

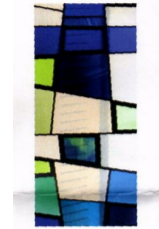
THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Feast of St Francis

4 October 2020



For the animal shall not be measured by man. In a world older and more complete than ours, they move finished and complete, gifted with the extension of the senses we have lost or never attained, living by voices we shall never hear. They are not brethren, they are not underlings: they are other nations, caught with ourselves in the net of life and time, fellow prisoners of the splendour and travail of the earth.”

— Henry Beston

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:

O God, by whose gift Saint Francis was conformed to Christ in poverty and humility, grant that, by walking in Francis' footsteps, we may follow your Son, and, through joyful charity, come to be united with you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

9.45 am (Sung Eucharist)

Preaching & Presiding: The Venerable Dianne
Liturgy Setting: Marty Haugen 'Mass of Creation'
Processional: 'For the beauty of the earth'
Sentence: The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.
First Reading: Jeremiah 22.13-16
Gospel Acclamation:



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Gospel: Matthew 11.25-30
Offertory: 'Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord'
Lord's Prayer (sung): Routledge setting
Communion Song: "All Things bright and Beautiful" by John Rutter.
Recessional Hymn: TIS 607 'Make me a Channel of your Peace'

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First Reading: Jeremiah 22.13-16

13 Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness, and his upper rooms by injustice; who makes his neighbours work for nothing, and does not give them their wages; 14 who says, 'I will build myself a spacious house with large upper rooms', and who cuts out windows for it, panelling it with cedar, and painting it with vermilion. 15 Are you a king because you compete in cedar? Did not your father eat and drink and do justice and righteousness? Then it was well with him. 16 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Is not this to know me? says the Lord.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11.25-30

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.'

"3 THINGS" FROM THE SEPTEMBER ZOOM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**1. Budget**

The Budget for 2020-21 was passed by Parish Council and will be presented to the Annual Meeting.

2. Annual meeting via Zoom

Due to a request from the Diocese to hold parish Annual Meetings as late in November as possible, we have moved our meeting to the last Sunday in November (November 29). This will start after the service at approx. 11.15am giving people time to make a coffee beforehand.

3. The Rev'd Greg Wong - reappointment

We are very pleased to announce that Greg will be staying with us as our Assistant Curate for 2021.

From Your Vicar

This is a story that I'd like to share with you that I received through the Benedictine Oblates newsletter. It's one that I think is most appropriate for this time.

"The young man had lost his job and didn't know which way to turn. So he went to see the old preacher. Pacing about the preacher's study, the young man ranted about his problem. Finally he clenched his fist and shouted, "I've begged God to say something to help me. Tell me, Preacher, why doesn't God answer?" The old preacher, who sat across the room, spoke something in reply – something so hushed it was inaudible. The young man stepped across the room. "What did you say?" he asked. The preacher repeated himself, but again in a tone as soft as a whisper. So the young man moved closer until he was leaning on the preacher's chair. "Sorry," he said. "I still didn't hear you." With their heads bent together, the old preacher spoke once more. "God sometimes whispers," he said, "so we will move closer to hear Him." This time the young man heard and he understood. We all want God's voice to thunder through the air with the answer to our problem. But God's is the still, small voice; the gentle whisper. Perhaps there's a reason. Nothing draws human focus quite like a whisper. God's whisper means I must stop my ranting and move close to Him, until my head is bent together with His. And then, as I listen, I will find my answer. Better still, I find myself closer to God."

(Mark Rebello, Hong Kong)

Pax (Peace),
Dianne

Daylight saving starts on Sunday

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour on Saturday night.

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Help us to build a safer and more supportive Anglican Church for people who have experienced domestic violence. Join a research project aimed to help improve church practices. If you have had an experience of domestic violence and a current or previous link with the Anglican Church, please share your perspective. The online survey is anonymous and anyone can take part. Go to surveys.ncls.org.au/NAFVP/experience to find out more.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN
'For the Beauty of the Earth!'

1. For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,
over and around us lies:
*Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise.*
2. For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower
sun and moon and stars of light,
sun and moon and stars of light:
*Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise.*
3. For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild,
for all gentle thoughts and mild:
*Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise.*
4. For each perfect gift of thine,
To our race so freely given
Graces human and divine,
flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
*Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise.*

words by F.S. Pierpoint (1835-1917) .

OFFERTORY HYMN
'Be Still for the Presence of the Lord'

1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear;
in Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the holy One is here.

2. Be still for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire;
with splendour He is crowned;
how awesome is the sight?
Our radiant King of Light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
3. Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him,
in faith receive from Him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

David Evans

RECESSIONAL HYMN
TIS 607 'Make me a Channel of your Peace'

1. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

2. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring
hope;
where there is darkness, let me bring your
light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

3. Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Johann Sebastian Templehoff
1928 - 1997



Roster for October

Sunday 11 October – Pentecost 19

Exodus 32: 1 – 14 Ron Ritchie

Matthew 22: 1 – 14

Intercessor Judith Gibson

Sunday 18 October – Pentecost 20

Exodus 33: 12 – 23 Jenny Brown

Matthew 22: 15 – 33

Intercessor Christine Mallouhi

Sunday 25 October – Pentecost 21

Deuteronomy 34: 1 – 12 Sue Retschko

Matthew 22: 34 – 46

Intercessor Michael Mosely

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 7th October.**

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 8th October** then on **Thursday 22nd October.**

NOTICE OF PARISH GENERAL MEETING 2020

Our Parish General Meeting will be held on **Sunday, November 29 at 11.15am (after our service)** - at this stage via Zoom

Group Reports

Although Parish groups have been unable to meet for the majority of 2020, it is requested that groups prepare a report for the Parish Annual Report covering the period October 2019 until the end of March 2020. Reports are due to the Parish Office no later than **Friday October 30**.

Please send your reports to parishoffice@stephenandmary.org.au

Electoral Roll

If you are unsure if you are on the electoral roll, please email Katherine in the Parish Office to check. If you are not on the roll and would like to be, please check that you fulfill the criteria (below) and ask Katherine for an enrolment form to be emailed to you.

Nominations

Further details about nominations for Wardens, Parish Council and Incumbency Committee will be included in the pew sheet in the coming weeks. Please start to think and pray about these nominations.

ROWENA FERGUSON

Secretary, Parish Council

CRITERIA FOR BEING ADDED TO PARISH ELECTORAL

- I am 18 years of age or older
- I have been baptised
- I am a member of the Anglican Church of Australia by attending regularly (at least 12 times in preceding 12 months, and at least 3 times in the 3 months prior to the Annual Meeting)
- I do not belong to any religious body which is not in communion with the Anglican Church of Australia
- I seek to be entered on the parish roll of this parish, and wish to be removed from the roll of the parish in which I am currently enrolled (if you are, we can organise a letter requesting you be removed from that roll - please ask Katherine for this)
- I do/do not (delete as applicable) consent to details of my postal address and my email address being on the parish roll exhibited prior to statutory parish meetings and available for inspection

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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, Sun 10.30 am - 12.30 pm)	Lisa Eames
Child Safety Compliance Officer	Elaine Fasken
Covid19 Compliance Officer	Sugan Blanchard
Music Director	Brian Copple
CE Music Coordinator	Greg Ellsmore
Treasurer	Helen Warren
Office Manager	Katherine Rushby
Churchwardens:	Graeme Dellora John Foster Judith Gibson
Parish Council:	Sugan Blanchard, David Bruce, Margaret Crawford, Rowena Ferguson, Jennifer Gracie, Nathan Kelly, Frances Ludgate, Sherredan Maher, Helen Warren.
Pastoral Care Ministry:	
<i>Aged Care Chaplaincies:</i>	
<i>Hospital Visiting:</i>	Clergy
<i>Funeral Ministry:</i>	The Vicar
<i>Contemporary Eucharist Contact:</i>	Rowena Ferguson
Spiritual Directors:	Cath Connelly Val Dyke
Prayer Chain contact	Margaret Syfret
SERVICE:	Sunday 9.45 am