

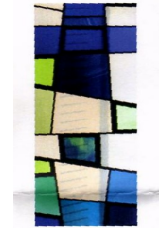
THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Pentecost

23 May 2021



Prayer For Our Community

Loving God, you fill all things with a fullness and hope that we can never comprehend. Thank you for leading us into a time where more of reality is being unveiled for us all to see. We pray that you will take away our natural temptation for cynicism, denial, fear and despair. Help us have the courage to awaken to greater truth, greater humility, and greater care for one another. May we place our hope in what matters and what lasts, trusting in your eternal presence and love. Amen.

- Richard Rohr

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,
you sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love, joy, and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

9.30 am

Presiding: Ven Dianne
Preaching: Revd Greg
Cantor: Fran Ludgate
Liturgy Setting: Curtis Stephan
Processional: TIS 666 'We Are Marching'
Sentence: 'A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you,' says the Lord God; 'I will put my spirit within you and you shall live.'
First Reading: Acts 2.1-21
Psalm Response:



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Psalm: Ps 104.26-36
Second Reading: Romans 8.22-27
Gospel Acclamation:



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Gospel: John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15
Offertory: 'Holy Spirit' by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty
Communion: TIS 491 'Father Welcomes All His Children'
Choir Anthem: 'At the Still Point of the Universe' - Alfred Fedak
Recessional: TIS 631 'Father, Lord of all Creation' *Tune TIS 153*

First Reading: Acts 2.1-21

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Second Reading: Romans 8.22-27

22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; 23 and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. 26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. 27 And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Gospel Reading: John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

Jesus spoke to his disciples 26 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. 27 You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. 4 But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.' I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: 9 about sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no

longer; 11 about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 12 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

GLENN LOUGHREY - LOVE LETTERS TO COUNTRY

**1st June - 31st August @ Hearth Galleries
208 Maroondah Hwy, Healesville**

Exhibition launch will also include the launch of Glenn's book "On being Blackfella's Young Fella" (Coventry Press) on Saturday 5th of June at 2pm.

More than a word. Reconciliation takes action

I draw your attention to National Reconciliation Week. See the website below for details of events and resources.

At a Reconciliation Evensong on 27 May (5.10pm) at St Pauls' Cathedral Revd Glenn Loughrey will preach about the contexts and meanings in his recent art works, which will be on display.

Our diocese is reframing its action plan for reconciliation under the leadership of Bishop Kate Prowd. I encourage parishes who want to engage – or already are – in reconciliation planning and action in the diocese to join Bishop Kate and the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Working Group of Archbishop in Council.

<https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/2021/03/23/more-than-a-word-reconciliation-takes-action/>

MOTHERS UNION NEWS

At our next meeting on **Monday May 24th in the parish Centre from 1-30pm**. we will be hearing about *St. Kilda Mums*,

an organisation which helps new mothers and families in difficult circumstances by providing material aid and support.

Our June meeting on **Monday June 28th 12 noon** will be our birthday celebration with a casserole lunch and an impressive speaker.

Dr. Gwenda Davey, early childhood educator, folklorist, refugee activist and author will be speaking about her research

on the history of Childhood in Australia. We will meet at 12 noon for lunch, followed by our speaker. As this is our fundraising event for MU's *PNG Positive Parenting Project*, guests will be asked to donate \$20 to this project.

Please join us if you are able to.

More information from Branch president Irene Donohoue Clyne

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'We Are Marching'

1. We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching,
we are marching, Oo
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching,
we are marching, Oo
we are marching in the light of God.

2. We are living in the love of God...

3. We are moving in the power of God...

South African traditional
tr. Anders Nyberg 1955 -

OFFERTORY HYMN

'Holy Spirit'

1. Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord
come renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see,
give me passion for Your purity;
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me.
2. Holy Spirit, come abide within,
may Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin,
in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace;
Breath of God show Christ in all I do.
3. Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
giving life to all that God has made,
show Your power once again on earth,
cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise;

Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
that in unity the face of Christ
may be clear for all the world to see.

Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

HYMN

TIS 491 'Father Welcomes All His Children'

Refrain

*Father welcomes all his children
to his family through his Son;
Father giving his salvation,
life for ever has been won.*

1. Little children, come to me,
for my kingdom is of these;
life and love I have to give,
mercy for your sin.

Refrain

2. In the water, in the word
in his promise, be assured:
those who are baptized and believe
shall be born again.

Refrain

Robin Mann 1949 -

CHOIR ANTHEM

At the Still Point of the Universe

At the still point of the universe,
all that is not silence is song,
and all creation, hearing it, dances for joy.
The song of the universe is the song of life,
its rhythms defined by the cadence of time,
its beauty in its holy harmony.
The song is sung best when sung by the heart.

Alfred Fedak

RECESSIONAL HYMN'

TIS 631 'Father, Lord of all Creation'

1. Father, Lord of all creation,
ground of being, life and love;
height and depth beyond description

only life in you can prove:
you are mortal life's dependence:
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
yours is every hour's existence,
sovereign Lord of time and space.

2. Jesus Christ, the Man for Others,
we, your people, make our prayer:
let us love as sisters, brothers,
all whose burdens we can share.
Where your name binds us together
you, Lord Christ, will surely be;
where no selfishness can sever
there your love we all may see.

3. Holy Spirit, rushing, burning,
wind and flame of Pentecost,
fill our hearts afresh with yearning

to regain what we have lost.
May your love unite our action,
nevermore to speak alone:
God, in us abolish faction,
and through us your love make known.

David Stewart Cross
1928 - 89

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Hard copies now available at both doors.
Please feel free to distribute to elderlies,
"shut-ins", those without E-mail -- and any-
one who may be interested in the life of our
Parish.

Enquiries: Graeme

WINTER WOOLIES APPEAL

During the month of May the Social Justice Committee are seeking donations of winter wool-
lies 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



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 2nd June 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 27** at
7.30pm. Zoom links are emailed to members pri-
or to the sessions or enquiries can be directed to
Michael Mosley. The session following May 27
will be **June 10** at 7.30pm.

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Day of Pentecost

- May 23, 2021

9.30 am Eucharist with First

Communion

3.00 - 8.00 pm TCCV service

Monday 24

9.30 - 10.30 am Pilates (Parish Centre)

1.30 - 3.30 pm MU (Parish Centre)

4.00 - 8.45 pm Karen Margaret Dance

Tuesday 25

9.00 am - 5.00 pm Living Well (Parish Centre)

7.00 - 9.00 pm Archbishop's Roadshow
(Parish Centre & Old Church)

Wednesday 26

10.30 am-12.00 pm mainly music (Old Church)

9.00 am - 5.00 pm Living Well (Parish Centre)

6.30 - 9.30 pm Kiwanis (Old Church)

Thursday 27

10.00 am Thursday Eucharist

9.00 am - 5.00 pm Living Well (Parish Centre)

7.30 pm Choir practice (Church)

7.30 pm Meditation

Friday 28

Saturday 29

3.00 - 10.00 pm Chinese Church

Sunday 30 Trinity

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Eucharist with Kids Church
(Ecumenical)

Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

Next week: Trinity

- May 30, 2021

8.00 am

Welcomers Nirmal Thevapalan
Adam Thevapalan

Reader Mo Smethurst
Romans 8: 22 -27

10.00 am

Welcomers Graeme Dellora
Maggie Dellora

Reader Eleanor U'Ren
Romans 8: 12 – 17

Intercessor Joan West

Covid Cleaning Roster

Sunday 23rd May

8.00am Doug Hastings
Ruth Hastings
10.00am Graeme Dellora
Maggie Dellora

Thursday 27th May

10.00am Val Dyke
Lyn Ryan

Sunday 30th May

8.00am Shanti Lieversz
Darrell Lieversz
10.00am Jun Yano
Nirmolini Flora

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays from 3pm

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(Day off - Monday)

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

Assistant Curate

(Day off - Monday)

The Revd Greg Wong

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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SERVICES: Sunday 8.00 & 10.00 am

Thursday 10.00 am

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