



Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

22 October 2023

Upcoming Dates

Fri 27th Oct - World Community Day at 10am

Sat 25th Nov - Rev'd Candice Ordination to Priesthood

Sun 26th Nov - Christ the King - Joint Service 9.00am

- AGM to follow and then brunch

Sun 17th Dec - Carol Service 5pm - shared meal to follow

Sun 24th Dec - Advent 4 Joint Service at 9.30am

-- Christmas Eve Family Service 5pm

-- Christmas Service 11pm

Mon 25th Dec - Christmas Day 9.30am

Sun 31st Dec - One Service only at 9.30am

Sun 7th Jan - One Service only at 9.30am

Sun 14th Jan - One Service only at 9.30am

Retiring collection to raise funds for the Ahli Hospital in Gaza (through Anglican Overseas Aid).

In our Parish all are welcome, all are accepted, all are valued and all are respected.

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.

World Community Day

Friday 27th October at St Stephen and St Mary Mt Waverley. Morning tea at 10am, service at 10.30am.

Guest Speaker: Val Dyke

Three Birds Monastery - GalahKookEmu

Our small group of people interested in exploring Benedictine practices (based on Monasteries of the Heart set up by Sister Joan Chittister) meets again on Wednesday 25 October at 7pm.

We have a shared meal where we each person brings something, followed by discussion, meditative prayer and chat. New members welcome.

Call Fran for more information or if you'd like to come along (for catering purposes).

Ecumenical Hymn Singing service

Venue - St Lukes Uniting Church, Essex Rd, Mt Waverley

Time - 4:00pm on Sunday 29th October (afternoon tea at 3.30pm)



Dixon House Christmas Appeal 2023

The ongoing rise in cost of living for essential items including food, housing, utility and petrol costs continue **to increase demand for Dixon House's services, and they are seeing unprecedented numbers of new vulnerable families.** Your generous donation of non-perishable food and toys are even more critical this year and will ensure they can relieve some of the food shortages, so that vulnerable households can also celebrate a joyful Christmas. Toys should be unwrapped with wrapping paper for clients to choose and wrap toys.

For their 2023 Christmas Distribution Appeal, please consider prioritising your donation to grocery vouchers, as much FOOD as possible, and then toys and gifts. Teenagers with limited IT resources would welcome gift vouchers that are redeemable at a variety of stores. See flyer on notice board for donation ideas. Please bring donations from mid November. Friday December 8th is the deadline.

Enquiries : Joanne Burns

Parish General Meeting

Our Parish General Meeting will be held on Sunday November 26 following a Joint Service at 9.00am.

Leaders of groups are asked to prepare their reports for the Annual Report and send them to the parish office by the end of October. If you wish to be added to the Electoral Roll so you can vote at the meeting please contact Katherine in the office for an Electoral Roll enrolment form. Nomination forms for Parish Council, Wardens and Incumbency committee are also available.

Joan West, Secretary, Parish Council

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday October 22, 2023

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church

3.30 pm - 8pm Tamil Church

Monday 23

1.30 - 3.30 pm **Mothers' Union**

4.00 - 8.45 pm Karen Margaret Dance

Tuesday 24

Wednesday 25

10.30a m Funeral

Thursday 26

10.00 am Eucharist

7.30 pm Choir

Friday 27

10.00 am World Community Day

Saturday 28

11.30 am Baptism

2.30 - 4.30 pm TCCV Choir (Church)

Sunday 29

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Eucharist followed by
interment

11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church

Next Sunday - October 29, 2023

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

8.30 am Holy Communion

Server Brett Gaffney

Welcomers David Sharrock
Celia Gant

Reader Adam Thevapalan

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Welcomers Sujan Blanchard
Arunthy Blanchard

Readers Elaine Fasken
Eleanor U'Ren

Chalice Assistants Dennis Mills
Judith Gibson

Intercessions Judith Gibson

Morning Tea Jenny Brown
Howard Brown

Next Sunday's Readings:

Deuteronomy 34.1-12

Psalm 90.1-6,13-17

1 Thessalonians 2.1-13

Matthew 22.34-46

Office Days

The Office will be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday until the end of October 2023.

During November and December the office will be open on Thursday and Friday only. Katherine will be working from home on Wednesday.

Thursday Evening Meditation

The Thursday Evening Meditation Group is now in recess until February next year. Unfortunately **Thursday evenings won't be an option for next year** but details of the 2024 session times TBA at a later date.

Enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

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Priest

(Day off - Monday)

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

Assistant Curate

(Sundays only)

The Revd Candice Mitrousis

Children's and Families' Minister

(Tues 10.00am - 12.00pm, Sun 9.30am - 11.30pm)

Lisa Eames

Safe Ministry Compliance Officer

Elaine Fasken

Child Safety Officer

Lisa Eames/Elaine Fasken

Music Director

Brian Cople

Treasurer

Helen Warren

Office Administrator

Katherine Rushby

Churchwardens:

Sugan Blanchard

Graeme Dellora

Sue Retschko

Parish Council:

Sugan Blanchard, Graeme Dellora, Judith Gibson, Sally Hibbert,
John Leaver, Sue Retschko, Fiona Sawyer, Helen Warren, Joan West

Pastoral Care Ministry:

Hospital Visiting:

Clergy

Funeral Ministry:

The Vicar

Spiritual Directors:

Val Dyke

Prayer Chain contact

Deanna Sansoni

SERVICES: Sunday 8.30 & 10.00 am Thursday 10.00 am