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### Pew Sheet

All notices/information for pew  
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**Details for giving by Direct Debit :** The Anglican Parish of Mount Gambier  
BSB : 105-002  
A/c number : 041 398 740



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

Bishop Keith Dalby (Alice) ; Very Rev. David Price (Dean) (Lesley);  
Fr Des Ackland (Raelene) and Fr Peter Carlsson

### and In the Limestone Coast

Fr David Patterson; Fr Wayne; Fr David Withers (Ann); Fr Neil (Nalini)

### Parish Counsellors Christ Church

Richard Strickland, Helen Douglass, Rick Fisher, Brian Smith,  
Jeff Bowman, Sandy Coulson, Maree Lynch, Lynn Fisher

### 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.

Amen

## The Anglican Pastoral District of Mount Gambier

Christ Church  
Mount Gambier

St Luke's  
Mount Schank

St Thomas  
Port MacDonnell

**Epiphany 6 : 16th February 2020**



*Reconcile with one another*



**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 9.30am service

**Reconcile with one another**

There is a battle going on in the lives of each of us, a battle going on for the lives of each of us, a battle between good and evil. At the end of that battle in the next life we will either hear Jesus say, "you are mine" or hear Satan say, "you are mine".

What Are Some of the Reasons We Should be Reconciled to One Another? Let us look at some of Biblical principles of reconciliation that will help us experience the blessings, benefits and bounty that God wants to infuse into our relationships:

1. To avoid God's judgment. Jesus said, "But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother, will be subject to judgment....Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift (Matt. 5:22-26)
2. To show that God puts loving relationships with Christian brothers and sisters above sacrificial service. Jesus said, "If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over (Matt. 18:15-17)
3. To give an example to everyone of Christ's reconciling power to overcome differences. Paul wrote, "His purpose was to create in Himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which He put to death their hostility." (Eph. 2:15,16)
4. To demonstrate God's power to bring reconciliation between enemies. Paul wrote, "For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to Him through the death of His Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through His life!" (Rom. 5:10)
5. To be a testimony of God's great message of reconciliation to everyone. Paul wrote, "That God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God was making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God." (2 Cor. 5:19,20)
6. To demonstrate that as Christ freely accepts us so we should accept others without reservation. Paul wrote, "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." (Rom. 15:7)
7. To motivate you to cleanse your mind and emotions from all grudges and bad attitudes. Paul wrote, "Get rid of bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." (Eph. 4:31,32) Hatred always does more damage to the one expressing it than the one receiving it. Jesus said, "It is not what is on the outside of a man that defiles him, but what comes out of the man's heart - envy, greed, jealousy, hatred and bitterness."

Having healthy relationships is central to being a part of the body of Christ. These are to be healthy, loving, and forgiving. And this is true not only within our immediate circle of fellow Christians, but also with our neighbours, business acquaintances, and even our enemies! What this means is that we must seek forgiveness when we have wronged others, and we must forgive others when they have wronged us.

READINGS and ROSTER — Sunday, 16th February 2020 Epiphany 6			
Sir 15: 15-20	Ps 119: 1-8	1 Cor 2: 6-13	Matthew 5: 17-37
EUCHARIST ASSISTANT	Kathy MacIntosh		
SERVER	Sue Christopher		
INTERCESSIONS	Sue Christopher		
WELCOMER	Anne Ashworth		
ELEMENTS	Denise McDonald		
SIDESPERSIONS	Raylene Milligan and Faye Hill		
FOOD BASKET	Judy Geddes		
READERS	Raylene Milligan and Brian Smith		
MORNING TEA	Denise McDonald and Judy Geddes		
FLOWERS			
8.00am SERVER	Julienne Feast		
SOUND DESK	Robyn Ashby		
PEWSHEET ASSEMBLING	Alice Gladigau		
GARDENING	Richard Strickland		
MOWING ROSTER	Darryll Grant		
READINGS and ROSTER — Sunday, 23rd February 2020 Epiphany 7			
Lev 19: 1-2,9,17,18	Ps 103: 1-5	1 Cor 3: 16-23	Matthew 5: 38-48
EUCHARIST ASSISTANT	Sue Christopher		
SERVER	Julienne Feast		
INTERCESSIONS	The Children		
WELCOMER	Trudy-Anne Doyle		
ELEMENTS	The Children		
SIDESPERSIONS	The Children		
FOOD BASKET	The Children		
READERS	Eleanor Doyle and Bev Hamson		
MORNING TEA	The Men		
FLOWERS			
8.00am SERVER	Julienne Feast		
SOUND DESK	Agnes Doyle & Sue Christopher		
PEWSHEET ASSEMBLING	Sandy Coulson		
GARDENING	Richard Strickland		
MOWING ROSTER	Darryll Grant		

**The Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge** requests that we have a small group of men available from the parish to assist in the movement of stock to the shed. This would be using the barrel or hand trolley, as safe practice and to be available at short notice, such as a phone call and the task would only require a commitment of 10-15 minutes at the most. This would be needed for Wednesdays and Thursday and only as needed, by a phone call to yourself and negotiating with the volunteer, a time for you to call in and move the stock with the trolley. This would be appreciated as our volunteers are largely a female workforce and we need to support them, in prevention of any injuries. It is a small but essential commitment to the wellbeing of our volunteers and the long term success of this venture. Please phone Annette Glover on 0432 766 644 Thank you.



### Solos & (S)pairs are back !!!

Next Sunday lunch 12.30pm, Sunday, 23rd February at the Federal Hotel.

All Welcome—please let Robyn know if you are planning to come 0498 968 394.



### The Mothers Union theme for the year is “Building Hope and Confidence”

Mothers Union will hold their AGM on Tuesday, 18th February at 2.00pm in the Ashworth Room. All are welcome and could members bring a friend \*?

Elizabeth Hodges (President) 0419 595 653



### Thought for the Week from Mothers Union Australia

*Steadfastness*

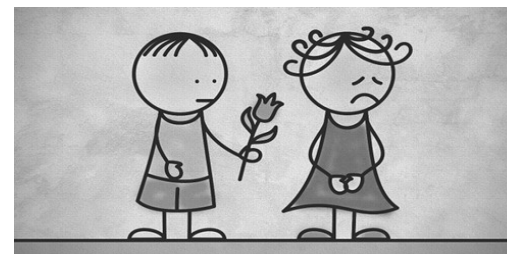
*Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might,  
Thou Lord their Captain in the well fought fight,  
Thou in the darkest drear their one true light. TiS 455; AHB 384*

If Jesus is the model of steadfastness we follow, his followers have also given us examples of steadfastness. In Westminster Abbey there are modern statues of 20<sup>th</sup> century martyrs such as Boenhoeffer, Martin Luther King, Kolbe. They held themselves like rocks against the tide of prejudice, they fought for the downtrodden, they continue the Christian Way that has been kept alive through 2 millennia. It is the Way of peace and justice for all, a Way that can only be upheld by a continuing steadfast appraisal of the injustices of our times. *Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:58*

What were accepted practices in Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda and Tanzania – female genital mutilation and child marriage—are now priority areas for advocacy and policy. Members are steadfastly campaigning for a ‘complete stop’ to the practices, sometimes needing to move at-risk girls to safer areas.

Do you have relationships where things aren't right? It could be in your marriage, with your children, with your parents, or somebody at your church. Someone close who you have trusted may have burned you. Let this be the day when you ask God for the power to forgive. Or it may be that you've let somebody else down and you're estranged because of what you have done. Today is the time to say, “Lord, forgive me. Help me to have the courage to go and seek forgiveness from that person, so that we can be reconciled.” Because, my friends, the ultimate meaning of life is found in healthy relationships with God and with our fellow man. Don't wait. Decide today to get those relationships right.

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### Coming events in the Parish / Diocese

Friday, 21 February & Sat, 22 Feb		Families Equip Facilitator Training Course, Anglican Church Hall, Naracoorte (see notice board for full details)
Wednesday, 19 Feb	5.00pm	Parish Council meeting in Vestry
Saturday, 29 Feb	8.30am-12 Noon	Leap Year Garage Sale in shed
Tuesday, 3rd March	3.15pm	Fundraising team meeting Ashworth Room
Wednesday, 4th March	8.30am	Men Do Breakfast Metro Cafe
Monday, 16 March	9.30am	Workplace Health & Safety meeting at Church
Friday, 20 March	1.30pm	St Mary's Boandik Lodge visiting Op Shop followed by afternoon tea
Sunday, 22 March		<b>Annual Vestry Meeting</b> following 9.30am service

## FREEZER MINISTRY FOR FEBRUARY

Anne England Elizabeth Hodges  
Jenny Bowman Rhonda Strickland

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



## Pray for those who are unwell and for each other

Bishop David McCall; Pam Judge; Val Linder; Fr Peter Carlsson; Sue Ongley; Maree & Bob Lynch; Sallyann Geddes (daughter of Neil & Judy); June Willcourt; Wendy Monger & Don Currie; Shirley Stacpoole; John & Phillis Beaven (brother & sister-in-law of Alice); Alice Gladigau (and also Derek Gladigau who is currently in India on ministry work)

**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.***

## Workplace Health and Safety

Parish Council made the decision—in line with the WHS Act—that as a means of discouraging children (especially young children) from playing on the stage and potentially suffering an injury if they fell off the stage or down the steps, 2 gates have been installed at the bottom of the steps. Parents are again reminded that if children do enter the stage area, they should be under direct adult supervision.



## Sri Lanka tour and mission trip (guided by Noel Bruno)

6th July to 17th July 2020 (12 days/11 nights)

Twin share or double—\$1,762 (Aust)  
Includes 13 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners

Please contact Fr Neil (0478 085 894) with expression of interest

For more details see flier on Vestry notice board.

## Services this coming week in the Parish

### Monday, 17th February

10.00am—3.00pm  
5.15pm

Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge  
Christian Meditation

### Tuesday, 18th February

10.00am  
10.00am—3.00pm  
2.00pm  
5.30pm

Morning Prayer  
Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge  
Mothers Union meeting Ashworth Room  
Holy Eucharist

### Wednesday, 19th February

10.00am—3.00pm  
1.00pm  
5.00pm

Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge  
Craft Group Ashworth Room  
Parish Council meeting in Vestry

### Thursday, 20th February

10.00am  
10.00am—3.00pm  
5.15pm  
6.00pm

Morning Prayer  
Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge  
Christian Meditation  
CMG practice

### Friday, 21st February

10.00am—3.00pm  
11.00am

Bell Tower Op Shop  
Holy Communion

### Saturday, 22nd February

9.30am—12.30pm

Bell Tower Op Shop

### Sunday, 23rd February

8.00am  
9.30am  
12.30pm

Holy Communion  
Children's Service  
Solos & (S)pairs lunch @ Federal Hotel

***On the 1st Tuesday of each month, there will be a service at St Mary's Boandik at 10.00am and 1st and 3rd Fridays at Boandik Lodge Lake Tce. at 1.30pm***

***On the 1st Friday of each month, a healing service will be held at 10.30am prior to the 11.00am Holy Eucharist.***

***On the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month, Prison Visiting at 6.00pm***

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