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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; 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 20 : 30th October 2022**



*Amazing grace saves me*



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.

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or meetings at the church.  
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*From Fr Neil*

### **AMAZING GRACE SAVES ME**



The mercy of God is an all-embracing mercy and it breaks down the barriers that man erects. The Gospel of today taken from Luke 19:1-10, gives us the image of God as a Father who sent his Son to seek out what was lost.

The gospel tells us the story of Zacchaeus who climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus. Zacchaeus was a Chief tax collector. He is characterized in three ways: He was a Jew, a chief tax collector and a wealthy man. He was wealthy but was not happy. Inevitably he was lonely, for he had chosen a way that made him an outcast. He had no respect in the society. He had wealth, but not salvation; he had money but no respect. He was despised and hated by all. Materially speaking, he was comfortably rich, but he noticed that his addiction to money and greed was continually making him a miserable and hated man. He observed that despite the size of his wealth he was spiritually empty. He heard about Jesus and ran ahead of the crowd and climbed a sycamore tree in order to catch glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus saw him, he told him: "Zacchaeus, get down from the tree". It was an invitation to turn away from his pride and to leave his life of isolation and selfishness. When he obeyed the Lord's command, his process of conversion began. His conversion was completed with his promise to amend his life.

Zacchaeus' contact with Jesus made him a changed man. He was willing to stop his habit of overcharging taxes. He was willing to give up his addiction to greed. He was willing to pay four times everyone whom he defrauded (restitution). By so doing he was not only asking for forgiveness from God but also from individuals and the community, which he had offended. Zacchaeus threw a big party to celebrate his conversion. Zacchaeus represents all sinners, and the Sycamore in the Gospel became the image of the Church as a place of refuge.

To be successful in life, we must be determined in what we are doing. We should work hard to achieve our goals. Zacchaeus couldn't see Jesus because of his short stature, but he was determined to see Him. He climbed a tree to see Him. Zacchaeus knew that to retain Jesus, he had to give up some of his ill-gotten wealth. He said to Jesus: "I'm going to give half of my wealth to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody, I will pay him back four times". Restitution is necessary.

SUNDAY, 30th October 2022 : Trinity 20			
8.00am—Eucharist		9.30am—Eucharist & Healing Service	
Hos 14. 1-7	Ps 145	2 Thess 1. 11-2.2	Luke 19. 1-10
Server		Darren Schunke	
Readers		Trevor and Sue Christopher	
Intercessions		Rick Fisher	
Sound desk		Trudy-Anne Doyle	
Flowers		Roma Driscoll	
Morning Tea		The Men	
SUNDAY, 6th November 2022 : Trinity 21			
8.00am—Eucharist		9.30am—Pathways Service	
Mal 3. 16-18	Ps 17. 6-12	2 Thess 2. 16-3.5	Luke 20. 27-38
Server		Darren Schunke	
Readers		Robyn Ashby / Bill Hudd	
Intercessions		Anne Ashworth	
Sound desk		Richard Mills	
Flowers		—	
Morning Tea		Helen Douglass / Denise McDonald / Maree McIntyre	

ROSTERS FOR	OCTOBER
GARDENING 	Helen Douglass
 MOWING ROSTER	Graham Savage
FOOD and FREEZER MINISTRY	<b>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.</b>

**A call for help!**

For the angels and shepherds that we hope will adorn the Float, we're in search of suitable lanterns, some rope to hang the same, toy sheep, chickens and other stable mates of suitable size, angel wings and haloes, plus trumpets that herald the Good News of Christ's birth; and an all-weather shelter that can be safely attached to a trailer for all weather possibilities!!!

Please see what you can think of! *Any suggestions and offers of help gladly received!*

Kaylene Barreira, on behalf of the Children's Ministry.



The Bush Church Aid presentation by John Warner at the services last



**A BIG** thank you to those parishioners who came and supported the ac.care AGM on Wednesday, 26th October. Your support and prayers are very much appreciated.

Rick Fisher

**LATE NIGHT OP SHOPPING  
Tuesday, 8th November 2022  
4.00pm—7.00pm**

Participants:

ADRA, 71 Suttontown Road

Salvation Army Thrift, 60 Gray Street

Lifeline Shop, 42 Commercial St West

Church of Christ, 60 Jubilee Highway East

Vinnies, 2 Crouch Street South

Anglican Bell Tower, 26 Bay Rd

Please see flyer in church for more details.

**Lych Gate**

Parish Council has approved necessary repairs to the Lych Gate.



However, the cost will be quite considerable, so if you are in a position to contribute to the repair costs, please place it in an envelope marked **LYCH GATE REPAIRS** and either put it in the collection plate or return it to the Parish Office.

The figure of Zacchaeus should teach us that no one is beyond the reach of God's grace. Every soul is very dear to him. There are many people today who are looking for Jesus like Zacchaeus but they have no opportunity and courage to do so like him. Zacchaeus overcame his smallness and the social stigma through his dedication. How dedicated are we in our spiritual matters? How dedicated are we in our responsibilities? There can be no devout devotion without dedication, and no dedication without determination.

We should not abandon hope, even in our difficult moments. God's mercy will always be greater than our poor human limitations. Despite our unworthiness, God calls us, forgives us and nurtures us to spiritual well-being. Let's turn to Christ now.

Like Zacchaeus, we should invite Jesus in our hearts and surrender all we have to Him. Jesus is our Saviour. Let us pray in the words of St Augustine: *"I entrust my past to your mercy; my present to your grace and my future to your providence."*

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**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.



A celebratory lunch @ The Foodie Bar enjoyed by parishioners marking the making of 100 woven bath mats by Kathy McIntosh and the Craft Group members.

**Name Badges**

There has been limited response to the appeal for names on the list to purchase new name badges. If we don't reach a minimum number of orders, the price will not remain as low as it currently is.

If you wish to purchase a name badge, please place your name on the list at the back of the church **ASAP**.



### 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



#### OCTOBER

1st	Margaret Boardman	24th	Elizabeth Hodges
3rd	Roma Driscoll	26th	Jeff Bowman
15th	Tim Hawkes	27th	Rita Johnston
17th	Otfried Linder	28th	Diane Burton

*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:

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

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	7.00pm	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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Thurs, 3 Nov	9.00am	Fundraising Team Meeting in Ashworth Room
Tues, 8 Nov	4.00pm—7.00pm	Late Night Op Shopping
Thurs, 10 Nov	9.30am	Men Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry
Sat, 12 Nov	8.30am—12.30pm	Garage Sale and Mini Market

CMS are holding a Summer Conference "One Message Diverse World" on Saturday, 21.1.2023 @ the Edwardstown Baptist Church. See flyer in Vestry for more information.



### 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