

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

25 August 2019



Today is Refugee Sunday

We welcome Revd Dr Bob Mitchell (CEO of Anglican Overseas Aid)

- Guest preacher at all 3 services.

There will be a retiring offertory for their work at the Al Ahil Arab Hospital in the Gaza strip. This work involves working with disadvantaged women in Gaza to diagnose and educate around breast cancer. It is a free public service and many Palestinian refugee women access it. The program also involves social outreach to change men's attitudes towards women with cancer – which are often very unhelpful and unsupportive. Part of the work includes helping women to gain permission to leave Gaza (both from Hamas and Israel) when tertiary treatment is required; this can be a very difficult road to navigate.



At Worship Today:

7.45 am (Book of Common Prayer)
Presiding: The Venerable Dianne
Preaching: The Revd Bob Mitchell
Hymn: TIS 613 Lord of All Hopefulness

10.30 am (Contemporary Eucharist)
Presiding: The Venerable Dianne
Preaching: The Revd Bob Mitchell

**O God, the Judge of all,
through the saving blood of your Son
you have brought us to the heavenly Jerusalem
and given us a kingdom which cannot be shaken:
fill us with reverence and awe in your presence,
that in thanksgiving we and all your Church
may offer you acceptable worship;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives to intercede for us, now and for ever.
Amen.**

9.00 am (Sung Eucharist)

Presiding:

Preaching:

Liturgy Setting:

Processional:

Sentence:

First Reading:

Psalm Response:

A Prayer Book for Australia - page 119

The Venerable Dianne

The Revd Bob Mitchell

John Ross

TIS 613 Lord of All Hopefulness

You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust from my youth.

Upon you have I leaned since my birth.

Jeremiah 1.4-10



Text © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL. All rights reserved. Used with permission.
Music: Owen Alstott, © 1977, 1990, OCP. All rights reserved.

Psalm:

Ps 71.1- 6

Second Reading:

Hebrews 12.18-29

Gospel Acclamation:



Music: Owen Alstott, © 1977, 1990, OCP. All rights reserved.

Gospel:

Luke 13.10-17

Offertory:

TIS 614 O God of Love

Choir Anthem:

In This House by Marylu Hill

Recessional Hymn:

TIS 242 Lord of the Dance

First Reading: Jeremiah 1.4-10

4 Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,
5 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' 6 Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God ! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' 7 But the Lord said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. 8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord .' 9 Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. 10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

Second Reading: Hebrews 12.18-29

18 You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, 19 and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. 20 (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' 21 Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, 23 and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. 25 See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! 26 At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not

only the earth but also the heaven.' 27 This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. 28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; 29 for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Gospel Reading: Luke 13.10- 17

10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. 11 And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' 13 When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. 14 But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' 15 But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? 16 And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' 17 When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

PARISH PAPER

Graeme Dellora is the new Editor of the Parish Paper. Format to be decided. Seeking lots of content/ contributions from parishioners -- interesting travels ; faith journeys ; Ladies Guild and Mothers Union reports ; photos, etc.

Patronal Festival - Sunday 8th September 2019

This will be a joint service at 9.45 am to commemorate St Mary.

Bishop Graeme Rutherford will be our Guest Preacher.

Brunch will follow.



MEN'S FORUM

2pm TUESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

GUEST SPEAKER: REV WENDY PULLIN

TOPIC: "WALKING THE CAMINO"



WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING BACK THE REV WENDY AND WHAT A TREAT IS IN STORE FOR ALL INTERESTED PARISHIONERS TO JOIN WITH US FOR WHAT WILL BE A FASCINATING TOPIC.

DAVID DUNCAN

Come and Sing in The Choir for the Patronal Festival

If you love to sing, come and be part of the music ministry at St Stephen and St Mary's for our Patronal Festival on 8 September. There is no audition and you don't need to be able to sight-read music. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7:30 - 9:00, except for the Thursday before the third Sunday of the month. Please come and join us.

Brian Copple. Director of Music



MOTHERS' UNION

MU Australia
Part of the World Wide Mothers' Union

Our next meeting on **Monday August 26th** will be a special MULOA training day run by Provincial President Anne Kennedy and some others from the Diocesan MU committee. We have been asked to start at **12 noon** with people bringing their own lunch. MU will provide afternoon tea.

What does MULOA mean?

MU =Mothers' Union, **L**= listening , **O**=observing **A**=acting (in step with God) which is this year's MU theme. The training day will have several different activities with members (and their friends) having the opportunity to explore what this means for themselves, MU and the wider Church Community. The program includes a Bible study and plenty of time to talk with other people over afternoon tea. MU members have been invited from other groups in our region There will be the MU travelling suitcase shop, in case you want to buy books, cards, badges, tea towels etc. It should be a very stimulating and interesting afternoon. IDC

8 WEEKS TO GO! (until our Fete on October 19th)

ST STEPHEN'S & ST MARY'S



The countdown is on and there's lots happening behind the scenes towards this year's Spring Fete...

"How can I help?" I hear you all ask! Well there are lots of things you can do...

Books, CDs and DVDs

Jenny & Howard Brown will be running the Book Stall – and now is the perfect time to get an early start on your spring cleaning and go through your books, CDs and DVDs. Please box them up and have them ready for delivery to church – date TBA.

Gardening Delights

Maggie and Graeme Dellora have been potting like troopers throughout the last few months and will be running the plant and garden stall. If you have a green thumb or two, please take cuttings, grow seedlings, etc. If you have spare pots, please drop them at church – especially small ones – and if you need pots, please help yourself to them!

Face Painting – volunteers needed!

Are you a bit arty? Can you paint patterns and pictures on children's faces?

We need you! Please contact Fran (details below).

Toys & Games

Got any board games or old toys that are lying around not being used any more? We are looking for your donations of decent quality toys and games.

Treasure Trove

We don't want your trash – just your treasure! We are looking for your unwanted treasures – but please, not large items. Does it pass the 'Washing Basket Test'? If it would fit into a washing basket, it's good!

Have you volunteered yet?

If you are willing to be involved in some way, please put your name onto the 'Volunteer Form' on the noticeboard in the corridor opposite the kitchen.

Many Hands Make Light Work – the more of us who can do a little bit, the easier it will be for everyone. This is a great opportunity for all three congregations – and our Tamil and Chinese congregations – to all come together and to bring the local community into our church, so do get on board!

Please keep a look out in the weekly Pew Slip for more information and other ways you may be able to help.

Fran Ludgate, Fete Coordinator

AUSTRALIS CERTIFICATE NEXT SUBJECT BEGINNING SOON !

Have you recently visited the Holy Land and wished you knew more about the time of Jesus?

Are there parts of the New Testament which confuse you ?

Is this the time in your life when learning about the Gospels would interest you?

Do you enjoy discussing what you have read with other adults?

Would studying the New Testament strengthen your faith?

Could you commit about 2 hours a week to a stimulating and interesting study ?

Then *the Users Guide to the New Testament* will provide answers to most of these questions.

We will begin this subject in the first week in October, meeting for 2 hours per week on Tuesday nights for about 9 weeks.

We have a small number of vacancies for this subject so if you are interested, please let Rev Greg know as he will be leading this subject. You may wish to speak with one of the current students if you have any questions.



Bottles and Jars

Please note that any bottles and jars left at the church for Phoebe should be clean and have had their labels removed. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY OUR NEW TOILET PAPER?

The Mission and Social Justice Committee are selling rolls for \$1 each in the foyer by the orange door. It is 100% recycled and 50% of profits go to build toilets in the developing world.



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 4th September 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 12 September, 2019, 7.30 pm** in the Old Church, then on **26th September.**

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost - August 25, 2019	
7.45 am	Book of Common Prayer
9.00 am	Sung Eucharist
10.30 am	Contemporary Eucharist
3.00 - 7.30 pm	TCCV (Church)
Monday	26
12 noon - 3.30 pm	MU (Parish Centre)
4.30 - 8.45 pm	Karen Margaret Dance (PC)
Tuesday	27
9.30 - 11.00 am	Yoga (Parish Centre)
Wednesday	28
10.30 am - 12 noon	mainly music
10.30 am	Friendship Group
6.30 pm - 9.00 pm	Kiwanis (room 4)
Thursday	29
10.00 - 11.00 am	Eucharist
7.30 - 9.30 pm	Choir (Church)
7.30 pm	Turkey trip mtg (Parish Ctr)
Friday	30
Saturday	31
10.30 am - 1.00 pm	mainly music Fathers' Day
3.00 - 10.00 pm	Chinese Church
Sunday	1 Pentecost 11
7.45 am	Book of Common Prayer
9.00 am	Sung Eucharist
10.30 am	Contemporary Eucharist
3.30 - 6.30 pm	Thanksgiving mass (Bishop's College)

Next week: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost - September 1, 2019	
Readings:	
Jeremiah 2.4-13	
Ps 81.1, 10-16	
Hebrews 13.1- 8, 15- 16	
Luke 14.1, 7- 14	
Stewards/Welcomers:	
BCP	B de Lacy
	J de Lacy
SE	B Chugg
	G Leembruggen
	N Flora
CE	Liesl
	Doug
	David
Readers:	
BCP	J de Lacy
SE	J Bowers
	G Tait
CE	Jen G
Eucharistic/Chalice Assistance:	
BCP	B Gaffney
SE	V Dyke
	J Brown
	G Tait
	H Brown
CE	Judith
	Christine M
Intercessor:	
SE	Val Dyke
CE	Clergy

Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sundays at 4.30pm

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays at 6pm

mainly music continues to engage with young families. You are always welcome to come along and see what we 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

The Anglican Parish of St Stephen & St Mary Mount Waverley

383 High Street Road, Mt Waverley, 3149. Phone: 9807 3168

Office hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9.30am - 2.30pm

Email: parishoffice@stephenandmary.org.au Website: www.stephenandmary.org.au

'Like' us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/stephenandmary.mtwaverley

Priest

(Day off - Monday)

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

Assistant Curate

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

The Revd Greg Wong

Children's and Families' Minister

(Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm)

Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm)

Becky Sims

Music Director

Brian Copple

Treasurer

Helen 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 Chugg

Hospital Visiting:

Clergy

Funeral 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

All music is reproduced with permission under ONE LICENSE A-604739