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We pray for the Diocese of The Murray and Parish Council Members

Bishop John (Bridget), Archdeacon Fr Peter Carlsson,

Right Rev. Bishop Lindsay Urwin (Vicar General)

Very Rev. David Price (Dean) (Lesley) and Fr Des Ackland (Raelene)

In the Limestone Coast – we pray for Fr David Patterson, Fr Wayne,

Fr David Withers (Ann), Fr Neil (Nalini)

Parish Counsellors Christ Church

Trevor Christopher, Richard Strickland, Brian Smith, Rick Fisher, Lynn Fisher, Maree Lynch, Tara McCracken, Matthew Charlton, Faye Hill.

Diocesan Prayer

Lord Jesus, you call us to be your disciples and friend; help us to journey with you on the way of life toward the Father. Enable us by the Spirit to discover not only the fullness of who you are, but also the fullness of life you offer to each one of us.

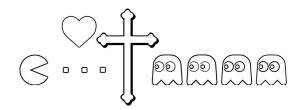
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The Anglican Pastoral District of Mount Gambier

Christ Church Mount Gambier

St Luke's Mount Schank St Thomas
Port MacDonnell

Sexagesima: 24th February 2019



"Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you." Luke 6:27

Love and pray for your enemy



We extend a warm welcome to all visitors to our services today

Please make yourself known to the Parish Priest or Wardens — and please join us for a cuppa and chat in the Ashworth Room after the service

Love and Pray For Your Enemy

The words from Jesus' teaching today are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

At the heart of the teachings of Jesus that we hear today are two teachings that are so important in our lives: forgiveness and acceptance of mistreatment. Jesus tells us "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." These teachings are so against our modern ways of thinking! Yes these same teachings would revolutionize our present world if we all lived them. The challenge is not to think to ourselves: "Nobody lives that way." Rather, we can be thinking: "How can I live this way because Jesus has invited me to live this way."

We see these teachings today in the story of David's relationship with King Saul. We also see this today clearly in the Gospel reading. In the reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians, Saint Paul tells us that we bear the image of the first man and we can bear the image of Jesus Christ.

Let us pray today that our hearts might truly be open to forgiveness and to the acceptance of being treated badly. Let us love all of our enemies: the enemies of our country, the enemies of our families, our personal enemies, the enemies of our Church and whatever enemy there is. Let us love the outcasts, the lepers of our times: anyone that we would not want to live with on a regular basis! Let us learn to do good for all of these enemies. Let us bless them and pray for them. What a world we can create together if we walk this path with our Lord Jesus Christ!

In our celebration of the Holy Eucharist today, may God give us strength! Let us remember this phrase from today's Gospel: "For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

Luke 6: 27-38 **EUCHARIST ASSISTANT** Margaret Boardman SERVER Sue Christopher **INTERCESSIONS** Sue Christopher **WELCOMER** Anne Ashworth **ELEMENTS** Raylene Milligan and Faye Hill **SIDESPERSONS** Ginny Glover FOOD BASKET **READERS** Julienne Feast and Brian Smith MORNING TEA Virginia and Lance Kuhl **FLOWERS** Lyn Killey 8.00am SERVER Julienne Feast SOUND DESK Darren Schunke PEWSHEET ASSEMBLING Sandy Coulson GARDENING Richard Strickland MOWING ROSTER Darryll Grant READINGS and ROSTER — Sunday, 3rd March 2019 **Quinquagesima / Ordinary Sunday 8** Ps 92: 5-15 1 Cor 15: 54-58 Sirach Eccles 10: 8-14 Luke 6: 39-45 **EUCHARIST ASSISTANT** Bill Hudd SERVER Julienne Feast **INTERCESSIONS** Julienne Feast **WELCOMER** Trudy-Anne Doyle **ELEMENTS** Otfried Linder **SIDESPERSONS** Kathy MacIntosh & Graham Savage FOOD BASKET Anne Ashworth **READERS** Lynn and Rick Fisher Tara McCracken & Helen Douglass MORNING TEA **FLOWERS** Lent 8.00am SERVER Julienne Feast Robyn Ashby SOUND DESK PEWSHEET ASSEMBLING David & Jean Hawkes GARDENING Robyn Sweetnam MOWING ROSTER Darryll Grant

READINGS and ROSTER — Sunday, 24th February 2019 Sexagesima / Ordinary Sunday 7

Ps 103: 1-5

1 Cor 15: 45-49

1 Sam 26:2, 7-9,12-13,22-23



Our Annual Vestry Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, 24th March in the church — following the 9.30am service.

It is important that you attend to help guide your church through the forthcoming year, so please make sure you mark this date in your diary!

If you are considering standing for Parish Council or a Wardens position, please ensure that you complete the necessary forms and return them to the Church Office in the week prior to the meeting.

If you would like more information regarding the roles on Parish Council/ Wardens positions, please speak to one of the current imcumbents who will be happy to provide this info.!

Help needed!!

We need more people to help with the sound desk and also with serving at the Sunday services. If you think you could take on one (or both) of these roles, please speak to either of the Christ Church Wardens (Tara and Faye) or Fr Neil.

Also, if you have the time and inclination, some extra admin support for the Church Office would be VERY welcome. Currently, the 3 people who 'man' the office on a weekly basis have no back-up, and it would be wonderful if you could spare a little of your time learning the ropes—thus affording the girls an opportunity for a break! If you need more info, please speak to either Ginny, Lynn or Maree for more info.

Thank you.

Zone meetings for February

Zone 4 – 3rd Sunday at **3.00pm** details to come Zone 1 – 4th Sunday **2.00pm** details to come Zone 2 – 4th Sunday at **3.00pm** details to come

Diary Dates

Tuesday, 26 Feb	3.15pm	Fundraising meeting in Vestry
Friday, 1 March	10.00am	World Day of Prayer service, @ St Martin's Lutheran Church
Wednesday, 20 March	7.00pm	Parish Council meeting in Vestry
Sunday, 24 March	11.30am approx.	Annual Vestry meeting (following 9.30am Service)
Sunday, 31 March	6.30pm	City Wide Service at Christ Church



Christ Church Craft Group

Our Group meet in the Ashworth Room from 1.00pm to 3.00pm on Wednesdays. All welcome. Bring work or just come for a chat and a cuppa. Phone Kathy if any queries 0447 255 790.

Giving Envelopes

There are still a few 2019 Envelopes to be collected from the Vestry. Can you please check to see if your envelopes are there—or if there are some you could deliver to someone who cannot come to church regularly.

However, if it would be easier for you to pay by Direct Debit, the details are as follows:

BSB: 105-002

A/c number : 041 398 740

(Paying by direct debit not only enables the admin staff to accurately record your giving [whether done weekly, fortnightly, monthly etc.], but it also reduces the burden on the money counters each week).

Table Tennis / games afternoons

Table tennis is being held in the Christ Church Hall every Saturday from 4.00—6.00pm. Come along and join in the fun! A gold coin donation would be appreciated.



FREEZER MINISTRY FOR MARCH

Pam Miller

Jean Hawkes

Julienne Feast

Please remember when preparing food for the freezer ministry, to label, date and list all the ingredients in each container.



FOOD MINISTRY

If you could help by donating non-perishable foods/tins (or by making a monetary donation so that items can be purchased) it would be very much appreciated. However, please **DO NOT** put items in food basket if they are out of date!! We cannot give these items out as they could lead to potential litigation.

Thank you everyone for your continued support of this ministry

Pray for those who are unwell and for each other

Alice Gladigau; John & Phillis Beaven (brother & sister in law of Alice); Rita Johnston; Maree and Bob Lynch; June Willcourt; Jill Moore; Don Currie; Sue Ongley; Pip Herbert (Daughter of Pam Judge); Ryan Hinshelwood; Edna McIntyre; Fr Peter Carlsson; Bev Hamson; Sarah Manifold-Searles; Nora Smibert; Brian Kirkland (Betty Wright's son-in-law) Joe Maier; Bishop David McCall

Pray for the repose of the souls of those near and dear to each one of us and for those whose yearly remembrance is this week.

If you wish for your name (or the name of someone you know) to be placed on the prayer list, please submit the request in writing (including your name and the name of the person for whom prayers are required).

Forms for this purpose can be found at the back of the church.

Kath Watts

There will be a service of interment of Kath's ashes on Saturday, 2nd March at 2.00pm in the Christ Church memorial garden.

Kath's family would welcome any parishioners who wish to attend the service and would love you to join them for a cuppa at the Library afterwards for a chat and to share some memories.



Monday 25th February

10.00am—3.00pm Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge

5.15pm Christian Meditation

Tuesday, 26th February

10.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am—3.00pm Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge

Wednesday, 27th February

10.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am—3.00pm Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge 1.00pm Craft Group in Ashworth Room

Thursday 28th February

10.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am—3.00pm Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge

5.15pm Christian Meditation

6.00pm CMG practice

Friday, 1st March

10.00am Morning Prayer 11.00am Holy Communion

10.00am—3.00pm Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge

Saturday, 2nd March

9.30am – 12.30pm Bell Tower Op Shop

2.00pm Ashes interment service for Kath Watts in

Christ Church Memorial Garden.

4.00pm—6.00pm Table Tennis/games in Christ Church Hall

Sunday, 3rd March

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Sung Eucharist, Christ Church

11.30am Holy Communion, St Thomas Port MacDonnell

On the <u>1st Tuesday of each month</u>, there will be a service at St Mary's Boandik at 10.00am

and on <u>the 1st Friday of each month</u>, a healing service will be held at 10.30am prior to the 11.00am Holy Eucharist.

NB Our church has an audio loop to assist those with hearing aids.