.

Our guest speaker will be Revd. Deacon
Clair Morgan-Brooker. Claire has a
background in theology and communi-
ty development. She also has a love for
ministry with women and children.

Look forward to seeing you at this
service.

MU - OUR 2018 THEME IS 'FOLLOWING IN THE STEPS OF MARY SUMNER'

Members and interested friends are invited to our first meeting for 2018 which will commence with a Eucharist in the Chapel at 1.00pm on Tuesday 27 February. This will be followed by a short meeting to discuss how we can 'Follow in the Footsteps of Mary Sumner' in a way consistent with the values of the 21st century, and have time for fellowship.

Our meetings are usually held on the 4th Monday of the month at 1.30pm. Please speak to Irene or Marg Taylor if you need transport.

Our first Project for the year is to prepare 'Comfort Packs' for homeless men.

Our speaker for the April Meeting is Rev Louise Long who coordinates programs for homeless men at the Lazarus Centre run at St Peter's Eastern Hill, and we would like to donate as many packs as we can to her to take back.

Donations of the following items can be left in the box marked LAZURUS CENRE in the Parish Centre up until mid-April. Cash donations are also most welcome to buy goods to make up the packs. These should be in an envelope marked LAZURUS CENTRE and given to one of the Clergy or Irene.

Essential items: Soap, face washer, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, disposable shavers, comb or brush

Welcome Extras: socks, jocks, T-shirt, moisturiser/hand lotion, conditioner

Donations of **new or nearly new toiletry bags** will also be welcome.

For more information: Irene or Marg

MU Australia
Part of the World Wide Mothers' Union

Lent in Jumbunna

The Upper Room
(John's Gospel 14-16)
Bishop Paul Barker's

Lenten Talks 2018



Wednesdays at 8 pm

Feb 28

Mar 7, 14, 21, 28

at St Philip's

Mt Waverley

All welcome

The Ladies Guild

The March meeting of the Ladies Guild will be held on Thursday 1st March (one week early) at 2.00 pm in the Parish Centre meeting room. Please join us for afternoon tea and a chat. You will be made most welcome.

Advance Notice:

The next Parish Magazine will come out in Lent. It will contain the list of Holy Week Services dates and times. (Front pages reserved for our Vicar). Contributions to this edition...by March 4

Australis Certificate of Ministry

WHO SHOULD TAKE THIS COURSE?

The Certificate course is ideal for anybody who wishes to learn about and deepen their faith.

Current students include:

- Christians wishing to explore issues of faith and church
- people involved in worship and music ministries
- retirees who wish to study in new leisure time
- people testing their vocation
- members of parish pastoral teams
- people engaged in Church agencies and welfare organisations
- pilgrims who want to deepen their experience of a sacred place



Australis Certificate of Ministry is a programme of theological education used throughout Australia and New Zealand under the auspices of the Anglican Diocese of Bendigo and formerly known as the Trinity Certificate in Theology and Ministry.

The Australis Certificate of Ministry will be starting in our parish soon.

Youth Group

is open to all Secondary School students and runs on first and third Sunday evenings of the month from 6pm till 8pm. On our first night back we'll be making our own pizzas and planning our first semester activities.

YG dates for your diary are:

4 March, 18 March, 22 April, 6 May, 20 May, 3 June & 17 June

HAVE YOU BEEN CONFIRMED?

We're planning to hold a confirmation service on Sunday 15 July, at a joint service at 9.45 am. All age groups are welcome, and a timetable for preparation classes will be put together when we know more about our group.

If you'd like to discuss joining the group or have any questions please contact Revd Kathryn

WHEN: WEDNESDAY MARCH 7TH

7PM -9PM

WHERE: ST STEPHEN & ST MARY CHURCH

383 High St Rd, Mount Waverley

WHAT: FILM with commentary by

GULA BEZHAN

AFGHAN WOMEN'S ORGANISATION

VICTORIA

Followed by light supper

COST: Donation

BOOKING: By Monday March 5th

Mobile: Judith 0422 854 756

Email: wisaustralia@gmail.com

(all donations go directly to WISA'S Women's Empowerment Project in Kabul)

Men's Forum

will be recommencing on Tuesday 13th March 2pm in the Old Church. Guest speaker will be Geoff Taylor. Topic will be "Mad Harry", Australia's most decorated soldier of WW1. All are welcome.



Afternoon Meditation Gatherings

1st Wednesday of the month at 2.30pm in the Chapel, based on Ignatian Spirituality. A Sacred Space where you can find rest and stillness, listen and centre yourself. Spiritual food is offered to aid reflection and meditation. Contact Val Dyke Next session 7 March.

Evening Meditation Gatherings

2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 7.30pm in the Old Church, based on the Contemplative Traditions of Christian Meditation. Contact Michael Mosley Next session will be on **8 March 7.30pm** in the Old Church, then on **22 March 2018**.

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Second Sunday in Lent - February 25 2018

7.45 am BCP
 9.00 am SE
 10.30 am CE
 3.00-8.00 pm Tamil Congregation (Church)

Monday 26

4.00-8.45 pm Karen Margaret Dance

Tuesday 27

9.30 - 11.00 am Yoga (Parish Ctr)
 10.30 am - 12 noon Mainly Music (Old Church)
 1.00 - 4.00 pm MU (Church & Parish Ctr)
 6.00 - 8.00 pm Lent Study (Parish Ctr)
 6.30 - 8.00 pm Yoga (Old Church)

Wednesday 28

9.00 am - 3.30 pm Ken Morgan (Parish Ctr)
 10.30 am - 12 noon Mainly Music (Old Church)
 10.30 am Friendship Group
 7.45 pm Parish Council (Old Church)

Thursday 1

10.00 - 11.00 am Eucharist w morning tea
 1.30 - 3.30 pm Ladies Guild (room 4)
 2.00 - 3.00 pm Sue (Counselling room)
 6.30 - 8.00 pm Yoga (Parish Ctr)
 7.30 pm Choir Practice (Church)

Friday 2

9.30 - 11.30 am Yoga (Parish Ctr)

Saturday 3

2.00 - 5.00 pm Tamil choir practice (Old Ch)
 3.00 - 9.00 pm Chinese church (Church & Parish Ctr)

Sunday 4 Lent 3

7.45 am BCP
 9.00 am SE
 10.30 am CE
 6.00 - 8.00 pm Youth Group (Church)

Next week: Third Sunday in Lent - March 4, 2018

Readings:

Exodus 20.1-17
 Psalm 19
 1 Corinthians 1.18-25
 John 2.13-22

Stewards/Welcomers:

BCP B de Lacy
 J de Lacy
 SE M Noblett SS
 Gillian Leembruggen
 N Flora
 CE Marg
 Geoff

Readers:

BCP J Miller
 SE M Biddle
 G Tait
 CE Fiona R

Eucharistic/Chalice Assistance:

BCP J de Lacy
 SE G Tait
 H Warren
 G Smith
 R Ritchie
 CE Bill
 Geoff

Intercessor:

SE Jenny Bowers
 CE ?

Mainly Music continues to engage with young families. You are always welcome to come along and see what we do. Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10.30am - 12 noon, Parish Ctr, during school term.



Galahkookemu

Held on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7.00 pm dinner/gathering off site at Mitcham. We explore how to follow the Benedictine way of life in today's world.
www.monasteriesoftheheart.org
 Visitors are always welcome.
 Contact Christine Mallouhi

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Priest The Revd Dianne Sharrock

(Day off - Monday)

Assistant Curate The Revd Kathryn Watt

(Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun)

Assistant Curate The Revd Garry Deverell

(Sunday only)

Children's and Families' Minister Becky Sims

(Tues, Wed, Thurs)

Music Director David Cundy

Treasurer Geoff Crawford

Office Manager Katherine Rushby

Churchwardens: Kevin Phillips, John Foster, Rowena Ferguson

Parish Council: Geoff Crawford, Graeme Dellora, Elaine Fasken, Judith Gibson, Doug Hastings, Sherredan Maher, Peter Northwood, Joan West

Pastoral Care Ministry:

Aged Care Chaplaincies: Bruce Chugg

Hospital Visiting: Clergy

Funeral Ministry: The Vicar

Contemporary Eucharist Contact: Rowena Ferguson

Spiritual Director Val Dyke

Prayer Chain contact Margaret Syfret

SERVICES: Sunday

7.45am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

9.00am Sung Eucharist (APBA)

10.30am Contemporary Eucharist (Children's Participation)

Tuesday 9.15am Morning Prayer

Wednesday - Friday 9.00am Morning Prayer

Thursday 10.00am Eucharist