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Pew Sheet

All notices/information for pew sheet to Parish Office **no later** than 9.00am Thursday mornings please

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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 in the Limestone Coast

Fr Neil (Nalini); Fr Wayne Corker; Fr Lyndon Sulzberger, Bishop Michael Hough

Parish Counsellors, Christ Church

Richard Strickland, Helen Douglass, Richard Mills, Brian Smith,
Lynn Fisher, Dick Hamson, Graham Savage, Sandy Coulson

If you wish to make a bequest to the church, please follow the instructions on the Regulation for Bequests form which is available from the back of the church.

The Anglican Parish of Mount Gambier

**Christ Church
Mount Gambier**

**St Luke's
Mount Schank**

Easter 2 : 1st May 2022



Feed my lambs



As a Christian community, we acknowledge and pay respect to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of the lands on which we gather and meet.

We pay our respects to the Elders—past, present and future.

***Wearing of face masks is no longer mandatory.
However, you may—as a matter of personal choice—choose to wear one
when attending any services, the Bell Tower Op Shop
or meetings at the church.
Hand sanitizing is still strongly recommended.***

From Fr Neil

Feed my lambs

The readings of today's especially the gospel remind us that God does not stop searching for us or loving us because we have denied or sinned against Him, but He takes the initiative of restoring the broken friendship with Him by offering us another opportunity to make amends, to love and to enter into a deeper and more committed friendship with Him.

You may have come across Gary Chapman's book titled 5 love languages: How to express Heartfelt Commitment to Your Mate. In this book Chapman explains 5 different ways in which people demonstrate love: Gifts; Quality time; Words of Affirmation and Encouragement; Committed service to the other and Intimacy. Chapman observes that the best way to know the love language to speak to a beloved one is to observe closely how the person expresses love to other people.

Jesus was a polyglot and spoke so many love languages. He spoke the language of love in his incarnation when he came to live in the world; he spoke the language of love to people in dire need (for example, at the Wedding at Cana, in the multiplication of food for the crowd, in raising the only child of a widow, etc.); he eloquently expressed the language of love in his ministry to the sick and sinners; furthermore, he spoke the ultimate language of love by laying down his life to redeem his people. He taught his disciples, "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" (John 15:13).

Gospel tells the post-resurrection story of our merciful Saviour who goes in search of His band of disappointed and dejected disciples. The incident proves that Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances were not mere hallucinations. In the first part of today's Gospel, the risen Jesus appears to His disciples and gives them a symbol of their mission in a miraculous catch of fish followed by a grilled fish breakfast prepared by Jesus himself. The second part is a dialogue between Jesus and Simon where Simon is asked three times whether he loves Jesus, and he answers that he does, as if in reparation for his triple denial of Jesus.

The two metaphors used in the story, namely fishing and shepherding, are the duties of the Church in her missionary work. Peter, as a forgiven sinner, is chosen for the quality of his love to serve as a leader in a community of brothers and sisters. As his primary mission, Peter is given the care of the vulnerable lambs and sheep, and he is told that fidelity to this mission will lead him to martyrdom.

Don't forget that the risen Lord is always with us in every difficulty and challenges of life. He is always ready to see us through when we recommit our lives to Him. Like the Apostles who made a miraculous catch, so shall we experience

Sunday, 1st May 2022 : Easter 2			
Acts 27b—32, 40-41	Ps 30	Rev 5. 11-14	John 21. 1-19
Server	Darren Schunke		
Readers	Brian Smith / Raylene Milligan		
Intercessions	Anne Ashworth		
Sound desk	Trevor Christopher		
Flowers	Robyn Sweetnam		
Morning Tea	Helen Douglass / Denise McDonald / Maree McIntyre		
SUNDAY, 8th May 2022 : Easter 3 Mother's Day			
Acts 13. 43-52	Ps 100	Rev 7. 9-17	John 10. 27-30
Server	Julienne Feast		
Readers	David Glover / Julienne Feast		
Intercessions	Rick Fisher		
Sound desk	Trudy-Anne Doyle		
Flowers	Rhonda Strickland		
Morning Tea	Raylene Milligan / Beryl Heard / Jenny Tilby		

ROSTERS FOR	MAY
GARDENING	Richard Strickland
MOWING ROSTER	Richard Strickland
FOOD and FREEZER MINISTRY	N.B. Due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to hand out home cooked goods to people presenting for Emergency Relief. However, pre-prepared goods such as frozen packaged foods are acceptable.

From: Richard Mills – Rosters co-ordinator

For one reason or another we have lost some people from our various rosters. Would you consider volunteering to cover one of the available vacancies please? The filled rosters are also open to any new faces who would like to add their name to the current lists of helpers. The more names we have, the easier the sharing of the tasks becomes – even a commitment to once per month or even once every 2 months or even just as a reserve.

Please consider if you would like to be added to any of the following needs in our 9.30 Sunday service:

READERS **	MORNING TEA **
SERVER	EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANT
ELEMENTS	SOUND DESK **
INTERCESSIONS **	FOOD BASKET
WELCOMER	SIDES PERSONS

**** URGENT CURRENT NEED**

Any necessary training will be provided, and you will be “broken in” gently ! Please contact me on 0409 722 030 or email rmillsse@bigpond.com or talk with any of the existing roster members. Hope you can help

Warm regards

miracles in our lives when we draw closer to the risen Christ and love Him with our hearts. The Risen Lord is present in our Christian worship: He is present on our altars during the Holy Mass to share His life with us; He is present in the words of Holy Scripture; He is there in the Sacraments and He is there where two or three are gathered in his name (Matthew 18: 20).

Let's us recommit and open up ourselves to God so that He can use us as instruments in caring for His suffering, sick, abandoned and vulnerable children. Let the lyrics of a song in Godspell be our daily prayer:

“Day by day,
Oh dear Lord, three things I pray;
May I know Thee more clearly,
Love Thee more dearly,
Follow Thee more nearly

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FUNDRAISING NEWS – THERE'S PLENTY OF IT!!

The Fundraising Team have the following events planned for the next couple of months. Your help with any of these events would be greatly appreciated.

Saturday 21st May Election Day : Sausage sizzle

7.30am – 12.30pm.

At least 3 helpers required each shift: cook, serving, taking money.

Please put your name on the roster in the church if you can help.

Setting up from 7.00am.

Enquiries: Jeff Bowman 0487486260

Saturday 28th May : Garage Sale & Mini Market

8.30am – 12.30am

Stalls will include **Produce, Craft & Plants** as well as the **shed**.

Setting up from 7.00am

We would like to have at least **ONE FOOD** stall such as soup on the day.

If anyone is willing to make soup and/or oversee the selling of it or has another idea, please contact Jeff B 0487 486 260 before 15th May.

WOOD RAFFLE

We have been offered a TRAILER LOAD OF WOOD to raffle during June/July and are planning to commence selling tickets at the Mini Market. **Please contact Jeff if you would be willing to sell tickets at the Mini Market for a couple of hours.**

Either 8.30am – 10.30am or 10.30am – 12.30pm.

We would also appreciate parishioners taking a booklet of tickets to sell as we did last year with the Petrol Raffle. Tickets will be available after 28th May.

The raffle will be drawn at our **Parish Meat Pie & Mash Luncheon** in the hall on **Sunday, 17th July**. More details about this event closer to the time.

KEEP THIS DATE FREE : SUNDAY, 17TH JULY

Parish Meat Pie & Mash Luncheon.



We welcome the parents, godparents and friends of Oliver Mitchell Allen who is being baptised into our parish family today.

PARISH BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

MAY

4th Bob Lynch
17th Cliffie Cox
25th Jenny Bowman
30th Catherine Gerard

JUNE

5th Rick Fisher
6th Val Collins
9th Bev Hamson
19th Ryan Searcy



We wish them all a very happy birthday!!



If you would like your name on the birthday list, please contact the Parish Office so that your details can be included.

Thank you

Pray for those who are unwell and for each other

Val Linder; Sue Ongley; Maree & Bob Lynch; Joe Maier; Wendy Monger & Don Currie; Shirley Stacpoole; Terry Wilson; Anne Barry (Glen Solomons' godmother); Allan Hincks;

Pray for the repose of the souls of those near and dear to each one of us and for those whose yearly remembrance occurs 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—preferably via email (including your name and the name of the person for whom prayers are required). Forms for this purpose can also be found at the back of the church.



The Bell Tower Op Shop opening hours are:

Monday to Friday 10.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 9.30am to 12.30pm

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

Please note : Strict observance of all social distancing and sanitizing regulations are in force for your protection and the protection of the attendees at services and the Op Shop workers.

Wearing of face masks is no longer mandatory. However, you may—as a matter of personal choice—choose to wear one when attending any services, the Bell Tower Op Shop or meetings at the church.

Prayer during COVID 19

Our heavenly Father, we come before you with contrite hearts, yearning for your comfort and your grace. In the midst of COVID 19 spreading across the globe, we ask in your mercy that you would stop this plague and restore harmony and health to the nations.

And we pray for the families, especially those who have lost loved ones to this disease, or those suffering from its effects. May we know the peace that passes all understanding, as we place our trust in Jesus, in whose powerful name we pray.
Amen.

Services and events in the Parish

Fr Neil conducts 3 services weekly at Christ Church as follows:

Friday 11.00am

Sunday 8.00am and 9.30am

Maximum of 100 attendees per service @ Christ Church

And 1 service at St Luke's, Mount Schank on the 2nd Sunday of each month

Maximum of 31 attendees per service @ St Luke's

Numbers attending services are limited within the body of the church due to COVID social distancing requirements and square meterage available

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2nd & 4th Thurs	4.00-5.00pm	Fr Neil visits Mt Gambier Prison
Mondays	5.15-6.30pm	Meditation Group in Ashworth Room
Tuesdays	5.00pm	Evening Prayer via ZOOM
Wednesdays	1.00-3.00pm	Craft Group meets in Ashworth Room
1st & 3rd 3rd Thursdays	3.30-4.00pm 4.00-5.00pm	Tea and coffee Charismatic prayer group in St Margaret's Chapel

Thurs, 12 May	9.30am	Men Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry
Sat, 21 May	7.30am	Election Day Sausage Sizzle
Sat, 28 May:	8.30am	Garage Sale & Mini Market
Tues, 7 June	3.15pm	Fundraising Team meeting

