THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

24 February 2019

The Altar

BY GEORGE HERBERT

A broken ALTAR, Lord, thy servant rears, Made of a heart and cemented with tears; Whose parts are as thy hand did frame; No workman's tool hath touch'd the same. A HEART alone

A HEART alone

Is such a stone,

As nothing but

Thy pow'r doth cut.

Wherefore each part

Of my hard heart

Meets in this frame

To praise thy name.

That if I chance to hold my peace,

These stones to praise thee may not cease.

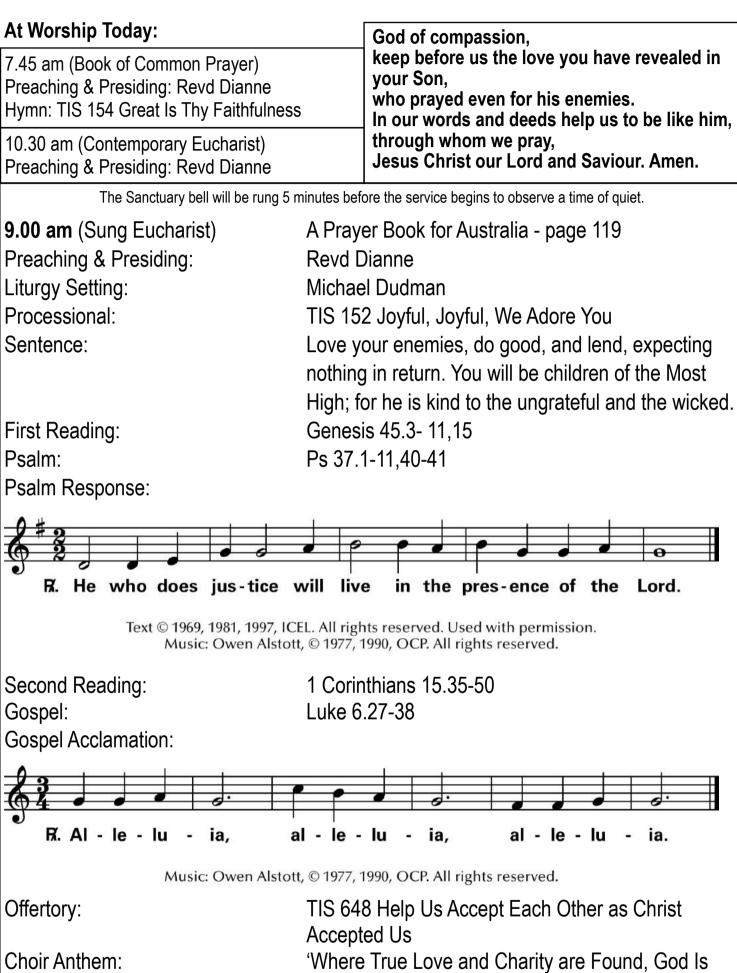




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Oh, let thy blessed SACRIFICE be mine,

And sanctify this ALTAR to be thine.



 Always There' Latin 9th C. Mode VI, Tr. by Richard Proulx

 Recessional Hymn:

 TIS 154 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

 People of all Christian churches, who are communicants of their own church,

are invited to share Holy Communion with us

First Reading: Genesis 45.3-11,15

3 Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. 4 Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. 5 And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life.6 For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest.7 God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8 So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. 9 Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. 10 You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11 I will provide for you there-since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." 15 And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.35-50

35 Someone will ask, 'How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?' 36 Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. 37 And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain.38 But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. 42 So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. 43 It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. 44 It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. 45 Thus it is written, 'The first man, Adam, became a living being'; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46 But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual.47 The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. 48 As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. 49 Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. 50 What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Gospel Reading: Luke 6.27-38

Jesus said to his disciples, 'I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. 29 If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. 30 Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. 31 Do to others as you would have them do to you. 32 'If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. 33 If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. 34 If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. 35 But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. 37 'Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; 38 give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.'

Thank You

Alf and Phoebe would like to THANK all those people that helped make the movie night the success that it was. Without your help these things could not happen. We raised \$1,630.

Thank you again, Alf & Phoebe

CELEBRATING 'WORLD DAY OF PRAYER' 2019

World Day of Prayer is a global Ecumenical movement of Christian women of many traditions in 170 countries who come together each year on the first Friday in March to observe a common day of prayer. It aims to bring together women of various races, cultures and traditions.

Every year since 1887, Christians have gathered together to pray for the issues of family violence, child abuse, human trafficking and other forms of injustice.

This year's program has been prepared by the women of Slovenia with the focus on Strengthening Communities and the theme 'Come - Everything is Ready!' The Republic of Slovenia is a country of 2,000,000 people in central Europe which gained its independence from Yugoslavia in 1991.

The Mt Waverley celebration is coordinated by the Australian Church Women (ACW) which represents all Christian churches in the local Mount Waverley area. It will be held at St Stephen and St Mary's Anglican Church at 383 High Street Road, Mount Waverley at 1.30 pm on Friday 1 March.

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

There will also be a solo item 'The Greatest Gift of All' composed by Alison Washington and sung by her husband Allan Washington.

Everyone is welcome and especially newcomers. Afternoon tea will be served in the Parish Centre afterwards.

For additional information please contact

Ros or St Stephen and St Mary's office on 9807 3168

or check the list of services online at www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org

Lenten Studies 2019

Please collect your Lenten book from the Narthex. Please note you need to do preparation for the first session. Please pay for your book at the first session.

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

Youth Group

We are on the lookout for leaders. If you are interested please chat to Greg.

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 6th March at 10.00 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. (Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes).

Confirmation/Reception

Confirmation or Reception into the Anglican Church on Sunday 9th June at 9.45 a.m.

A joint Service with Rt Revd Kate Prowd to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the concretion of the current church building.

Please let Dianne or Greg know of your desire for Confirmation/Reception.

2019 Pascal Candle

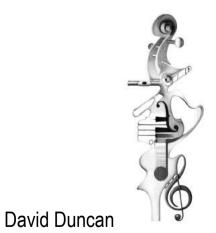
For many years the Pascal Candle has been donated by someone in memory of a loved one.

If you would like to donate this year's Pascal Candle, please speak with Bruce Chugg. Cost is approx. \$200.

Men's Forum

2pm Tuesday 12th March

Guest Speaker: Reis Flora







Topic: Music, a glimpse in to its mystery and infinite variety.

This promises to be a most interesting presentation.

We invite all parishioners and friends to join us.



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 OR Email: Val

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

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. 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 ...

<u>Sunday</u> Epiphany 7 - February 24, 2019		Next week: Last Epiphany - Transfiguration - March 3, 2019
7.45 am 9.00 am 10.30 am 3.00 - 8.00 pm <u>Monday</u> 4.00 - 8.45 pm <u>Tuesday</u> 9.30 - 11.00 am 1.30 - 3.30 pm <u>Wednesday</u> 10.30 am 10.30 am 7.30 pm <u>Thursday</u> 10.00 - 11.30 am 7.30 - 9.00 pm <u>Friday</u> 9.30 am - 12 noon 1.30 - 3.30 pm 7.30 - 9.00 pm <u>Saturday</u> 3.00 - 10.00 pm <u>Sunday</u> 7.45 am 9.00 am 10.30 am 6.00 - 8.00 pm 6.00 pm - 12.00 am	Book of Common Prayer Sung Eucharist Contemporary Eucharist Tamil Church 25 Karen Margaret Dance (PC) 26 Yoga (Parish Centre) MU service (Ch/Parish ctr) 27 mainly music Friendship Group Parish Council meeting 28 Eucharist Choir practice (Church) Meditation (Old Church) 1 Yoga (Parish Centre) World Day of Prayer (Church) TCCV Bible Study (rm 4) 2 Chinese Church 3 Epiphany 7 Book of Common Prayer Sung Eucharist Contemporary Eucharist Youth Group (off-site)	Readings: Exodus 34.29-35 Ps 99 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2 Luke 9.28-36 Stewards/Welcomers: BCP N Thevapalan Adam Thevapalan SE H Brown SS N Flora Gillian Leembruggen CE Jen Geoff Readers: BCP John Foster SE H Brown J Brown CE Fiona R Eucharistic/Chalice Assistance: BCP J de Lacy SE H Brown J Brown Sue Retschko G Smith CE Marg Geoff Intercessor: SE Helene Durkin CE Clergy
Tamil Christian Church services		Joyriver Chinese Church
2nd and 4th Sundays at 4.30pm		Saturdays at 6pm
mainly music continues to		Galahkookemu

lanny 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.

Galankookemu

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 9807 3168.

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The Revd Dianne Sharrock
The Revd Greg Wong
Becky Sims
Brian Copple
Helen Warren
Katherine Rushby
Graeme Dellora John Foster Judith Gibson
ard, Margaret Crawford, Rowena Ferguson, Doug nces Ludgate, Sherredan Maher, Peter Northwood,
Bruce Chugg Clergy The Vicar Rowena Ferguson
Syfret v Communion (Book of Common Prayer) g Eucharist (APBA) temporary Eucharist (Children's Participation) am Morning Prayer

Wednesday - Friday9.00amMorning PrayerThursday10.00amEucharist

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