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We pray for the Diocese of The Murray and Parish Council Members
Bishop Keith Dalby; Fr Des Ackland (Raelene)

and in the Limestone Coast

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

Parish Councillors. Christ Church

Richard Strickland, Helen Douglass, Brian Smith, Lynn Fisher, Dick Hamson, Graham Savage; David Glover; Rick Fisher

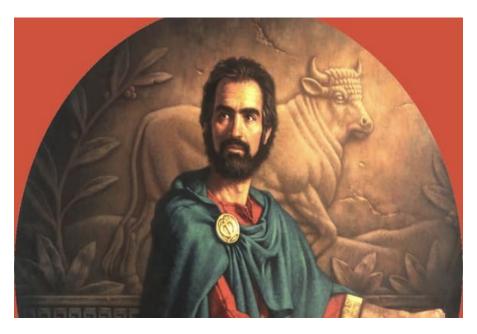
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# The Anglican Parish of Mount Gambier (Berrin)

Christ Church
Mount Gambier (Berrin)

St Luke's Mount Schank (Parreen)

# 8th October 2023 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



# Make Christ known



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.

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

# From Fr Neil

### MAKE CHRIST KNOWN

Today on this feast of St. Luke the evangelist, it's worthwhile to ponder his life. He was a young doctor, very likely in Antioch. St. Paul calls him a "beloved physician" (Col 4:14). At some point, however, it appears to have occurred at Troas, he began to accompany St. Paul, based on when he started to use the word "we" in the Acts of the Apostles. He gave up his medical career in order to become a "co-worker" (Philemon 24) of St. Paul. He loyally stayed with St. Paul until the end, being the sole coworker in prison in Rome with the apostle at the end of his life when St. Paul wrote today's first reading to St. Timothy. There's no indication at all that he was a leading light during St. Paul's missionary journeys. He was simply a companion and a helper. But after St. Paul died, he wrote down for a friend — Theophilus, which could have been one person, or could have stood for all of us, as a "God-lover" — what he remembered. Little did St. Luke know when he was writing his orderly account for Theophilus that billions of people would eventually read it. As a continuation of the 72 lay "non-apostle evangelizers" Jesus sent out in the Gospel, he just wanted to share the faith and God did the rest. "Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us," he wrote in the introduction to the Gospel that bears his name, "I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received." Then he continued the story with a second book, a sequel, about how the Holy Spirit came down on the apostles and the early Church to continue Jesus' mission. St. Luke wanted to write things down so that we would be certain about the things of the faith. Without his efforts, so many aspects of Jesus' teaching we may never have learned. We wouldn't know the details about John the Baptist's conception and birth or the drama of the scenes of the Annunciation, Visitation, Presentation of Jesus in the Temple and the finding of Jesus in the Temple. We wouldn't know of the beautiful scene of the raising of the only son of the widow of Nain. We wouldn't know of today's Gospel and the mission of the seventy disciples. We wouldn't have entered Bethany with Jesus to hear Jesus' words to Martha and Mary about choosing the better part and the one thing necessary. We wouldn't have the Parable of the Good Samaritan. We wouldn't have the scene of the healing of the ten lepers, the encounter with Zacchaeus, Jesus' interrogation by Herod, or two of Jesus seven last words. We wouldn't have the scene of Emmaus, which is in some sense summarizes all that Jesus continues to want to do in the Church. So today we thank God for the great gift that he has given us through the faithful cooperation of the beloved physician who became St. Paul's coworker faithfully to the end, as St. Paul tells Timothy in today's first reading. He died at 84 in the region of Boeotia in Roman Greece, after a very long life of service to God, and after having bestowed on us the wonders of his work in the Scriptures, which enriched our knowledge of God and His truth.

| SUNDAY,8th October 2023 : Nineteenth Sunday after   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Pentecost<br>8.00am—Communion : 9.30am— Communion   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Isaiah 5.1-7 Ps 80. 7-15  | Phil 4.6-9 Matthew 21. 33-46              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Server  | Julienne Feast                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Welcomer  | Trudy-Anne Doyle                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Readers   | Margaret Boardman & Rita Johnston         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intercessions   | Julienne Feast                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sound desk  | Richard Mills                             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Morning Tea   | Raylene Milligan,Beryl Heard, Jenny Tilby |  |  |  |  |  |
| Flowers   | Jan Hunt                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SUNDAY, 15TH October 2023 : Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost 8.00am—Communion : 9.30am —Communion |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Philippians 1-9 Matthew 22: 1   | -14 Isaiah 25: 1-9; Psalm 23              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Server  | Julienne Feast                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Welcomer  | Helen Douglass                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Readers   | Richard Mills, David Glover               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intercessions   | Richard Mills                             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sound desk  | Trevor Christopher                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Morning Tea   | Dianne Burton & Virginia Kuhl             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Flowers   | Jan Hunt                                  |  |  |  |  |  |

| ROSTERS FOR                     | OCTOBER  |  |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| GARDENING                       | Helen Douglass   |  |
| MOWING ROSTER                   | Graham Savage  |  |
| FOOD and<br>FREEZER<br>MINISTRY | When preparing meals for the freezer, please remember to list all ingredients in the meal, and the date on which it was prepared. Pre-prepared goods such as frozen packaged foods and meals are acceptable. |  |

# Pray for those people who are unwell and for each other

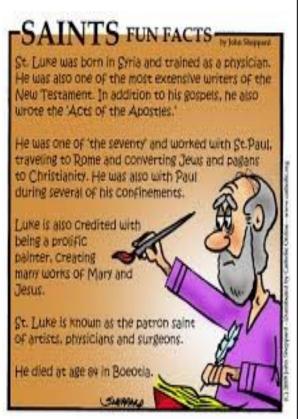
Sue Ongley; Maree Lynch; Joe Maier; Shirley Stacpoole; Sandy Coulson; Anne Barry (Glen Solomons' godmother); Betty and Max Wright;

**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.



# Australian Anglican Church Calendar 2024

The calendar is available again this year, with St Paul's, Naracoorte featuring.

If you order through the church, the calendars cost \$15.00 each (plus postage).

If 7 to 25 calendars are ordered, the cost will be \$14.00 each (plus postage).

Please place your name on the list at the back of the church if you would like to purchase one of the calendars.



We should focus in a particular way about how his "orderly account" is all about how Christ has come as the Divine Physician to share his healing mercy with us. On this day, we can't stop at merely praising St. Luke and thanking God for him and for his orderly account. God wants us in our own way to become St. Luke's to our age. No matter what our profession, God wants us to accompany him and his apostles.

He wants us first to become their coworkers. But then having learned from them, he wants us to use whatever skills we have to pass on the faith. Luke was in fact a diligent workman in the service of the Gospel. May we be inspired to do our work with the same care as he did in composing his Gospel and Acts so that one man, Theophilus, could come to know with certainty that Jesus is Lord.

Today all of us are called to heed the Lord's call, to be His faithful and committed disciples, doing His will and walking down His glorious path. We do not have to do great and wonderful things. Rather, in our own daily living and in everything we do, we should strive to do our best, to show our faith in God and to be inspiration to one another.

We are all called to walk down this path of discipleship, with our respective gifts and talents, with all that God has given to us. Let us be inspired and walk in the path which St. Luke has shown us, that we too may bear rich fruits in faith from now on. Cf. Internet

# The Feast of Saint Luke

St. Luke's Mount Schank 11.30am Bishop Keith presiding.

Lunch at the Bellum Hotel following the service Come and enjoy a time of fellowship and celebration of this special day.



a.c.care AGM 25th October @ 5.30pm At the Riddoch Cultural & Arts centre All welcome

## **Forthcoming Parish Events**

| MONTH | DAY                 | DATE             | TIME                        | ACTIVITY   | ORGANISED<br>BY |
|-------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------|
|       |                     |                  |                             |  |                 |
|       |                     |                  |                             |  |                 |
| ОСТ   | Sun                 | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 8.00am<br>9.30am            | Communion<br>Communion   | Choir           |
|       | Tues                | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 3.15pm                      | Fundraising meeting in Ashworth Room   |                 |
|       | Sun                 | 8 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.00am<br>9.30am<br>11.30am | Communion - Bishop Keith officiating<br>Pathways - Bishop Keith officiating<br>St Luke's Patronal Festival - Bishop<br>Keith | CMG             |
|       | Thurs               | 12 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30am                      | Men Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast<br>Pantry  |                 |
|       | Sun                 | 15 <sup>th</sup> | 8.00am<br>9.30am            | Communion<br>Communion   | Choir           |
|       | Tues                | 17th             | 2.00pm                      | Ladies Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry  |                 |
|       | Sun                 | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | 8.00am<br>9.30am            | Communion<br>Pathways Service  | CMG             |
|       | Mon<br>to<br>Friday | 23rd<br>to 27th  |                             | Annual Clergy Retreat at Seven Hills   |                 |
|       | Sun                 | 29 <sup>th</sup> | 8.00am<br>9.30am            | Communion Communion - Healing Service  |                 |
| _     |                     | 29 <sup>th</sup> |                             | City Wide Service - Ministers'<br>Association  |                 |

NB Father Neil will be away from the Parish 13th & 14th October to attend Diocesan Council meeting in Murray Bridge.

### PARISH BIRTHDAY CALENDAR



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

We wish all of them 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

# Services in the Mt Gambier Parish

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

Friday 11.00am

Sunday 8.00am and 9.30am

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

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 santizing is still recommended.

2nd & 4th Thurs 4.00-5.00pm Fr Neil visits Mt Gambier Prison

3rd Thurs 7.00pm Pro Life meetings

Wednesdays 8.00am Ministers' prayer and Association meeting

1.00-3.00pm Craft Group meets in Ashworth Room

**Boandik Service** 

Mondays and Thursdays

1st & 3rd Fridays

5.15-6.30pm

Meditation Group in Ashworth Room

1st Tuesday of month St Mary's

1st Friday of month Healing service

2nd Thursday of month The Oaks
2nd Tuesday of month Resthaven

#### SOLOS AND PAIRS

It's up and running again!

Dinner at Mac's Hotel was held at 5.30pm in the Bistro, Friday 29th September. Currently, it's a tentative booking for 12 people. If you wish to attend, please indicate on the sheet at the rear of the church so that definite numbers can be confirmed. Next date TBA Many thanks



# The Bell Tower Op Shop

# Opening hours are:

Monday to Friday 10.00am to 3.00pm

Saturday 9.30am to 12.30pm

#### **FAITH RUNS DEEP**

Fr Neil is conducting sessions in the church at 10.00am commencing on Tuesday, 5th September.

Everyone welcome.