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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; 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 (Berrin)

**Christ Church
Mount Gambier (Berrin)**

**St Luke's
Mount Schank (Parreen)**

Trinity 15 : 25th September 2022



Gods Creation was good

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 emerging.

Wearing of face masks is no longer mandatory.
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when attending any services, the Bell Tower Op Shop
or meetings at the church.
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From Fr Neil

God's creation is good

“Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest?” ~Luke 12:24-26

When God created you—fish of the sea and birds of the air and creatures of the land—God looked at all God had created, and God saw that “indeed, it was very good!” (Gen. 1:12, 18, 21, 25, 31) God wants all of us to survive and to thrive on Earth. God created the world for us, so that we have what we need to live.

God wants us to receive our “food in due season” and to be “filled with good things” (Ps. 104: 27-28)

The Bible tells us that when the flood came, God rescued each of your species through Noah in the ark. And God made a covenant with fish of the sea and birds of the air and domestic animals and all animals on Earth to protect you for the future (Gen. 9:8-17). God made the first “endangered species act.”

Just like us, creation is called to worship God. The hills are to clap their hands. The fields are to exalt (Ps. 148). You cattle and dogs and cats are to praise God by being who you are and exalting in it. John the seer had a vision in which he heard the entire creation—everything in heaven, on the earth, under the earth and in the sea—cry out in praise: “Blessing and honour and glory and power be to our God and to the lamb forever and ever” (Rev. 5:13).

St. Francis of Assisi taught us to see ourselves spiritually connected with animals and all of creation. He made spirituality more natural, earthy, simple. Jesus said to “consider the birds of the air,” and St. Francis took him up on that. We and the animals are created by God. As part of creation, they reflect the Creator. This is stated no better than in a song by the American Christian songwriter Wendy J. Francisco in her song *G O D and D O G*.

SUNDAY, 25th September 2022 : Trinity 15			
8.00am Eucharist;		9.30am Pet Service	
Amos 6: 1-7	Psalm 146	1 Timothy 6: 11-16	Luke 16: 19-31
Server			
Readers			
Intercessions			
Sound desk			
Flowers			
Morning Tea			
SUNDAY, 2nd October 2022: Trinity 16			
8.00am Eucharist		9.30am Eucharist	
Hab 1. 1-4m 2.1-4	Psalm 95. 1-9	2 Timothy 1. 6-8, 13-14	Luke 17, 5-10
Server	Trevor Christopher / Darren Schunke		
Readers	Denise McDonald, Helen Douglass		
Intercessions	Anne Ashworth		
Sound desk	Richard Mills		
Flowers			
Morning Tea	Helen , Denise & Maree		

ROSTERS FOR	SEPTEMBER
GARDENING	Fran Laslett
MOWING ROSTER	Darryll Grant
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.



INDOOR GAMES IN CHURCH HALL
from 3.00—5.00pm

Every Saturday—all welcome.

There are board games for all to enjoy—so come and join in the fun.

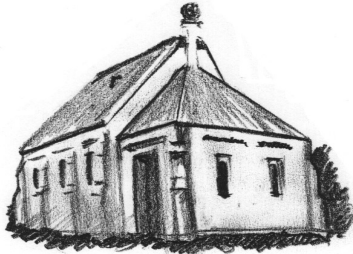
GARAGE SALE & MINI MARKET NEWS

We have changed the date of our final Garage Sale & Mini Market for this year from 26th November to **SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER** to avoid a clash with the “Festival of Carols & Culture” which is planned for Sunday 27th November. We hope to have several stalls such as **Produce, Craft, Cakes & Plants** as well as some attractions for children. We would also like to be able to offer **morning tea. If anyone is willing to organise this or another stall/attraction please contact Jeff B on 0487486260.**
Fundraising Team

Op Shop seasonal change-over

The seasonal change-over for the Op Shop is happening on the long weekend, Saturday, 1st to Monday, 3rd October.

Patronal Festival of St.Luke’s Mount Schank
Sunday 9th October at 11.30am
Presided by Bishop Keith Dalby
Followed by lunch at the Bellum Hotel
All Welcome



I look up and I see God, I look down and see my dog.
Simple spelling G O D, same word backwards, D O G.
They would stay with me all day. I’m the one who walks away.
But both of them just wait for me, and dance at my return with glee.
Both love me no matter what – divine God and canine mutt.
I take it hard each time I fail, but God forgives, dog wags his tail.
God thought up and made the dog, dog reflects a part of God.
I’ve seen love from both sides now, it’s everywhere, amen, bow wow.
I look up and I see God, I look down and see my dog.
And in my human frailty . . . I can’t match their love for me.

Some might wonder why we honour Animal Blessing Sunday in the church. Some might even think it a little strange and a little less than reverent. Yes, it is fun, and yes, it is a chance to bless our animal friends and pets. But even more importantly, it is a collective reminder to all of us—both inside and outside the church— that we are part of Creation. And as members of Creation, we still have a lot to learn. Creation did not end with the creation story in Genesis. As Napoleon Bonaparte once said about his horse, “Marengo,” “When I lost my way, I was accustomed to throw the reins on his neck, and he always discovered places where I, with all my observation and boasted superior knowledge, could not.” Or as the writer of Job wrote: ‘But ask the animals, and they will teach you; the birds of the air, and they will tell you; ...and the fish of the sea will declare to you. In his hand is the life of very living thing...’ (Job 12: 7, 8b, 10a)
Cf. Internet

We Pray for Peace in the World

God of peace and Justice, we pray for people in places where there is war, violence and civil unrest.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those in power — that wisdom, discernment and compassion guide their decisions. Help them hear the cries of their people.

Above all we pray for the people of the Ukraine, Russia and Sri Lanka—at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them and provide for their needs.

Amen.



The Bell Tower Op Shop opening hours are:

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

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.*

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PARISH BIRTHDAY CALENDAR



SEPTEMBER

13th	James Allen	22nd	Virginia Kuhl
14th	Trevor Christopher	29th	Barbara Wardley
22nd	Raylene Milligan		

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); Sandy Coulson; Betty and Max Wright

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.

Services and events in the Parish

There are 4 services conducted weekly at Christ Church as follows:

Friday	11.00am
Sunday	8.00am and 9.30am
	10.45am in hall (1st & 3rd Sundays)
	(commencing after school holidays)

And 1 service at St Luke's, Mount Schank on the 2nd Sunday of each month @ 11.30am

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2nd & 4th Thurs	4.00-5.00pm	Fr Neil visits Mt Gambier Prison
3rd Thurs	7.p.m	Pro Life meetings
Wednesdays	8.00am 1.00-3.00pm	Ministers' prayer and Association meeting Craft Group meets in Ashworth Room
Mondays	5.15-6.30pm	Meditation Group in Ashworth Room
Wednesdays	1.00-3.00pm	Craft Group meets in Ashworth Room
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Sun, 25 Sept	9.30am	Pet Service
Sat, 1 Oct—Mon, 3 Oct		Op Shop seasonal changeover
Sat, 12 Nov		Garage Sale and Mini Market

