#### THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

**MOUNT WAVERLEY** 

WELCOME

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany 17 February 2019



Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,
and who meditates on his law day and night.
That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers. Ps 1

# **At Worship Today:**

7.45 am (Book of Common Prayer) Presiding: Revd Dianne Preaching: Revd Greg	Righteous God, you challenge the powers that rule this world and you show favour to the oppressed: instil in us a true sense of justice, that we may discern the signs of your kingdom and strive for right to prevail; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
10.30 am (Contemporary Eucharist) Presiding: Revd Dianne Preaching: Revd Greg	

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

**9.00 am** (Sung Eucharist) A Prayer Book for Australia - page 119

Presiding at the Eucharist: Revd Dianne Preaching: Revd Greg

Liturgy Setting: Michael Dudman

Processional: TIS 258 Praise to You, O Christ, Our Saviour

Sentence: Blessed are you when people hate you on account

of the Son of man. Rejoice and leap for joy, for

behold, your reward is great in heaven.

First Reading: Jeremiah 17.5- 10

Gradual: TIS 160 Father All-loving and Ruling in Majesty

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

Gospel: Luke 6.17-26

**Gospel Acclamation:** 



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Offertory: TIS 197 God's Son Came to Bless Us Recessional Hymn: TIS 106 Now Thank We All Our God

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

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 17.5- 10

5Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. 6 They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. 7 Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. 8 They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. 9 The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? 10 I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

12 Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 15 We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised, 17 If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. 19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

#### Gospel Reading: Luke 6.17-26

17 He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. 18 They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. 19 And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

20 Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 21 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

22 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. 23 Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 24 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 25 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

26 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.



#### Thank You!

We have received the following Thank You card (pinned on notice board).

Dear Phoebe & all who donated from St Stephen's and St Mary's church.

Jeremy and I are so grateful for all of the support we received from everyone in the weeks after our little girl Emilia was born. We cannot thank you all enough as everything we were given was of great help.

Thank you all so much for helping our little family.

From Jeremy, Corrina & Emilia. xoxo

#### **Palm Crosses**

Please bring your palm crosses for burning in preparation for Ash Wednesday. Bowl in the Narthex can be used.



Ash Wednesday services will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. (Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes).

## **Youth Group**

Youth Group starts tonight. We are on the lookout for leaders. If you are interested please chat to Greg.

# World Day of Prayer 1st March at 1.30pm

You are invited to join us in prayer for the needs of Slovenia and its people at the World Day of Prayer service here at St Stephen's and St Mary's, Mt Waverley.



Speaker: Dr Rosemary Fethers, GP in Western District for 30 years, now working within Uniting and Scots' Churches Flemington, providing meals and medical care for the homeless and disadvantaged.

Solo item during the World Day of Prayer is as follows...

"The Greatest Gift of all" Words and Music Alison Washington. Initially written to celebrate St Paul's Day... for solo and Piano Accompaniment.

Solo Allan Washington

#### **Lenten Studies 2019**

This year's Lenten Study will consist of a 6 week book study. The book is called 'Living now for then' prepared by Trinity College Theological School and it costs \$10.

It says, "the aim of the study is to help you work through key aspects of living as a citizen of God's new creation, grounded in today's Australia, ... to enrich you as a Christian disciple, and to equip you more effectively to 'live now for then.'

The following sessions are being offered. Please fill in the sign-up sheets in the Parish Centre to indicate your preference. You may also choose to purchase a book for home study.

Tuesdays 10.00 am - 11.30 am commencing 5th March led by Revd Dianne

Thursdays 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm commencing 7th March led by Revd Dianne

Fridays 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm commencing 8th March led by Revd Greg

Sundays 2.00 - 3.30 pm commencing 10th March led by Rev Greg

#### Choir

The St Stephen and St Mary Choir, the church's primary choral ensemble consisting of 15 volunteers, sings the first, second, **fourth** and fifth Sunday mornings at the 9:00 am Eucharist. A weekly rehearsal is held every Thursday evening 7:30-9:00 pm in the church, except the Thursday preceding the third Sunday of the month. Hymns and service music are drawn principally from the *Together In Song* hymnal, supplemented by selections from other Anglican and ecumenical musical resources. The choir sings at special services and a concert during the year and performs a wide range of music. We are looking to increase the choir's membership: if you enjoy singing and socialising with other singers, please contact our music director, Brian Copple at *music@stephenandmary.org.au*.

## Rev'd Kathryn's commissioning

Rev'd Kathryn's commissioning will be held on Thursday 21st February at 7pm at Holy Trinity, 175 Chapel Street, Balaclava.

## Housekeeping

Please remember to vacuum the carpet after morning tea following the 10.30 am service and any other event where food is served. Please also empty the vacuum cleaner afterwards.



#### Mothers' Union 2019

Mothers' Union invites all women in the parish to join us for our opening Eucharist, on **Tuesday February 26th at 1-30pm** in the Chapel, celebrated by Rev Dianne.

Afterwards we will introduce our program for 2019, over afternoon tea in the Parish Centre.

Hear about the 40 Acts of Kindness Challenge for Lent this year.

Become part of Mothers' Union and sign up for a prayer partner to support you during this year.

Make suggestions for places we might visit for our OUT & ABOUT program.

Enjoy the fellowship of other women in the Parish...

and if you are new to the Parish make some new friends.

## **Dates for your Diary:**

MU annual celebration LADY DAY Service @ St. Pauls' Cathedral SUNDAY MARCH 24th. 2-30pm

MU usually meets on the 4th MONDAY of each month@ 1-30pm. **Next meeting March 25th.** 

# LENTEN QUIET DAY

Time out to journey towards the Cross



# Saturday 9th March

10.00 am – 3.00 pm

Morning/Afternoon Tea provided

BYO Lunch

#### PLEASE SIGN THE LIST

in the Parish Centre

#### **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.



## **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 3 April 2019.** 

#### **Evening Meditation Gatherings**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month at 7.30pm in the Old Church, based on the Contemplative Traditions of Christian Meditation. Contact Michael Mosley. The next session will be on **Thursday 28th February, 2019, 7.30 pm** in the Old Church, then on **14th March**.

# Dates to put in your diary ...

**Sunday** Epiphany 6

- February 17, 2019

7.45 am Book of Common Prayer

9.00 am Sung Eucharist

10.30 am Contemporary Eucharist

6.00 - 8.00 pm Youth Group

Monday 18

4.00 - 8.45 pm Karen Margaret Dance (PC)

Tuesday 19

9.30 - 11.00 am Yoga (Parish Centre) 7.00 - 9.00 pm Amnesty Intl (room 4)

Wednesday 20

10.30 am mainly music10.30 am Friendship Group7.30 pm Parish Council meeting

Thursday 21

10.00 - 11.30 am Eucharist + brunch 7.30 - 9.00 pm Choir practice (Church)

Friday 22

9.30 am - 12 noon Yoga (Parish Centre)

Saturday 23

2.00 - 4.00 pm TCCV Choir (Old Church)

3.00 - 10.00 pm Chinese Church Sunday 24 Epiphany 7

7.45 am Book of Common Prayer

9.00 am Sung Eucharist

10.30 am Contemporary Eucharist

3.00 - 8.00 pm Tamil Church

Next week: Epiphany 7

- February 24, 2019

Readings:

Genesis 45.3- 11,15 Ps 37.1-11.40-41 1 Corinthians 15.35-50

Luke 6.27-38

Stewards/Welcomers: BCP Grant Le Huray

Celia Gant SE Graeme Dellora SS

Shanti Lieversz
Gillian Leembruggen

CE Leigh Adrian

Readers:

**BCP Janice Miller** 

SE Gillian Leembruggen

Jenny Bowers

CE Judith

Eucharistic/Chalice Assistance:

BCP Frank Miller

SE Yolanda Lancaster

lan Smith
Sue Retschko
Leonie McLachlan

CE Christine M Miriam

Intercessor:

SE Sue Retschko

CE Greg W

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



#### Galahkookemu

We are a group who seek to follow the Benedictine way in modern life,

meeting monthly on the final Wednesday at 7pm. Contact Christine Mallouhi.

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Priest The Revd Dianne Sharrock

(Day off - Monday) Emergency contact

Assistant Curate The Revd Greg Wong

(Tues, Wed & Thurs mornings, Fri, Sun)

Children's and Families' Minister Becky Sims

(Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm) Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm)

Music DirectorBrian CoppleTreasurerHelen Warren

Office Manager Katherine Rushby
Churchwardens: Graeme Dellora

John Foster Judith Gibson

Parish Council: Sugan Blanchard, Margaret Crawford, Rowena Ferguson, Doug

Hastings, Frances Ludgate, Sherredan Maher, Peter Northwood,

Helen Warren.

**Pastoral Care Ministry:** 

Aged Care Chaplaincies:Bruce ChuggHospital Visiting:ClergyFuneral Ministry:The Vicar

Contemporary Eucharist Contact: Rowena Ferguson

**Spiritual Directors**: Cath Connelly

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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