

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

*WELCOME*

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**10 June 2018**



Honour the LORD with your wealth, with the  
first fruits of all your crops. Proverbs 3.9





**First Reading: 2 Chronicles 31.1-10**

Now when all this was finished, all Israel who were present went out to the cities of Judah and broke down the pillars, hewed down the sacred poles, and pulled down the high places and the altars throughout all Judah and Benjamin, and in Ephraim and Manasseh, until they had destroyed them all. Then all the people of Israel returned to their cities, all to their individual properties.

Hezekiah appointed the divisions of the priests and of the Levites, division by division, everyone according to his service, the priests and the Levites, for burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being, to minister in the gates of the camp of the Lord and to give thanks and praise. The contribution of the king from his own possessions was for the burnt-offerings: the burnt-offerings of morning and evening, and the burnt-offerings for the sabbaths, the new moons, and the appointed festivals, as it is written in the law of the Lord. He commanded the people who lived in Jerusalem to give the portion due to the priests and the Levites, so that they might devote themselves to the law of the Lord. As soon as the word spread, the people of Israel gave in abundance the first fruits of grain, wine, oil, honey, and of all the produce of the field; and they brought in abundantly the tithe of everything. The people of Israel and Judah who lived in the cities of Judah also brought in the tithe of cattle and sheep, and the tithe of the dedicated things that had been consecrated to the Lord their God, and laid them in heaps. In the third month they began to pile up the heaps, and finished them in the seventh month. When Hezekiah and the officials came and saw the heaps, they blessed the Lord and his people Israel. Hezekiah questioned the priests and the Levites about the heaps. The chief priest Azariah, who was of the house of Zadok, answered him, 'Since they began to bring the contributions into the house of the Lord, we have had enough to eat and have plenty to spare; for the Lord has blessed his people, so that we have this great supply left over.'

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4.13-5.1**

13 Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak,<sup>14</sup> because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. 15 Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

16 So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. 17 For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, 18 because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

5 For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

**Gospel: Mark 3.20-35**

The crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. 21 When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' 22 And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' 23 And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. 26 And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. 27 But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

28 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; 29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— 30 for they had said,

'He has an unclean spirit.'

31 Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. 32 A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' 33 And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' 34 And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

### All Parishioners

Please collect your envelopes from the table in the Narthex. Thank you.

### RE-CYCLING POSTAGE STAMPS

CMS collects used stamps as a fund raiser for their mission work. Our parish is collecting these in a *stamp covered box* on the table near the photocopier.

Please add your re-cycled stamps, cut with a frame of paper around each stamp, into this box.



### The Jazz Singer ...

This most entertaining evening was developed by Alf North who located the historic film footage, Andrew McCoy who provided the technical expertise to show the films, Phoebe Wilkinson-North and her helpers who produced the intermission snacks and supper, Dennis Blomley who warmed up the audience with his music, Joanna Clyne magician extraordinaire. And those many others who moved chairs and sold tickets. Thank you one and all from MU.

The profit from this evening will support education and empowerment projects for Indigenous Women.

### Coming Mothers' Union Events ...

If you or a member of your family were once a member of Mothers' Union, Young Wives or Caritas, you are invited to join us in the **Celebration of the 60th Birthday of Mother's Union** in this Parish on **Sunday June 24th at 9am Service**, with morning tea afterwards.

We also invite you to join us for our **60th Birthday MU Meeting on Monday 2pm in the Parish Centre** with our Guest Speaker Mrs. Beth Hookey, former president of Mothers' Union, who will speak on the history of MU in this Diocese. A splendid afternoon tea will follow, with plenty of time to catch up with old friends.

### And there is still more...another date for your diary

If you missed the very profession and insightful presentation by Sue Retschko on the recent Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land...

Book this date in your diary now.

### Monday July 23rd. July meeting 1-30pm, Speaker 2pm in the Parish Centre.

**Kylie Wingjam from Anglican Overseas Aid**, will speak about the MU Solar Lights Project in the Solomon Islands. This innovative project has transformed the lives of children and families, reducing the dangers of house fires and health problems caused by kerosene lighting, improving the educational outcomes for children and providing economic independence for women. A really good news story that our MU group has supported. Irene



### Song at the Centre

Words: Marty Haugen 1993, GIA Publications, Inc.

#### Refrain

*From the corners of creation  
to the centre where we stand,  
Let all things be blessed and holy,  
all is fashioned by your hand;  
Brother wind and sister water,  
mother earth and father sky,  
Sacred plants and sacred creatures,  
sacred people of the land.*

1. In the north, the place of wisdom,  
there is holy darkness deep,  
Here the silent song of myst'ry  
may awake you from your sleep;  
Here the music still and holy  
sounds beneath the snow and night  
In the ones who wait with patience  
for the coming of the light.

#### Refrain

2. In the west, the place of seeing,  
there is born a vision new  
Of the servant of the servants,  
who proclaimed a gospel true;  
Let the creatures of creation  
echo back creation's prayer,  
Let the Spirit now breathe through us  
and restore the sacred there.



### CHAT&CHEW

Friday June 15th. 10.30 am till noon.

TORO CAFE Hamilton Place

Mt Waverley shops.

Drop in or sit and stay.

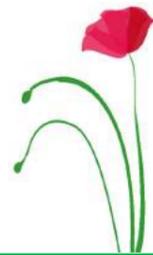


### GARDENING GROUP

Next Saturday 16th June, the Garden Group will again convene to spruce up the church grounds. 9.30am onwards.

Please stay for a cuppa and a chat afterwards.

Enquiries: Maggie and Graeme Dellora



### MEN'S FORUM

Tuesday 12th June

2pm in Old Church

Guest Speaker: Dr Geoff Crawford

Topic: Poisons and Poisoners

A most unusual topic and should be very interesting and with Dr Geoff presenting, it promises to be entertaining.

All parishioners are most welcome.



### Parish Magazine

The next **Parish Magazine** will come out on July 15...deadline July 1. **The Lead Article will be by our Vicar Dianne re the Patronal Festival of St Stephen to be celebrated on August 5. Articles on any topic from the 3 services of events including photos, Revd Garry's farewell, life changing stories, etc., appreciated. Email or leave at the office for Katherine to forward to me.**

## CELTIC SPIRITUALITY WORKSHOP

Saturday 30th June, 10.00 – 3.00 p.m.

*led by Cath Connelly*

in the parish centre. BYO lunch.

Refreshments available.

Please put your name on the  
sign-up sheet in the parish centre.



Drawing on connections to nature, a passion for learning, prayer, soul friends, music, art, poetry and pilgrimage, Celtic spirituality offers a deeply engaging way of relating to God. Spiritual director, retreat leader and professional Celtic harpist, Cath Connelly is well qualified to lead us through a day of exploring the major themes of this form of spirituality. The day will be reflective, experiential and informative. It will include harp music, meditation, input sessions and time for personal reflection.

### WINTER WOOLLIES COLLECTION

The Social Justice Committee is running a collection of winter woollies for people in need over the next three weeks.

Goods to be collected include:

- Blankets and sleeping bags
- Knitted goods including hats, scarves, gloves, mittens
- Woollen socks – we suggest Explorer socks

Please place goods in the Narthex.

John Russell

For the Parish Social Justice Committee

### Confirmation candidates

Please pray for the following candidates who are being confirmed on July 15 2018:

Miranda Frost

Nick Batten

Kayla Russell

Arwyn Morgan

Baptism too:

Kathy Dogshun



### 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 will be on 4 July 2018.**

### Evening Meditation Gatherings

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month (except this month - next session **on the 31<sup>st</sup>**) at 7.30pm in the Old Church, based on the Contemplative Traditions of Christian Meditation. Contact Michael Mosley Next session will be on **14 June 7.30pm** in the Old Church, then on **28 June 2018.**

## Dates to put in your diary ...

### **Sunday Third Sunday after Pentecost - June 10 2018**

7.45 am	BCP
9.00 am	SE
10.30 am	CE
11.30 am	Confirmation prep (room 4)
3.00 - 8.00 pm	Tamil Congregation (Church)
<b>Monday</b>	11
4.00 - 8.45 pm	Karen Margaret Dance (PC)
<b>Tuesday</b>	12
9.30 - 11.00 am	Yoga (Parish Ctr)
10.30 am - 12 noon	mainly music (Old Church)
2.00 - 3.30 pm	Men's Forum (OC & PC)
7.30 - 9.30 pm	TCCV Vestry (room 4)
<b>Wednesday</b>	13
10.30 am - 12 noon	mainly music (Old Church)
10.30 am	Friendship Group
<b>Thursday</b>	14
10.00 - 11.00 am	Eucharist w fellowship
6.30 - 8.00 pm	Yoga (Old Church)
7.30 - 9.00 pm	Meditation (Old Church)
<b>Friday</b>	15
9.30 am - 12.00 pm	Yoga (Old Church)
10.30 am - 12.00 pm	Chat 'n' Chew
<b>Saturday</b>	16
9.30 - 1.00 pm	Gardening group
3.00 - 9.00 pm	Chinese Congregation (Church & Parish Ctr)
<b>Sunday</b>	17 Pentecost 4
7.45 am	BCP
9.00 am	SE
10.30 am	CE
11.30 am	Confirmation prep (room 4)
2.00 - 4.00 pm	Birthday Party
6.00 - 8.00 pm	Youth Group

**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.



### **Next week: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - June 17, 2018**

Readings:	
1 Samuel	15.34-16.13
Psalm	20
2 Corinthians	5.6-10
Mark	4.26-34
Stewards/Welcomers:	
BCP	G Le Huray
	C Gant
SE	G Dellora SS
	M Dellora
	T Syfret
CE	Rowena
	Judith
Readers:	
BCP	J de Lacy
SE	S Retschko
	P Northwood
CE	Lizzie
Eucharistic/Chalice Assistance:	
BCP	J Burns
SE	J Brown
	H Brown
	B Chugg
	J Bowers
CE	Rowena
	Miriam
Intercessor:	
SE	Bruce Chugg
CE	Rowena



#### **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](http://www.monasteriesoftheheart.org)  
 Visitors are always welcome.  
 Contact Christine Mallouhi

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**Priest**

(Day off - Monday)

The Revd Dianne Sharrock

**Assistant Curate**

(Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun)

The Revd Kathryn Watt

**Children's and Families' Minister**

(Tues & Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm)

Becky Sims

**Music Director**

Brian Copple

**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

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