



Second Sunday in Lent

16 March 2025

Upcoming Events

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| Sunday 16th March | - Jumbunna Call to Prayer 3-6pm |
| Sunday 6th April | - Taizé service at 5pm |
| Sunday 13th April | - Palm Sunday joint service 9.30am
with brunch to follow. |
| Thursday 17th April | - Maundy Thursday 10am & 7.30pm |
| Friday 18th April | - Good Friday 9.30am |
| Saturday 19th April | - Easter Vigil 7.30pm |
| Sunday 20th April | - Easter Day joint service at 9.30am |
| Sunday 20th July | - 160th Anniversary of the church of
St Stephen. Bp Paul Barker preaching.
Joint service at 9.30am. |

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. This is a shared responsibility of staff and parish. Please see the back of pew leaflet for contact details.

Taizé

Our first Taizé service will be held on April 6th 2025 at 5pm in the Old Church. What is Taizé? It is a Christian service characterized by the repetitive singing of simple tunes, interspersed with bible readings, prayers and periods of silence.

It was founded by Brother Roger Schütz in the village of Taizé, France in 1940 and is open to people of all denominations. The simple, meditative form of Taizé worship calls us to dwell deeply on **Christ's presence around and within us.**

Please consider Taizé as a further enrichment to your spiritual life.

Three Birds Monastery (GalahKookEmu): Wed 19 March, 7pm

Our little Benedictine group, based on Sister Joan Chittister's 'Monasteries of the Heart' will be meeting on **Wednesday 19 March** and our new book for the basis of discussions is 'Strangers to the City' by Michael Casey, a monk at Tarrawarra Monastery in the Yarra Valley. We enjoy a shared meal, discussion, meditative prayer and plenty of chat. You are welcome to come along and give it a try – please email me at fran.ludgate@gmail.com for catering purposes or if you have any questions. Fran

The Wednesday Evening Meditation Group

The Wednesday Evening Meditation Group will now meet on the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of the month, on Zoom at 7.30pm and not the first and third Wednesday evenings. Therefore, the next session will be on Wednesday March 26 followed by Wednesday April 9. Enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

Office Hours

Katherine is on holiday this week. Rowena will be in the office on Wednesday (19 March) and Friday (21 March) from 9.30 am to 2.30 pm. Please send any items for the pew sheet by Wednesday.

Alms Baskets

Goods are delivered regularly to MWCIS and Dixon House. Our weekly collection of non-perishable food is greatly appreciated by local recipients who are struggling with the rising cost of living. Most needed items are:
Tinned fruit, Longlife milk, sweet biscuits, tea and coffee, sugar, pasta and pasta sauce, canned soup, noodles, spreads, shampoo and conditioner. Thank you for your ongoing support.



Parish Directory

The new Parish Directory has been finalised. Printed copies are available to those who requested their names be in the directory. Please cross your name off when you have taken your copy.

What's on this week ...

Sunday March 16, 2025

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8.30 am Holy Communion
 10.00 am Parish Eucharist
 11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church
 3.00 - 6.00 pm Jumbunna Call to Prayer

Monday 17

4.00 - 8.45 pm Karen Margaret Dance

Tuesday 18

9.15 am - 10.45 am Yoga (Old Church)
 10.00 am Morning Prayer (zoom)
 1.30 pm Lenten Study (Old Church)
 1.30 pm Mahjong etc (Parish Centre)
 7.30 pm Bible Study (Old Church)

Wednesday 19

7.30 pm Parish Council (zoom)

Thursday 20

10.00 am Eucharist with brunch
 7.30 pm Lenten Study (zoom)
 7.30 pm Choir (Church)

Friday 21

Saturday 22

8.00 - 9.30 am Yoga (Old Church)
 2.30 - 5.30 pm TCCV Choir (Whole site)

Sunday 23

8.30 am Holy Communion
 10.00 am Parish Eucharist
 11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church
 4.00 - 8.00 pm Tamil Church

Next Sunday - March 23, 2025

Third Sunday in Lent

8.30 am Holy Communion

Server Joanne Burns

Welcomers Celia Gant

Reader John Foster

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Lay Reader

Welcomers Sugan Blanchard
 Arunthy Blanchard

Readers Rowena Ferguson
 Dennis Mills

Intercessions Val Dyke

Chalice Assistants Rowena Ferguson
 Jenny Bowers

Morning Tea Annemarie Davies
 Elaine Fasken

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 55.1-9
 Psalm 63.1-9
 1 Corinthians 10.1-13
 Luke 13.1-9

Parish Bank Account Details

If you wish to give electronically to support the work of this parish account details follow:

Westpac BSB 033-038 Account no. 211 656

Account name: Parish of St Stephen & St Mary Mt Waverley General Account

The Anglican Parish of St Stephen & St Mary Mount Waverley

383-385 High Street Road, Mt Waverley, 3149. Phone: 9807 3168

Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 9.30am - 2.30pm

Email: parishoffice@stephenandmary.org.au Website: www.stephenandmary.org.au

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Priest

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

(Day off - Monday)

Associate Priest

Fr Derek Jones

(Alternate Thursdays and Sundays)

Assistant Curate

The Revd Candice Mitrousis

(Tuesdays only)

Safe Ministry Compliance Officer

Elaine Fasken

Music Director

Brian Cople

Treasurer

Helen Warren

Office Administrator

Katherine Rushby

Churchwardens:

Graeme Dellora

Judith Gibson

Helen Warren

Parish Council:

Kathy Dodgshun, Rowena Ferguson, Riley
Johnston, Dennis Mills, Rebecca Sims, Sue
Retschko, David Stanley, Joan West

Pastoral Care Ministry:

Hospital Visiting:

Clergy

Funeral Ministry:

The Vicar

Spiritual Director:

Val Dyke

Prayer Chain contact

Margaret Syfret

REGULAR SERVICES:

Sunday 8.30 & 10.00 am, Thursday 10.00 am