

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Third Sunday in Lent

15 March 2020



Spirit of adventure, stir us to live boldly

1. Spirit of adventure, stir us to live boldly,
proud of the message we bear.
Make us true apostles, going where Christ sends us,
bringing forgiveness and care.

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*In our daily living, in our faithful loving,
teach us to spread the Good News to all,
in word and in action, in prayer and in service,
help us to answer Christ's call.*

2. Spirit of instruction, lead us in embracing
truth with our whole heart and mind,
exploring the scripture, learning from tradition,
eager to share what we find.

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3. Spirit of surprises, show us new directions,
bless us with grace as we go,
songs for the long journey, greetings to give strangers,
news of the Saviour we know.

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At Worship Today:

7.45 am (Book of Common Prayer)
Preaching & Presiding: Revd Greg
Hymn: TIS 585 I Heard the Voice of
Jesus Say

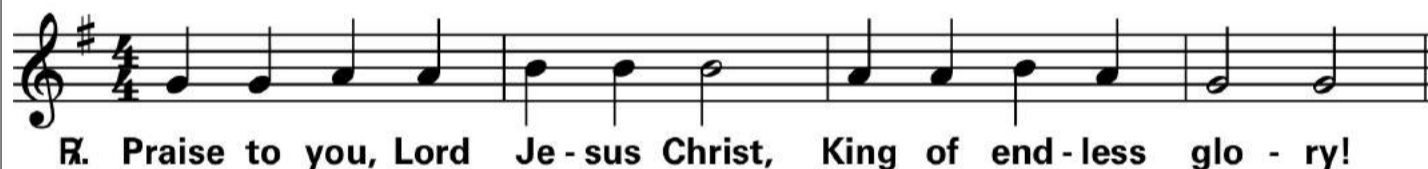
10.30 am (Contemporary Eucharist)
Preaching & Presiding: Revd Greg

**O God, the fountain of life,
to a humanity parched with thirst
you offer the living water that springs from the
Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ:
stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit,
that we may profess our faith with freshness
and announce with joy the wonder of your love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

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

9.00 am (Sung Eucharist)

Presiding: The Venerable Dianne Sharrock
Preaching: Revd Greg
Liturgy Setting: Diane Gome
Processional: TIS 585 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Trisagion: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have
mercy on us.
Sentence: 'The water that I will give,' says the Lord, 'will
become in you a spring of water welling up to eternal
life.'
First Reading: Exodus 17.1-7
Gradual Hymn: TIS 462 Now We Come, One in Glad Community
Second Reading: Romans 5.1-11
Gospel Acclamation:



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Gospel: John 4.5-42
Offertory: TIS 499 Lord Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts
Post-Communion Meditation: Holy Spirit
Recessional Hymn: Spirit of Adventure, Stir Us to Live Boldly (see front)
Tune: TIS 83

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

First Reading: Exodus 17.1-7

1 From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. 2 The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' 3 But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' 4 So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' 5 The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. 6 I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. 7 He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Second Reading: Romans 5.1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. 3 And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5 and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. 6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. 8 But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. 9 Much more surely then, now that

we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. 10 For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. 11 But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Gospel Reading: John 4.5-42

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. 7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. 8 (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' 11 The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' 13 Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' 15 The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' 16 Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' 17 The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' 19 The

woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. 20 Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' 21 Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. 22 You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' 25 The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' 26 Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.' 27 Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' 28 Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 29 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' 30 They left the city and were on their way to him. 31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' 32 But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' 33 So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' 34 Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. 35 Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. 36 The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. 37 For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." 38 I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.' 39 Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of

the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' 40 So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. 41 And many more believed because of his word. 42 They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

MU Australia
Part of the World Wide Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union Meetings in March

• MU celebrates Lady Day (The Feast of the Annunciation)

on Sunday March 22nd at St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne. The service begins at 2-30pm with the procession of MU banners.

Join us by travelling on the train to the city. Family and friends welcome.

• March meeting Mon. 23rd at 1-30

We have invited members of the Mothers' Union in Gippsland to update us on the Family Camps at Raymond Island which we supported in 2019. Hear how people are recovering from the recent bushfires.

There will be a chance to talk with our visitors over afternoon tea. All welcome.

• Knitting for those in need

If you like to knit or crochet, you are welcome join in this activity. Our MU group will be supporting the Diocesan project to knit beanies and mittens for the Mission to Seafarers, Adult sizes and colours please. Also we hope to knit or crochet covers for bassinets (about the size of a regular pillow case) and children's cots. Please do not use 100% wool as it felts when washed. We are collecting quilts or cot covers for children's hospital beds. Colourful fabric or knitted squares welcome.

Joan West is co-ordinating this project.

Irene Donohoue Clyne (Branch President)



The theme this week is Waste.

Our actions make a difference. By committing to small acts of justice we can make fundamental changes in the way we live. We can contribute to the legacy of an inhabitable, healthy and beautiful planet for future generations of people and animals.

Week 3 - Waste

Sunday 15 March	Monday 16 March	Tuesday 17 March	Wednesday 18 March	Thursday 19 March	Friday 20 March	Saturday 21 March
Take responsibility for your waste. Identify wasteful items you can eliminate from your daily habits. Waste can be reduced at the source by consuming fewer products.	Reusable always. Plastic water bottles will not decompose for thousands of years. Take away coffee cups cannot be recycled.	Bring your own bag. Keep a bag in your car or handbag and buy one for your friends – they make beautiful gifts.	Get to know the rules of recycling and share your learnings with your friends.	Start recycling soft plastics. Most Supermarkets have soft plastic 'drop off' points. You will be amazed at how much is used for packaging.	Repair don't replace. Repairing can involve an investment of time and money but it will minimise your physical waste and can often mean long-term money savings as well!	Spring Clean your cupboards! Clear out your wardrobe and give away to someone in need.

In his hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of every human being (Job 12:10)

Social Justice and Mission Committee Lent 2020

ALMS BASKETS

We are looking for one or more volunteers to share the delivery of the weekly collection of food to Waverley Monash Community Information and Services (MWCIS). Their premises are located at the rear of the Mt Waverley Community Centre and open from 9.30am to 4.30pm weekdays. An average collection fits inside 2 - 3 shopping bags. There is a short term car space right at the door. If you can help please speak to Marg Taylor

GARDENING GROUP



Next Saturday 21st March, the Garden Group will convene to spruce up the church grounds. 9.30am onwards. Please stay for a cuppa and a chat afterwards.
Enquiries : Maggie and Graeme Dellora

THREE THINGS FROM THE FEBRUARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1. Formation of an Education Committee (chaired by David Bruce) to brainstorm ideas, co-ordinate and advertise educational activities for the parish.
2. *mainly music* starting back in March (delayed start due to coronavirus)
3. Parish Council is working on a new Mission Action Plan (MAP). MAPS cover a period of 3 years.

Bishopscourt event

The Archbishop's residence, Bishopscourt, opens up its gardens 10:00am-4:30pm on 28th and 29th March. For \$8 there will be tours, as well as Devonshire teas, handcrafts, and plants for sale. Please see the brochures in the Parish Centre.

Friends of Anglican Music

"The Cross of Christ"

Sunday 29th March 2020

Practice 1.45 pm Service 4.00pm

St John's the Evangelist Malvern East

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 1st April 2020.**

Parishioner Survey

The Parish Council is



issuing a survey to assess Parishioner involvement with the church and their views on future activities in the church. Information gathered by the survey will assist both in the formation of the next Mission Action Plan and in longer term planning in the Parish. Survey forms will be available in the Narthex after the services, and will be e-mailed to those who prefer it delivered that way. Individual replies will be anonymous and treated confidentially. We ask for your cooperation and forbearance in this exercise and would appreciate return of the survey forms by the end of March. Many thanks.

Lent in Jumbunna

Bp Paul Barker's Lenten Talks 2020

Isaiah's Servant Songs

Sundays at 6pm at Christ Church Dingley

March 15, 22, 29; April 5

Wednesdays at 8pm

at Holy Name Vermont South

March 18, 25; April 1, 8



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 9th April 2020, 7.30 pm in the Old Church, then on 23rd April; 26th March session is cancelled.**


Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Third Sunday in Lent	
- March 15, 2020	
7.45 am	Book of Common Prayer
9.00 am	Sung Eucharist
10.30 am	Contemporary Eucharist
5.30 - 8.30 pm	Youth Group (Parish Ctr/Old Church)
Monday	
4.00 - 8.45 pm	Karen Margaret Dance
Tuesday	
9.30 - 11.00 am	Yoga (Parish Centre)
2.00 - .3.00 pm	Lenten Study (Old Church)
6.00 - 8.15 pm	Lent Session (Parish Ctr)
7.00 - 9.00 pm	Amnesty Intl (room 4)
Wednesday	
10.30 am	mainly music
7.30 pm	Parish Council
Thursday	
10.00 am	Thursday Eucharist & brunch
7.30 - 9.00 pm	Choir (Church)
Friday	
Saturday	
9.00 am	Gardening Group
1.00 - 4.00 pm	TCCV Choir (Old Church)
3.00 - 10.00 pm	Chinese Church
Sunday	
7.45 am	Book of Common Prayer
9.00 am	Sung Eucharist
10.30 am	Contemporary Eucharist
2.00 - 4.30 pm	TCCV Choir (Old Church)
3.00 - 8.00 pm	TCCV family service

Next week: Fourth Sunday in Lent	
- March 22, 2020	
Readings:	
1 Samuel 16.1-13	
Ps 23	
Ephesians 5.8-14	
John 9.1-41	
Stewards/Welcomers:	
BCP G Le Huray	
D Hastings	
SE H Brown SS	
Y Lancaster	
S Lieversz	
CE Tony	
Rowena	
Readers:	
BCP F Miller	
SE G Leembruggen	
E U'Ren	
CE Rowena	
Eucharistic/Chalice Assistance:	
BCP F Miller	
SE A Blanchard	
S Blanchard	
Y Lancaster	
V Dyke	
CE Christina M	
Miriam	
Intercessor:	
SE V Dyke	
CE Judith	


Tamil Christian Church services
2nd and 4th Sundays at 4.30pm

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.



Joyriver Chinese Church
Saturdays at 6pm

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

(Day off - Monday)

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock
Emergency contact

Assistant Curate

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

The Revd Greg Wong
Emergency contact

Children's and Families' Minister

(Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm, Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm, Sun 10.30 am - 12.30 pm)

Lisa Eames

Child Safety Compliance Officer

Elaine Fasken

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Brian Copple

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Graeme Dellora
John Foster
Judith Gibson

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Sugan Blanchard, David Bruce, Margaret Crawford, Rowena Ferguson,
Nathan Kelly, Jennifer Gracie, Frances Ludgate, Sherredan Maher,
Helen Warren.

Pastoral Care Ministry:

Aged Care Chaplaincies:

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

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