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BSB : 105-002
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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 Corker; Fr David Withers (Ann);
Fr Neil (Nalini)

Parish Counsellors, Christ Church

Richard Strickland, Helen Douglass, Rick Fisher, Brian Smith,
Jeff Bowman, 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**

2nd Sunday after Easter : 26th April 2020

*They shall grow not old
As we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them
Not the years condemn
At the going down of the sun,
and in the morning
We will remember them
Lest we forget*



Lest we forget



**We extend a warm welcome to all visitors to
our church**

*Please make yourself known to the Parish Priest
or Wardens*

SACRIFICIAL LOVE

It is significant that this ANZAC Day falls within days after our Easter event – the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. Today we use ritual, symbols and sacrament here at the Eucharist in making present Christ's sacrifice and his rising to life – *Do this in memory of me*. Perhaps in the depth of their being, many Australians already understand something of the Gospel; in relation to self-sacrifice as the reality of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ is the ultimate self sacrifice. No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends. 'You are my friends', says the Lord, if you do what I command you'. (John 14; 13-14).

In the Gospel, the example of the wheat grain falling to the ground and dying, in order to yield a rich harvest—NEW LIFE – is a beautiful analogy of the human's journey from selfishness to selflessness, from death to life; the growth in human stature, growth in love.

The Anzac story aptly fleshes our analogy of the wheat grain in the scriptures. In this day of commemoration, we see a very poignant example of self-sacrifice in the ANZAC even to the point of death.

Today's ritual and symbol challenge us to emulate the spirit of Anzac in our daily living; living one's present life with an attitude that goes beyond mere self-preservation at all costs. It points to an attitude of being ready to embrace a self-sacrificing spirit – putting others first – in whatever we do; for in giving, and not counting the cost; we yield a rich harvest.

This is a time to remember the ANZACs who were described as standing for 'reckless valour in a good cause, for enterprise, resourcefulness, fidelity, comradeship and endurance' (*C.Bean*). It is a time to offer a tribute to all those who have given their lives to love of country and love of liberty, those who have served, and those who still today step bravely into the unknown to serve our country.

We remember with gratitude today those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in war. May their deaths not be in vain. May their lasting legacy become our legacy as we enjoy the fruits of their sacrifice. May we commit ourselves as citizens to doing our bit in further building our nation and orient our own lives towards those things to which the ANZACs committed their lives – to peace, justice, freedom and reconciliation.


May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

LEST WE FORGET!

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READINGS for Sunday, 26th April 2020—Second Sunday after Easter ANZAC Day Commemoration			
Acts 2. (14,) 22-28	Ps 16	1 Peter 1. 17-21	Luke 24. 13-35
Reader		Richard Mills	
Intercessions		Julienne Feast	
MP	Pss 49; 134	Ezek 20. 1-21	John 10. 1-18 or 1 Peter 5
EP	Pss 2; 8	Isa 25. 1-9	Luke 24. 13-35
READINGS for Sunday, 3rd May 2020—Third Sunday after Easter			
Acts 2. (14,) 36-41	Ps 23	1 Peter 2. 13 (20b)-25	
	John 10. 1-10		
MP	Ps 40	1 Ki 17. 8-end	John 11. 17-44
EP	Ps 18. 1-31	Isa 61. 1-7	John 21. 1-14

ROSTERS FOR APRIL	
GARDENING	Vivienne Ortega
MOWING ROSTER	Richard Strickland



Church Craft Group Mothers Day Raffle

The raffle will not be drawn on 3rd May due to the isolation regulations etc., but will be drawn at a later date so we can sell more tickets. After all, we can appreciate our mothers every day!



Please pray for the Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith, Archbishop of Adelaide, who was elected by the Board of Electors as Primate of Australia—effective from 7th April 2020.



Wrecked shoes

Recycled Runway is a contest run by this church where contestants convert a bag of op shop clothes into an outfit. This year we intended to include shoes, but so far we have only 20 pairs, and need 30 more.

The closure of the Op Shop ended a steady supply of shoes not suitable for reselling. Are there any shoes lurking in cupboards that are in some way ruined or broken, and have been retained on the pipe dream of repair?

We are looking for shoes with potential—e.g. paint scratched but otherwise in ok condition, could be covered with fabric; or pretty wrecked but some nice details that could be cut out and added to a handbag. No mouldy loafers though thank you!!

Please contact Trudy-Anne on 8725 9881.



Services and coming events in the Parish and Diocese

Due to the restrictions associated with COVID 19 (Coronavirus), please be advised that all services and meetings associated with the Parish and Diocese have been suspended until further notice—with the exception of weddings (limited to 5 people attending) and funerals (with a limit of 10 people)

The Bell Tower Op Shop and Lounge will also be closed until further notice—and request that no donations be left at the Op Shop door as there will be no staff to process the donations.

Here's how to stay in touch!!!

- Go to our Parish website:

www.anglicanmountgambier.org.au

for your live on-line weekly services, and other information from around the Parish.

- There are 3 ways for you to maintain your weekly giving:
 - Direct debit (**the absolutely preferred method!**)
BSB : 105-002 Account number: 041 398 740
 - Deliver your pledge envelopes to the slot in the Vestry door at the rear of the church.
 - Place your cash offering in an envelope and deliver to the Vestry door at the rear of the church.

It is VITAL now more than ever that we continue to financially support our church's work and outreach during this difficult time!

- From now onwards you can access Morning and Evening prayer through the ePray Daily app—so download the app to join in.
- Bible studies by Zoom to come shortly.

FREEZER MINISTRY FOR APRIL
Anne Ashworth Larnka Foran



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

The Emergency Food Ministry has ceased for general public access for the time being. However, if you are struggling due to ill health/infirmities to obtain the provisions you need, please contact Fr Neil (0478 085 894) and we will endeavour to provide you with some of the provisions left in the Food Ministry cupboard. If there is any clothing you require also, please let Fr Neil know.

Pray for those who are unwell and for each other

Bishop David McCall; Val Linder; Fr Peter Carlsson; Sue Ongley; Maree & Bob Lynch; Sally-Ann Geddes (daughter of Neil & Judy); June Willcourt; Joe Maier; Wendy Monger & Don Currie; Shirley Stacpoole; Alice Gladigau; John & Phillis Beaven (brother & sister-in-law of Alice); Simon & Nina (Vivienne & Pepe's son & daughter-in-law who are expecting twins)

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.

South East prayer

Almighty God and Heavenly Father,

We thank you for calling us to be your ambassadors and witness to the risen Lord Jesus here in the South East. As we come together in prayer, give us open hearts to your Spirit; transform our minds to conform with your will so that we may discern your purposes for us in our faith communities. Help us to overcome the past so that we may wed our purposes with yours as we seek to bring the Good News afresh to those who know not the Lord Jesus; to renew our Spirits and gives us a new hope and new focus and direction as we labour with you to bring about your kingdom here on this part of your earth as it is in heaven.

We ask this through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord. Amen.



Things to do to help you through COVID-19 from MU Australia

Body and Soul	Keep Moving
1. Pick or smell a flower	1. Stand up/sit down more times than usual. Alternative—squat up and down 10 times!
2. Watch a bird	2. Hold a weight (maybe a can of soup) and stretch out your arms in front of you. Alternative—with weights hold arms outstretched and do 10 little pulses up and down.
3. Tidy or clean a neglected spot	3. Flex your feet up and down. Alternative—stand near a wall and stand on tip toe and hold 10 times. Then try it standing on one foot.
4. No coffee out today? Pop the money you would have spent in a container for later donating	4. Walk into each room you have several times for no reason. Alternative—walk around the house or garden briskly 10 times.
5. Make a tea/coffee and phone a friend.	5. Practice deep concentrated breathing. Alternative—do something that builds up your heart rate several times a day.
6. Water or weed the garden or pot plants	6. Get up and move instead of comfort food. Alternative—the same!
7. Look up the meaning of the next 'odd' word you read	7. Lie on the bed and raise legs slowly. Alternative—lie on the floor and raise one leg at a time and pulse or circle it.
8. Pay a compliment by word, phone or email	8. The same lying on your side.
9. Pop a positive note in someone's letter box.	9. Stretch arms upwards 10 times. Alternative—lean against a wall and do arm 'press-ups'.
	10 Walk carefully around the room. Alternative—walk around the room with feet pointing outwards then inwards.
Prayer—Life is so overwhelming at present, perhaps the following 10 ideas will help today. Please pray for:	
1. Your family	6. People in our Diocese still suffering effects of the bushfires
2. Medical staff at your local hospital	7. Those working in your local supermarket
3. your local doctors	8. Your congregation who cannot meet.
4. Give thanks for the good news stories	9. Your own district neighbourhood.
5. Your MU branch members	10. Yourself.
Kneel down and pray!!!	