#### THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

**MOUNT WAVERLEY** 

**WELCOME** 

### Fourth Sunday of Easter 25 April 2021 - ANZAC DAY





Lest We Forget

#### 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:

8.00 am

Preaching & Presiding: Revd Greg

Hymn: TIS 607 'Channel of Peace'

O God, our ruler and guide,

in whose hands are the destinies of this and every nation, we give you thanks for the freedoms we enjoy in this land and for those who laid down their lives to defend them:

We pray that we and all the people of Australia,

gratefully remembering their courage and their sacrifice, may have grace to live in a spirit of justice,

of generosity, and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### 10.00 am

Presiding:

Preaching: Cantor:

Liturgy Setting:

Processional:

Sentence:

Ven Dianne

Revd Greg

Sally Hibbert

Curtis Stephan

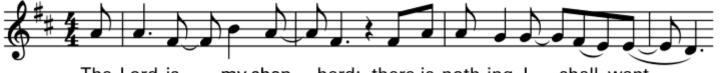
TIS 315 'Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory' v.1, 3 & 4 'No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends,' says the Lord, 'if you do what I command you.'

Hebrews 10: 32 - 11. 1

First Reading:

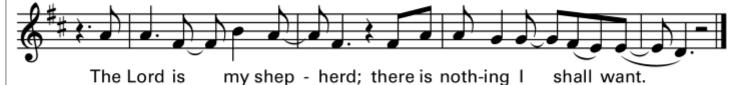
Psalm Response:

Josh Blakesley



The Lord is

my shep - herd; there is noth-ing I shall want.



1. He lets me rest in open fields so green.

He leads me to the quiet streams.

He gives me strength

and guides me in his ways.

He renews his promises each day.

He is my guide, my shepherd and my king, and in my fear he offers peace. Though I walk through the valley,

I will not be afraid.

You will protect me; I'll be saved.

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Psalm:

Ps 23

Gospel Acclamation:



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Gospel: John 15.9-17

Offertory: TIS 552 'Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life'

Communion Meditation: 'Shepherd Me, O God' Composer Marty Haugen

Recessional Hymn: TIS 607 'Make Me a Channel of Your Peace'

First Reading: Hebrews 10: 32 - 11. 1

32 But recall those earlier days when, after you had been enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, 33 sometimes being publicly exposed to abuse and persecution, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. 34 For you had compassion for those who were in prison, and you cheerfully accepted the plundering of your possessions, that you yourselves knowina possessed something better and more lasting. 35 Do not, therefore, abandon that confidence of yours; it brings a great reward. 36 For you need endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, you may receive what promised. 37 For yet 'in a very little while, the one who is coming will come and will not delay; 38 but my righteous one will live by faith. My soul takes no pleasure in anyone who shrinks back.' 39 But we are not among those who shrink back and so are lost, but among those who have faith and so are saved.11 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Gospel Reading: John 15.9-17

9 As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. 10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11 I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 12 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. 16 You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. 17 I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

#### From your Assistant Curate

We can think of many stories of our heroes during war times giving up their lives for the sake of their nation. They die so that others may live - they win a freedom today from oppression and tyranny.

In John chapter 10, the Lord Jesus repeatedly refers to himself as the good shepherd. Like noble soldiers, he is a good shepherd because he benevolently lays down his life for the sake of his flock. Like noble soldiers, he wins freedom for those who believe, from the oppression and tyranny of slavery. For we were once dead in our trespasses, but rejoice as we now have no condemnation in Christ Jesus. So we are now free from the ultimate slavery: the bonds of sin. Our good shepherd ensures this precisely by laying down his life of his own accord, proving he is the perfectly obedient shepherd God had long promised (cf. Ezek 34). So Jesus says and shows in his example, "No one has greater love that this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13)

May we not take for granted the freedom our nation has because of the sacrifice others have made for us, and so remind us not to take for granted the full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice that Christ has made to win us freedom, bringing us to God.

Grace and peace,

Rev'd Grea

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN 'Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory'

1. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;

he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;

he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:

his truth is marching on.

Glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah, his truth is marching on.

2.In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,

with a glory in his bosom which transfigures you and me:

as he died to make us holy, let us live to make all free,

while God is marching on.

Glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah, while God is marching on.

3.He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;

he is wisdom to the mighty; he is succour to the brave:

so the world shall be his foot-stool, and the soul of time his

slave:

our God is marching on.

Glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah, glory, glory, hallelujah, our God is marching on.

Julia Ward Howe 1819-1910 and others

## OFFERTORY HYMN 'Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life'

- 1.Come, my way, my truth, my life, such a way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife, such a life as killeth death.
- 2.Come, my light, my feast, my strength, such a light as shows a feast, such a feast as mends in length,

such a strength as makes his guest.

3.Come, my joy, my love, my heart, such a joy as none can move, such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.

George Herbert 1593-1633

## RECESSIONAL HYMN '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....

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 Tempelhoff 1928 - 97

# <u>Ladies Guild</u> <a href="#">Opportunity Shop Week</a>

The Ladies Guild will operating The Lions Club Opportunity Shop in Wadham Parade, Mount Waverley from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

Could you please put aside any saleable items for delivery to the shop on Tuesday 27th April.

#### Congregational Giving Report 1st JANUARY to 31st MARCH 2021

Giving Category	Amount Given	Budget Amount	Variation from Budget
Open	1,869	400	+ 1,469
Envelopes	11,914	2,000	+ 9,914
Direct to Bank Account	18,148	21,000	- 2,852
ADF Planned Giving	21,827	22,500	- 673
TOTALS	53,758	45,900	+ 7,858

Thank you from the Wardens for your continued generosity.

#### CAR BOOT SALE -- SAT 23rd OCTOBER 2021

Still plenty of car spaces available! Bring your car-load of items -- and take home what you do not sell. A great fund-raiser for the Parish -- and a bonding experience for parishioners.

The Wardens need to know numbers by Wed 12th May. We ask all interested participants to

contact either -- Office Manager Katherine Rushby;

John Foster:

Graeme Dellora:

Sue Retschko.

#### WINTER WOOLIES APPEAL

During the month of May the Social Justice Committee are seeking donations of winter woollies for distribution to the homeless through St Mark's Fitzroy and to the Asylum Seekers at Dandenong.

Donations can be left in the Narthex or in the foyer by the orange door.

Items can be new or good quality, clean second-hand goods.

Suggested items: Blankets, Sleeping Bags, Coats, Jumpers, Track Pants,

Beanies, Scarves, Gloves, New Underwear or socks



#### AUSTRALIS CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Do you believe that Henry VIII began the Church of England / Anglican Church? Have you heard about St. Hilda, the nun who was in charge of male & female monasteries at the same time?



Did you know that Charles Wesley was a Church of England minister?

Who was the anchorite Julian of Norwich? What is an anchorite?

How did the Church of England become the Anglican Church of Australia?

If you are interested in any of these questions or have questions of your own, perhaps you would like to join the Australis Program which is restarting after the Corona Pandemic Lock Down? This program is based on adult learning, using what you know or want to know as a starting point. Assignments are optional. Many of us in this program have learned amazing things about the scriptures and our own faith.

We intend to meet on Tuesday evenings beginning early in May . The comprehensive study book , costing \$60, which includes most of the resources you need, has to ordered and printed in Bendigo, so we need to order extra copies soon. Please speak with Irene Donohoue Clyne for more information or email (check parish directory)



#### Social Gathering/Hopper Night

We are planning a hopper night for Friday 7th May at 6.30pm \$20 per adult, \$10 for children 10 yrs and under.

There will also be a raffle. Tickets will be on sale next week

after both services. Kids' movie will be shown in Old Church.



#### MISSION BOX COLLECTION

The long-awaited mission box changeover will happen on 2nd, 9th and 16th May 2021 when full Mission Boxes will be collected and exchanged for empty boxes.

#### 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 12th May 2021.

The Thursday Evening Meditation Group

We continue to meet on Zoom on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of the month at 7.30pm. Our next session will be on May 13 at 7.30pm. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions or enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley. The session following May 13 will be May 27 at 7.30pm.

# Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Easter

- April 25, 2021 - ANZAC Day

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Eucharist with Kids Church

Monday 26

1.30 - 4.00 pm MU (Parish Centre)

4.00 - 8.45 pm Karen Margaret Dance

<u>Tuesday</u> 27

7.45 - 9.15 pm Chundikuli Old Girls (Church)

Wednesday 28

10.30 am-12.00 pm mainly music (Old Church)

6.30 - 9.30 pm Kiwanis (Old Church)

<u>Thursday</u> 29

10.00 am Thursday Eucharist

7.30 pm Choir Practice (Church)

<u>Friday</u> 30

Saturday 1

3.00 - 10.00 pm Chinese Church

Sunday 2 Easter 4

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Eucharist with Kids Church

Galahkookemu: Following the path of Benedict in modern life.

We will meet on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7pm at Mitcham until further notice. We welcome

newcomers. Visit and see if this is for you. Contact Christine Mallouhi

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Tamil Christian Church services
2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

Next week: Fifth Sunday of Easter
- May 2, 2021 - ANZAC DAY

8am

Server Joanne Burns

Welcomers Shanti Lieversz Celia Gant

Reader Janice Miller

1 John 4: 7-21

<u> 10am</u>

Welcomers Sugan Blanchard

Arunthy Blanchard

Reader Sally Hibbert

1 John 4: 7 – 21

Intercessor Graeme Dellora

Covid Cleaning Roster

Sunday 25th April

8.00am Doug Hastings

Ruth Hastings

10.00am Zelda Williams

Anne Richardson

Thursday 29th April

10.00am John Foster

Sunday 2nd May

8.00am Shanti Lieversz

Darrell Lieversz

10.00am Helen Warren

Margaret Crawford

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays from 3pm

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**Priest** 

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

(Day off - Monday)

The Revd Greg Wong **Assistant Curate** 

(Day off - Monday)

Lisa Fames 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)

Elaine Fasken **Child Safety Compliance Officer** 

**Covid19 Compliance Officer** Sugan Blanchard

**Music Director** Brian Copple

**Treasurer** Helen Warren

Katherine Rushby Office Manager Churchwardens:

Graeme Dellora

John Foster Sue Retschko

**Parish Council:** Sugan Blanchard, David Bruce, Margaret Crawford, Rowena

Ferguson, Judith Gibson, Jennifer Gracie, Nathan Kelly,

Sherredan Maher, Helen Warren, Joan West

**Pastoral Care Ministry:** 

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 8.00 & 10.00 am

Thursday 10.00 am