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Pew Sheet

All notices/information for pew
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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; 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

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)**

**29th October 2023
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**



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.

LOVE GOD THROUGH YOUR NEIGHBOUR

This week’s Gospel follows close behind the Gospel read last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. This reminds us that the context for today’s reading is the mounting tension between Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem.

The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection (see Matthew 22:22-33). The third question, considered in today’s Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments. Jesus sums up the law with love for God and neighbour. This theme focuses on the core ethical guidelines in religious practice. Jesus unifies love for God and love for neighbour into a single teaching. This shows the interconnectedness of religious devotion and social ethics.

Today, the church reminds us of the most important theological virtue, love. In a most special way, Jesus gives us the two dimensions of love. Jesus presents us with, first the vertical dimension of love: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your soul....”. It is important to note that to love God with one’s body and soul requires a lot of sacrifice, and humility. To love God is the most important requisite of being like him.

The second dimension of love is the horizontal: “You must love your neighbour as yourself?” This is more difficult than the first. This is because, we neglect and take it for granted. This is, by thinking that we can love God alone without loving our neighbours.

Hence, Christ reminds us that: “If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother/sister whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen” (1Jn 4, 20). So, the best way of expressing our love for God is through our neighbours.

The Gospel emphasizes that love is not just a feeling, but also an action. It suggests that genuine love for God manifests in love for others. Therefore, in talking of love, charity must begin at home, with your neighbour, with your friends and those around you. When these are perfectly lived, a Christian can conveniently say, I have lived well.

SUNDAY, 29th October 2023 : Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost 8.00am—Communion : 9.30am Holy Communion/Healing Service.			
Deut 34: 1-12	Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17	1 Thess. 1: 1-13	Matthew 22: 34-46
Server	Julienne Feast		
Welcomer	Jeff Bowman		
Readers	David Clarkson / Anne Ashworth		
Intercessions	Rick Fisher		
Sound desk	Richard Mills		
Morning Tea	The Men		
Flowers	Elizabeth Hodges / Olna Green		
SUNDAY, 2023 : Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost 8.00am—Communion : 9.30am—All Souls Memorial Garden Service			
Revelation 7. 9-17	Ps 34. 1-10, 22	1 John 3. 1-3	Matthew 5: 1-12
Server	Julienne Feast		
Welcomer	Faye Hill		
Readers	Lynn and Rick Fisher		
Intercessions	Sue Christopher		
Sound	Robyn Ashby		
Morning Tea	Denise McDonald / Helen Douglass / Maree McIntyre		
Flowers	Roma Driscoll		

ROSTERS FOR	OCTOBER
GARDENING 	Helen Douglass
 MOWING ROSTER	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
FOOD and FREEZER 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; Vera Wolfenden

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



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 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



Love God through your neighbour

FUNDRAISING NEWS UPDATE

Our next **Mini Market & Shed Clearance** will be on **Saturday, 11th November.**

Fundraising Team

For Your Info

At the last Parish Council meeting it was reported in the financial report that as at the end of September 2023, the total giving is *under budget* by \$4,496.45.

Please put this matter to prayer and see if we can significantly reduce this deficit by the end of the year.

Friday, 27th October

As Fr Neil will be away on Retreat, the 11.00am service will be Morning Prayer conducted by Julianne Feast.

URGENT ; YOUR HELP IS NEEDED !!!!!!!

There are **3** tasks/issues that currently need your help.

1st Recovering of the pin-up boards in the hall.
If you would like to help with this task, please speak to Lynn as soon as possible. One person has volunteered, but a third pair of hands would be good. It is hoped to have them completed by the middle of November.

2nd WHS Committee.
To be compliant with State Legislation, the church has to adhere to WHS guidelines.

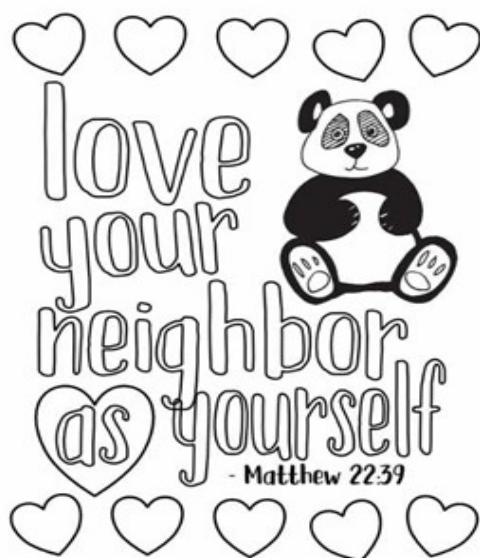
Currently, Kathy MacIntosh has put up her hand, but she needs help. It would be ideal to have a committee of 3-4 people to help share the load.

Please speak to Kathy as soon as possible if you can help her with this vital aspect of our church life.

3rd Mowing Roster
There is a vacancy on the mowing roster. It entails using the ride-on mower and push mower. The frequency amounts to approx. 3 times a year that your services would be required. Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible if you can help with this task.

Forthcoming Parish Events

MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	ORGANISED BY
OCT	Mon to Friday	23rd to 27th		Annual Clergy Retreat at Seven Hills	
	Sun	29 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Communion - Healing Service	
		29 th		City Wide Service - Ministers' Association	
	Tues	31st	3.15pm	Fundraising Committee meeting in Ashworth Room	
NOV	Sun	5 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion All Souls Memorial Garden Service	CMG
	Thurs	9 th	9.30am	Men Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry	
	Sat	11 th	8.30am	Mini Market and Shed Clearance	
	Sun	12 th	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Communion All Souls Memorial Garden Service St Luke's, Mt Schank	Choir
	Sun	19 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Pathways Service	CMG
	Tues	21 st	2.00pm	Ladies Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry	
	Sun	26 th	9.00am	Christ Church Patronal Festival Bishop Keith presiding followed by a parish luncheon (1 service only today)	Choir



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 sanitizing 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 1.00-3.00pm	Ministers' prayer and Association meeting Craft Group meets in Ashworth Room
Mondays and Thursdays	5.15-6.30pm	Meditation Group in Ashworth Room
1st & 3rd Fridays		Boandik Service
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

*Held on the last Friday of
each month*

27th October @ 5.30pm is
the next meeting—to be
held at the Foodie Bar,
93 Commercial Street West,
Mt Gambier.

All welcome.

Please contact Robyn
Sweetnam for more info.

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

Faith Runs Deep sessions are being held in the
church on Tuesdays at 10.00am
Everyone welcome.