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Pew Sheet

All notices/information for pew
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BSB : 105-002
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We pray for the Diocese of The Murray and Parish Council Members

Br Simon Waters (Administrator of The Murray); Fr Des Ackland (Raelene)

and **in the Limestone Coast**

Archdeacon Neil (Nalini); Fr Alex Bainton (Cheryl)

Parish Councillors, Christ Church

Sandy Coulson, Helen Douglass, Brian Smith, Lynn Fisher, Dick Hamson;
Rick Fisher; Robyn Ashby; Sujitha Rajan

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)**

**21st April 2024 — Easter 3
Commemorating ANZAC Day**



Not to be served—but to serve



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.

NOT TO BE SERVED BUT TO SERVE

As a Christian people 'called to sow seeds of hope and to build peace', we pray for all those families touched by the violence that occurred in the Bondi Junction shopping mall on Saturday and pray for the Bishop who was attacked.

Each year on 25 April, Australians and New Zealanders pay tribute to those who have been tasked to protecting its borders and to preserve its freedoms. But we commemorate more than its soldiers. We pay tribute to all those in uniform, to those who provide medical care, to the families that wait at home in hope, to those whose loved ones died, and to those who come home but are ill in body or mind. Anzac Day is the day we most earnestly pray for peace in our hearts, families, communities and the world.

Anzac Day is a day of remembering its future. It is also a day of compassion for those who suffer in war both in the past and the present. As we think of the soldiers who fought and died at Gallipoli, we imagine also the families they left behind and returned too, the soldiers who returned wounded inwardly by the war and the burden borne by their families, the women widowed and left single by the death of so many marriageable men, the small towns stripped of a generation of young men, and the grief that enveloped so many people. Anzac was sometimes described as the making of Australia. If so, it did so by stripping not by adorning.

The Book of Wisdom was written only about 100 years before Christ during a time of great persecution, internal conflict, social rejection, suffering and bewilderment. The message is clear: "The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. ... those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen".

In a special way the relationship between dying, service and eternal presence is combined in our Gospel reading too. The context helps us because the text comes immediately before Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. We remind ourselves that we are still in the time of Easter. We heard: "If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him".

Following the example of duty and motivated by the same and timeless sense of faith and closeness to our Lord, we come again to join in our communion celebration of the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus and entrust to him the souls of those who have died in war so that He may lead them into the Father's House to receive and experience the honour that Jesus promised would come from His Father. And, as they would certainly want us to, let us pray earnestly and work hard for the peace and justice that God desires, His People deserve and for which so many have died.

SUNDAY, 21st April 2024 : Easter 3			
8.00am—Communion : 9.30am—Communion (commemorating ANZAC Day)			
Acts 4. 8-12	Ps 118. 1-9	1 Jn 3. 1-2	John 10. 11-18
Server	Julienne Feast		
Welcomer	Jeff Bowman		
Readers	Raylene Milligan / Brian Smith		
Intercessions	Sue Christopher		
Sound desk	Trevor Christopher		
Flowers	Roma Driscoll		
Morning Tea	Dianne Burton / Virginia Kuhl		
SUNDAY, 28th April 2024 : Easter 4			
8.00am—Communion : 9.30am—Pathways Service			
Acts 9. 26-31	Ps 22. 23-32	1 Jn 3. 18-24	John 15. 1-8
Server	Julienne Feast		
Welcomer	Helen Douglass		
Readers	Jeff Bowman / Fran Laslett		
Intercessions	Julienne Feast		
Sound desk	Rick Fisher		
Flowers	Roma Driscoll		
Morning Tea	Michael and Genevieve Jamieson		

ROSTERS FOR	APRIL
GARDENING 	Helen Douglass
 MOWING ROSTER	Volunteer required

Sanctify, O Lord, our hearts and minds, and inspire our praise, give us grace to glorify you both in our worship and our work; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

Pray for those people who are unwell and for each other

Sue Ongley; Maree Lynch; Shirley Stacpoole; Sandy Coulson; Betty 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.

PARISH BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

APRIL

8th	Joan Tremelling	16th	Glen Solomons
10th	Darryll Grant	24th	Jane Reichelt
10th	Roger Jones	27th	Llewellyn Jones
11th	Sandy Coulson	30th	Sue Ongley



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

The Bell Tower Op Shop

Trading hours are:

Monday to Friday
10.00am to 3.00pm

Saturday
9.30am to 12.30pm

*Closed on Public
Holidays*



POT, POTS & MORE POTS

Thanks to the generosity of a member of the local community we have been given a number of attractive plants that need to be potted into large pots. If anyone has any **20cm pots** that are no longer needed please contact Jeff B—0487 486 260.

We would like to repot the plants in preparation for our plant stall at the next Mini Market on the 1st June.

A few photos from our very successful Parish Picnic last Sunday



Forthcoming Parish Events

MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	ORGANISED BY
APRIL	Sun	21 st	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Communion—celebrate ANZAC Day	Choir
	Wed	24 th	10.00am	"The Chosen" study @ Christ Church	
	Sun	28 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Pathways Service	CMG
MAY	Sun	5 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Communion	Choir
	Sun	12 th	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Communion Pathways—Mother's Day Communion—St Luke's, Mt Schank	CMG
	Sat	18 th	8.30am — 4.00pm	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
	Sun	19 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Communion	Choir
	Tues	21 st	2.00pm 3.15pm	Ladies Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry Fundraising meeting in Ashworth Room	
	Sun	26 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Pathways—Trinity Sunday	CMG
JUNE	Sat	1 st	8.30am	Garage Sale and Mini-market	
	Sun	2 nd	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Communion	Choir

A race for those who haven't yet raced?

Can you imagine this? Well, last Sunday in the shelter of the Lions Park on the corner of Compton Street and Sea Parade, Port MacDonnell, Richard Mills showed this was more than possible. In a spirit of healthy fun which marked the afternoon, with support at just an arm's length away, walkers, sticks and even wheels were encouraged to set out on a short stroll across the lawns.

Immense thanks go to Graham Savage and Richard Mills for the organization of the parish picnic that saw representatives from each congregation come together across generations to share in tasty food, conversation and fun in an atmosphere of warmth and friendliness. We particularly thank barbecue chef Graham, and the young families who came to enjoy the competitive races, complete with an age-appropriate handicap for 3-96!!

The sun shone, the barbecue sizzled, chips and pizza were appreciated by the youngsters, the chairs and comforting beverages by those older. To test their district knowledge, navigation skills and patience, a mystery route had taken those who dared along unfamiliar roads to the destination.

Thank you to all who attended, and especially to Richard and Graham for planning such an enjoyable afternoon outdoors in the sunshine for the church family.

Kaylene Barreira, for Children's Ministry.

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

Op Shop Seasonal Change-over

The Bell Tower Op Shop will be holding its seasonal change-over in the hall on **FRIDAY, 26th APRIL and SATURDAY, 27th APRIL** commencing at 9.00am.

This requires considerable physical work such as lifting tubs of clothing off shelving as well as lots of sorting, removing summer stock & displaying new winter stock. Anyone, **particularly men** in the parish who may be able to help for an hour or two, are encouraged to come along.

Enquiries please contact Gill Doyle
0438 867 146 or Jeff Bowman 0487
486 260.

CAN YOU HELP ???

The Parish Office air conditioner 'died' a couple of weeks ago, and it has had to be replaced at a cost of \$2,700.

If there is any way you could help defray this cost, a donation placed in an envelope marked "Air conditioner replacement" would be very much appreciated.

Thank you