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Pew Sheet

All notices/information for pew
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We pray for the Diocese of The Murray

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

and in the Limestone Coast

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

and Parish Council Members, Christ Church

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

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)**

19th May 2024 — Pentecost



Come Holy Spirit Come



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.

From Fr Neil

COME HOLY SPIRIT COME

Today we celebrate the birthday of the Church with the decent of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Ghost used to be *the forgotten person of the Trinity*. Perhaps from being a *spirit*, since for many people today, only tangible, material things are the whole of reality. At the Last Supper, he promised to send the Spirit, to be an ever-reliable helper, advocate, counsellor, teacher, a replacement for Christ himself. “Unless I go, the Paraclete will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you” (Jn 16:7).

The solemn coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost was not an isolated event. There is hardly a page in the Acts of the Apostles where we fail to read about him and the action by which he guides, directs and enlivens the life and work of the early Christian community. The disciples, witnesses of the glory of the risen Christ, were filled with the strength of the Holy Spirit. Their minds and hearts were opened to a new light.

Many things in our universe are real even though invisible to the naked eye. What we see with our eyes is only a fraction of our physical world.

The Holy Spirit belongs to the spiritual world, and it naturally cannot see the Spirit with our eyes. Yet, there are helpful ways of *imagining* the Holy Spirit. St Paul uses an image drawn nature when he says that the Spirit **bears fruit**. He means the visible effect of the Spirit on one’s life. We may not be able to see the Holy Spirit, but we can see the effect of the Spirit in our life, just as we cannot see the wind but can see the effect of the wind on people and objects of various kinds. Paul is saying that wherever we find love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control, the Spirit is there at work. The Spirit becomes visible in and through these qualities and virtues. The person who most of all had those qualities was Jesus because he was full of the Holy Spirit, full of the *life of God*. The Holy Spirit is essentially the very life of God, and that life is a life of love. It is that divine life, that divine love, which was poured out at Pentecost, initially on the first disciples but through them on all who were open to receive this powerful and wonderful gift. Paul expresses it simply in his letter to the Romans, ‘God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us’. It is that Spirit of God’s love we have received who bears the rich fruit in our lives that Paul speaks about in today’s 2nd Reading. The Spirit is constantly at work in our lives, making us more like Jesus.

SUNDAY, 19th May 2024 : Pentecost 8.00am—Communion : 9.30am—Communion			
Acts 2. 1-11	Ps 104. 26-32	1 Cor 12. 1-13	John 20. 19-23
Server	Julienne Feast		
Welcomer	Jeff Bowman		
Readers	David Clarkson / Anne Ashworth		
Intercessions	Sue Christopher		
Sound desk	Trevor Christopher		
Flowers	Rhonda Strickland		
Morning Tea	Dianne Burton / Virginia Kuhl		
SUNDAY, 26th May 2024 : Trinity Sunday 8.00am—Communion : 9.30am—			
Server	Julienne Feast		
Welcomer	Helen Douglass		
Readers	Robyn Ashby & Bill Hudd		
Intercessions	Julienne Feast		
Sound desk			
Flowers			
Morning Tea	Genevieve & Michael Jamieson		

ROSTERS FOR		MAY
GARDENING		Richard Strickland
 MOWING ROSTER		Richard Strickland

Pray for those people who are unwell and for each other

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

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.

Please pray for the Smibert family as Kelvin's ashes are to be interred in the Memorial Garden on Wednesday, 22nd May.

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



MAY

25th Jenny Bowman

We wish her 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.

**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*



**Church Ladies
Friendship Cuppa**

Would love to see you all at The Limestone Coast Pantry for our cuppa at 2.00pm on the third Tuesday of each month.

Glenyse Nott 0429 087 947

Please mark your calendars:

Solos & Pairs will be held on the second Friday of each month at the Park Hotel @ 12.00pm.

The ordinary, day to day expressions of goodness and kindness, of faithfulness and self-control, of patience and gentleness, are all manifestations of the Spirit that has been given to us by God. We can recognize the Spirit's presence in the common happenings of everyday life. The spiritual is not something other-worldly; it is humanity at its best.

listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. It was never more urgent. How do we do that and what is the Spirit saying? The feast invites four areas of reflection:

1. The Spirit and the *future of the earth* (service)
2. The Spirit and the (re)discovery of the *Word of God* (catechesis)
3. The Spirit and *Christian meditation* (spirituality)
4. The Spirit and the *community of faith*, the Church (community)

All four dimensions are connected. What is the church unless grounded in the Word and in the Spirit? What is the church *for*, unless for the service of all and, especially today, of our threatened world? This Pentecost let's pray earnestly pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit to be renewed in our lives, in our families and communities, in our churches and Diocese, and throughout God's world.

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Mothers Day

*Thank you to Kaylene
and to the children for those special moments.*



Forthcoming Parish Events

MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	ORGAN-ISED BY
MAY	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
	Sun	9 th	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Communion Pathways Service Communion—St Luke's, Mt Schank	CMG
	Thurs	13 th	9.30am	Men Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry	
	Fri	14 th	12.00pm	Solos & Pairs luncheon at Park Hotel	
	Sun	16 th	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Communion	Choir
	Tues	18 th	2.00pm	Ladies Do Coffee @ Limestone Coast Pantry	
	Fri— Sun	21 st to 23 rd		SYNOD in Mt Gambier	
	Sun	23 rd	8.00am 9.30am	Communion Communion (Synod)	Choir & CMG
	Sun	30 th	8.00am 9.30am TBA	Communion Pathways—Healing Service City Wide churches service	

Preliminary planning for Recycled Runway

The catering group for the Recycled Runway to be held later in the year are in the process of preparing some of the food for the night. This food will then be frozen in readiness for the occasion.

If you are able to assist with the cost of purchasing any of the ingredients for this event, please place your donation in an envelope marked **“Donation towards Recycled Runway catering”** as soon as possible.

Your help in defraying the overall cost of this will be very much appreciated.
Thank you
Trudy-Anne

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

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Our next **MINI MARKET & GARAGE SALE** will be on **SATURDAY 1ST JUNE** from 8.30am – 12.30pm. Stalls & convenors will include **PRODUCE – Julianne F, PLANTS – Jeff B & CRAFT – Kathy M** as well as a **COFFEE VAN**. Donations for any of the stalls are always welcome. Items such as sweets treats & cakes can be placed on the Craft stall. Donations of **good quality items for the shed**, excluding large furniture or electrical items are also welcome.

Please contact Trevor Christopher 0400745056 if you can help in this way.
Any other enquiries please contact Jeff B on 0487486260.