THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 5 July 2020



The ordinary acts we practice every day at home are of more importance to the soul than their simplicity might suggest.

Thomas More

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the people of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

This parish is committed to Child Safety and complies with Diocesan and State requirements. This is a shared responsibility of staff and parish. Please see the back of pew leaflet for contact details.

At Worship Today:

Almighty God,

your Son Jesus Christ has taught us

that what we do for the least of his brothers and sisters

we do also for him:

give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all,

who gave up his life and died for us;

yet lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

9.45 am (Sung Eucharist)

Preaching & Presiding: The Ven. Dianne

Liturgy Setting: Alison Washington's Holy Communion in D

Processional: 'All the hungry, all the thirsty' Tune TIS 152 v.1-3

Sentence: 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying

heavy burdens, and I will give you rest,' says the Lord.

'Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am

gentle and humble in heart.'

First Reading:

Zechariah 9.9-12

Gospel Acclamation:



Gospel: Matthew 11.15-19,25-30
Offertory: 'Holy Spirit, Living Water'

Lord's Prayer: Alison Washington

Choir Anthem: A Medley of Christian songs

set and arranged by Alison Washington for mission with the

former Archbishop of Melbourne

Recessional Hymn: TIS 655 'O, let the Son of God enfold you'

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The Coming Ruler of God's People

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle-bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

TMA—July edition



Printed copies of the July issue of TMA available for collection from the Vicar's porch.

Alternatively an electronic copy can be downloaded at: http://

tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11.15-19,25-30

15 Let anyone with ears listen! 16'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, 17 "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn."18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; 19 the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'25 At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants;26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 28 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Roster for July 2020

12/7 Pentecost 6

Readings

Gen 3:1-15 Howard Brown

Matthew 13: 1 - 9, 18 - 23

Intercessions Joan West

19/7 Pentecost 7

<u>Readings</u>

Gen 6:9-22 John Russell

Matthew 13: 24 - 30, 36 - 43

Intercessions Jenny Bowers

26/7 Pentecost 8

Readings

Gen 12:1-9 Judith Gibson

Matthew 13: 44 - 58

Intercessions Val Dyke

Thank You!

Please contact Joan West

if you are able to help.

From Your Vicar

It was so nice to be able to see my mum last week and David and I also got to visit all of our brothers and sisters as well. We had to go through the 'hoops' though to get into the Aged Care Facility where mum lives. But this is all designed to see them safe. Mum, at 93, is very well and keen to hear about the great grandchildren and grandchildren and all that we have been doing. I was able to tell her about the things of I have discovered about her family tree she has a French side that she didn't know about and also a female author who wrote 7 or 8 books back in the early 1800's. She thought that was all fascinating!! So, did I for that matter! When I was going to the Aged Care Facility and all that we had to do to be able to visit made me think of this Gospel text for today and how I should be 'humble' before the people that were asking all the questions and wanting to see our postcode and Flu inoculation records etc. The word 'humility' comes from the Latin for 'soil'. Humility is not about being shy or quiet or taking a back seat; it is about recognising our origins and not becoming so 'learned and clever' that we get too big for our boots. To be like 'mere children' is to have that sense of wonder and awe at things bigger than ourselves. What are the experiences that produce a response of awe in you? I think the delight of grandchildren and watching their sense of awe and wonder makes me feel very humble – I delight at their awe and wonder and wish I could be more like them!! In your life, within your family or workplace, do you know someone who is burdened and weighed down by cares and concerns? Can you find ways to ease that burden this week? Did you know?

The prayer of blessing which Jesus makes in this Gospel is known as a barakah. It is the basis of Jewish prayers of praise and thanksgiving. In our liturgy we use the berekah form just before the Eucharistic Prayer: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to offer....to which we all respond: Blessed be God forever.

Pax (peace) Dianne

Returning to Services Survey

We would like to hear your current thoughts about returning to services in-person, so we have put together a short survey which should take you no longer than 5 minutes.

Your answers will assist the Parish Council and Clergy with planning in order to best meet our parish needs, as well as comply with COVID-19 protocols of the Diocese and guidelines of the State and Federal Governments.

Please respond to the survey by next week, Sunday 12th July.

You answer the questions online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DDPR3SW

Paper copies are available.

PROCESSIONAL

'All the hungry, all the thirsty'

- 1. All the hungry, all the thirsty, all who look for strength may come, all the needy, all the lonely, all who long to find a home. Here's a door that's always open, here a table spread for all, here a welcome, here a family, here your heart can heed God's call.
- 2. All the gifted, all the joyful, all whose hope is strong, come too; come with overflowing blessings, come with treasures old and new. Here's a task that needs those riches, here good news is always heard, here a living faith grows bolder, here your voice can speak God's word.
- 3. All the gifts of all God's people, all the struggles, all the pain, all the Spirit-sent abundance, all the grief and loss and gain brought together in one Body, burdens lighten, joys increase, and together we can ask for Jesus' strength and Jesus' peace.

words: Elizabeth J. Smith

OFFERTORY HYMN

'Holy Spirit, Living Water'

- Holy Spirit, living water, flow in us and set us free. Cleanse our unbelief and sorrow, wash our eyes and make us see.
- 2. Holy Spirit, come as wind and blow the dust of death away.

 Breathe the gift of life into us, lighten hearts to laugh and play.

- 3. Holy Spirit, rushing fire, burn with truth and justice here. Catch our minds alight with passion, perfect love that casts out fear.
- 4. Holy Spirit, come in silence, wordlessly to heal and bless.

 Be the heart that prays within us, fill the void with tenderness.
- Holy Spirit, blessèd Wisdom, teach us all of God's delight.
 Offer us the wine of grace and make us children of the Light.

words: Elizabeth J. Smith

RECESSIONAL TIS 655 'O, let the Son of God enfold you'

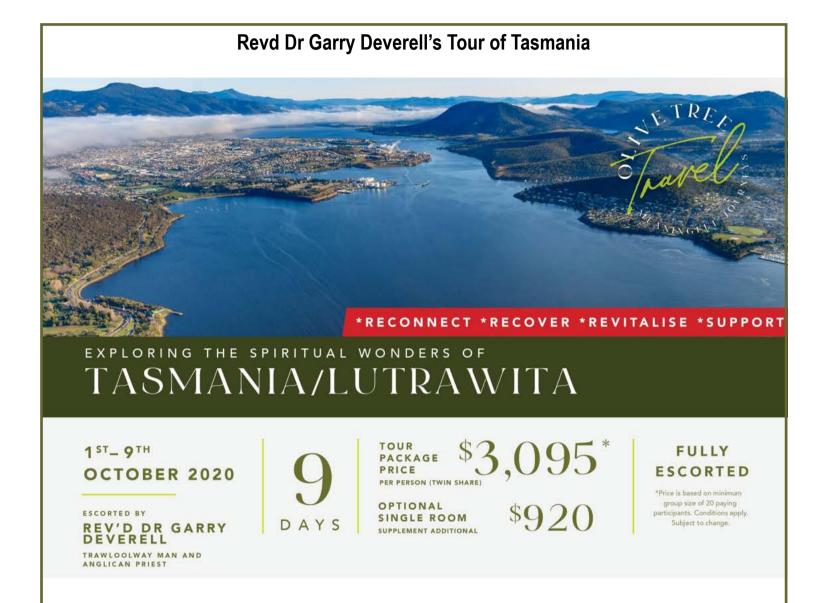
1. O, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love; let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul; O, let him have the things that hold you and his Spirit, like a dove, will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill our lives; Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill our lives.

- 2. O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy; lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name;
 - O, give him all your tears and sadness, give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name;

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill our lives; Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill our lives.

> John Wimber 1934-97



Full itinerary available on request. Next step:

- 1. Contact Revd Dr Garry Deverell or the team at Olive Tree Travel to register your interest and obtain a booking form.
- 2. To secure your place on the trip a refundable deposit of \$200** per person will be required by 3rd August 2020 (unless sold prior).
- 3. Once you have registered your interest, we will contact you to arrange an online information session via zoom. Details will be provided.
- ** If Covid-10 related restrictions are in place that do not allow travel, the trip will be cancelled/postponed 2 weeks prior to departure and payments will be returned in full.

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ALMS BASKETS.

Thank you to everyone who has been continuing with their donations to the Asylum Seekers basket during lockdown.

Monash Council have just relaxed some of its restrictions and as a result the MWCIS has reopened with reduced opening hours. There will now be an Alms Basket for both Asylum Seekers and MWCIS in the front porch of the Vicarage to receive donations.

Most needed items are breakfast cereal, UHT milk, tea, coffee, pasta and pasta sauce. Thank you from the Social Justice and Mission Group.



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Afternoon Meditation Gathering

On the 1st Wednesday of each month is still being offered during the Coronavirus in our own homes. We keep the same time in our own homes from 2.30 pm – 3.30 pm.

If you are Interested in joining with other parishioners please contact Val and the meditation we will reflect on together will be sent to you. **Our next gathering is Wednesday 5th August.**

Evening Meditation Gatherings

On the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month meditation sessions are offered, via Zoom, in the Contemplative Traditions of Christian Meditation. The sessions start at 7.30pm but you can enter into the gathering after 7.15pm. Interested parishioners can contact Michael Mosley for more information. The next session will be on **Thursday 9th July** then on **Thursday 23rd July**.

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Priest The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

(Day off - Monday)

Assistant Curate The Revd Greg Wong

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

Children's and Families' Minister Lisa Eames

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

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Contemporary Eucharist Contact: Rowena Ferguson

Spiritual Directors: Cath Connelly

Val Dyke

Prayer Chain contact Margaret Syfret

SERVICE: Sunday 9.45 am

The Church Office is now **closed.** If you wish to continue to bring food items for the Asylum Seekers or MWCIS and/or your offertory, they can be left in Dianne's front porch.