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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 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

Pentecost Sunday: 31st May 2020



Receive the Holy Spirit



We extend a warm welcome to all visitors to our church

Please make yourself known to the Parish Priest or Wardens

From Fr Neil

RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT

Today is Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost is a Greek word that means "fiftieth". It points to the Jewish festival of the "Feast of the Harvest" (Exodus 23:16), which is held on after the Passover. The Feast of Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. Today concludes the Easter season, the fifty days that, from Jesus' resurrection to Pentecost, are marked in a particular way by the presence of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is in fact the Easter Gift par excellence. He is the Creator Spirit, who constantly brings about new things. Today's readings show us two of those new things. In the first reading, the Spirit makes of the disciples a new people; in the Gospel, he creates in the disciples a new heart.

When the Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in a room, when suddenly, they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

Imagine how the apostles and disciples felt after Jesus ascended. We can imagine they felt emptiness and maybe even fear. But they gathered in prayer, praying for the coming of the Comforter or the Advocate as Jesus called the Holy Spirit (John 14:16.26). The Holy Spirit came and transformed them. After receiving the Holy Spirit they had the power of Jesus and had the courage to continue the ministry of Jesus.

There is the variety of gifts but always the same Spirit. And the Risen Christ breathed on His disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. God is interested in change. Look at what happened on the first Pentecost Sunday. God changed many people's lives.

We know we have received the Spirit during the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. But just as Israel's sin brought her into Exile our sin separates us from God. We are restored again in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and in John 20:21 Jesus says to the apostles:

"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Many times in the Acts of the Apostles the Holy Spirit is given through prayer. One example is Paul receiving the Holy Spirit when being prayed over by Ananias who laid hands on him. Ananias said,

"Saul, my brother, the Lord has sent me, Jesus who appeared to you on the way by which you came, that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit". (Acts 9:17)

READINGS for Sunday, 31st May 2020—Pentecost Sunday							
Acts 2	2. 1-11 Ps 104.	26-32	1 Cor 12. 1	-13	John 20. 19-23		
Welcomer			Jeff Bowman				
Readers			Rick and Lynn Fisher				
Intercessions			Sue Christopher				
MP	Ps 68	Joel 2. 21-end Romans 8. 1-17					
EP	Ps104. 1-14; 26-	37	Ezek 37.	1-14 R	omans 8. 18-27		
READINGS for Tuesday, 2nd June 2020							
MP	Pss 57; 58	Eze	Ezek 36. 22-28 1 Cor 3				
EP	Pss 59; 60	1 Ki	1 Kings 19. 1-18 Matthew 9. 35—10.20				
READINGS for Friday, 5th June 2020							
MP	Ps 69. 1-21	Nur	n 11. 16-17, 24-29	Gal	5. 13-end		
EP	Ps 69. 22-38; 75		Jer 31. 31-34	Mat	thew 18. 15-20		
READINGS for Sunday, 7th June 2020—Trinity Sunday							
Exodus 34. 1-9 Song of the Three (pg 399 of prayer book) 2 Cor 13. 5-14 John 3. 11-18							
Welcomer			To be advised				
Readers			Margaret Boardman and Rita Johnston				
Intercessions			Anne Ashworth				
MP	Pss 29; 33	Ex	odus 34. 1-10	Acts	2. 22-36		
EP	Pss 145; 150		Isa 40. 12-end	Mark 1	1. 1-13		

ROSTERS FOR MAY					
GARDENING	Helen Douglass				
MOWING ROSTER	Rick Fisher				

If you have any notices you would like to appear in the pew sheet, please e-mail them to me at

diapason16@gmail.com

by Wednesday evening—as the pew sheet is prepared on a Thursday in readiness for the coming Friday and Sunday.

Many thanks.

Lynn



The Challenge:

To create a fashionable, wearable garment or outfit from a pre-packed bag of second hand clothing. All garments to be modelled at the Recycled Runway Fashion Show on the 22nd of August (subject to Covid-19 restrictions)

Categories:

NOVICE Less than two years sewing experience

EXPERIENCED Former winners, former judges, former/current dressmaker

OPEN All adults other than experienced or novice HIGH SCHOOL High school students or younge

UNMODELLED Quilts, stuffed toys, bags, non clothing item

Collecting Your Bags:

Collect your pre-packed bags of clothing from the Anglican Church Hall. \$10 per bag with \$5 refunded when entry is lodged

Entries Open - Saturday 30th May

Bag Sales: Saturday & Sunday, 30 & 31 May, 10am - 12pm at the Anglican Church, Bay Road Mount Gambier. Drive thru available

Outfits to be lodged ready for judging by Monday 3 August, 4pm AT THE LATEST. To be handed back at the church hall

Like us on Facebook @RecycledRunwayMountGambier



Without the Holy Spirit we have no life in us, with the Holy Spirit we have the life of Jesus. Without the Holy Spirit we become closed in but with the Holy Spirit we reach out in mission to others. Without the Holy Spirit we return to the Upper Room in fear and anxiety but with the Holy Spirit we leave the Upper Room and witness to Jesus to the ends of the earth. Let us pray today for ourselves and the entire Church that we may all be renewed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Let us pray that the Holy spirit will fill us with His gifts and fruits.

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Staying in touch!!! Here's how:

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 (<u>the absolutely preferred method!</u>)
 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!

 Evening prayer is now being held via Zoom each Tuesday and Friday at 5.30pm—so please join in. To do this, you need to hit the 'control' key and then click on

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2016111974

Bible studies by Zoom to come shortly.

FREEZER MINISTRY FOR MAY

Anne England Jenny Bowman Elizabeth Hodges Rhonda Strickland



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; Alice Gladigau; John & Phillis Beaven (brother & sister-in-law of Alice); Marion McDonald (Lynn's sister); Shirley Stacpoole;

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—at present via email (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.

11.00am Friday services

Fr Neil has resumed the Eucharistic service at 11.00am on Fridays.

As numbers are limited to **10 people in attendance**, please contact Fr Neil (0478 085 894) if you would like to attend.

There will be a register of attendance with contact details kept, together with the requirements of hand sanitizing upon entry and exit to the service, as well as the observance of social distancing.

This will ensure that all in attendance are kept as safe as possible.

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 revised as follows — with the observance of social distancing and sanitizing regulations:

Maximum of 10 people in worship
Weddings (limited to 10 people attending)
Funerals (with a limit of 20 people—30 if service held outside)

Parish Council has been able to meet as the total number in attendance is less than 10 people—and other meetings such as Diocesan Council are being conducted via Zoom.



The Bell Tower Op Shop re-opened on Monday, 25th May 2020

(unfortunately, the provision of tea/coffee etc. will not be allowed during this time of restrictions)

The opening hours are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 9.30am to 12.30pm
Closed Wednesdays

Please note: Observance of all social distancing and sanitizing regulations will be in force for your protection and the protection of the workers.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

The following alert is a copy of an email from the Diocesan Registry that they have asked be brought to people's attention:

"It has come to our attention that people may have received an email appearing to be from Bishop Keith. **This is not the case.**

If you have received an email from "Rev. Keith Dalby bishop.murray.anglican@gmail.com" please do not reply. Please mark this email as Junk and delete it.

Bishop Keith would never send an email from a Gmail account and he would certainly never ask people to purchase gift cards on his behalf, or for any monetary gain, which is what these people go on to ask.

This matter has been reported to the police but if you have any concerns please contact the Registry Office".