



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

3 October 2021

Dates for Calendar

Sunday 21st November - Christ the King Joint service 9:30am, including confirmation with Bp Paul Barker.

Sunday 28th November - 1st Sunday of Advent Joint service 9:30am, Annual Meeting afterwards.

Sunday 19th December - Normal morning services 8am and 10am, Carol Service 5pm.

Friday 24th December - Christmas Eve Children & Families Service 5pm, Christmas Midnight Service 11pm.

Saturday 25th December - Christmas Day 9:30am (one service only).

Sunday 26th December - Christmas 1 9:30am (one service only).

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,
your Son has taught us that we must receive your sovereign rule
like a little child:
help us to turn to you in faith and simplicity of heart,
so that we may receive your blessing
and enter the kingdom your Son has promised;
through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

10.00 am

Preaching & Presiding:

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

Cantor:

John Leaver

Liturgy Setting:

'St. Alban's Mass' Diane Gome

Introit:

TIS 493 'Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters'

Sentence:

Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a
little child will never enter it.

First Reading:

Hebrews 1: 1- 4

Psalm Response:



R. O Lord, our God, how won-der-ful your name in all the earth!

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Gospel Acclamation:



R. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Gospel:

Mark 10: 2 - 16

Offertory:

TIS 683 'God! When Human Bonds are Broken'

vs. 1, 2, 4, 5 (Tune: TIS 264)

Communion Meditation:

'Let Us Break Bread Together'

- African-American spiritual

Recessional Hymn:

'Go My Children, With My Blessing'

(Tune: TIS 168)

First Reading: Hebrews 1: 1- 4

1 Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,
2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds.
3 **He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word.** When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,
4 having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Proof of covid vaccination

If you can't access your covid vaccination certificate online, you can phone the Australian Immunisation Register - 1800 653 809 between 8am-5pm, Mon-Fri and ask them to send it to you. It can take up to two-three weeks to arrive in the mail.



Gospel Reading: Mark 10: 2 - 16

2 Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' 3 He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 4 They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' 5 But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. 6 But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." 7 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, 8 and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. 9 Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.' 10 Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. 11 He said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; 12 and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.' 13 People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. 14 But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. 15 Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' 16 And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers:

the moon and the stars which you have set in order,

What are we, that you should be mindful of us:

what are we, that you should care for us?

PROCESSIONAL HYMN
'Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters'

1. Wash, O God, our sons and daughters,
where your cleansing waters flow.
Number them among your people;
bless as Christ blessed long ago.
Weave them garments bright and sparkling;
compass them with love and light.
Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit,
holy dove and heart's delight.

2. We who bring them long for nurture;
by your milk may we be fed.
Let us join your feast, partaking
cup of blessing, living bread.
God, renew us, guide our footsteps;
free from sin and all its snares,
one with Christ in living, dying,
by your Spirit, children, heirs.

3. O how deep your holy wisdom!
Unimagined, all your ways.
To your name be glory, honour!
With our lives we worship, praise.
We your people stand before you,
water-washed and Spirit-born.
By your grace, our lives we offer.
Recreate us; God transform.

Ruth C. Duck 1947-

OFFERTORY HYMN
'God! When Human Bonds are Broken'

1. God! When human bonds are broken
and we lack the love or skill
to restore the hope of healing,
give us grace and make us still.

2. Through that stillness, with your Spirit
come into our world of stress,
for the sake of Christ forgiving;
all the failures we confess.

3. Send us, God of new beginnings,
humbly hopeful into life.
Use us as a means of blessing;
make us stronger, give us faith.

4. Give us faith to be more faithful,
give us hope to be more true,
give us love to go on learning;
God! Encourage and renew!

Frederik Herman Kaan 1929 -

RECESSIONAL HYMN
'Go My Children, With My Blessing'

1. Go, my children, with my blessing,
never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you;
you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river

I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing
- you are my own.

2. Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
what I can cure.

Here you heard my dear Son's story;

here you touched him, saw his glory.

Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.

3. Go, my children, fed and nourished,
closer to me;
grow in love and love by serving,
joyful and free.

Here my Spirit's power filled you;

here his tender comfort stilled you.

Go, my children, fed and nourished,
joyful and free.

Jaroslav J. Vajda 1919-2008

NOTICE OF PARISH GENERAL MEETING 2021

Our Parish General Meeting will be held on **Sunday, November 28 following a joint service at 9.30am** - at this stage via Zoom. Further information will be provided closer to the date.

Group Reports

Although Parish groups have been unable to meet for the majority of 2021, it is requested that groups prepare a report for the Parish Annual Report covering the period October 2020 until the end of September 2021. Reports are due to the Parish Office no later than **Friday October 29**.

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.

JOAN WEST

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 will organise to be removed from the roll of the parish in which I am currently enrolled.

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
- October 3, 2021

10.00 am Eucharist via zoom

Monday 4

Tuesday 5

10.00 am Morning Prayer (zoom)

Wednesday 6

Thursday 7

Friday 8

Saturday 9

Sunday 10 Pentecost 20

10.00 am Eucharist via zoom

Next Sunday Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
- October 10, 2021

10.00 am

Welcomers Graeme and Maggie Dellora

Reader Lyn Ryan
Hebrews 4: 12 - 16

Gospel Mark 10 : 17 - 31
(Clergy)

Intercessor Michael Mosley

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 October 14th at 7.30pm. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions or enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

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 6th October 2021.

Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays from 3pm

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Priest (Day off - Monday)	The Venerable Dianne Sharrock
Assistant Curate (Day off - Monday)	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
Treasurer	Helen Warren
Office Manager	Katherine Rushby
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:	
<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
SERVICES:	Sunday 8.00 & 10.00 am Thursday 10.00 am