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Pew Sheet

All notices/information for pew sheet should be sent to the Parish Office **no later** than 9.00am each Thursday morning please.

Parish Office

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Web site : www.anglicanmountgambier.org.au

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

Br Simon Waters (Administrator of The Murray); Fr Des Ackland (Raelene) Richard Earley (Registrar) and Chris Lubke (Assistant Registrar)

and in the Limestone Coast

Fr Wayne Landford, Millicent/Penola; Fr David Patterson, Mt Gambier
(0.5FTE)

and **Parish Council Members, Christ Church**

Helen Douglass, Brian Smith, Lynn Fisher, Dick Hamson; Faye Hill; Tara

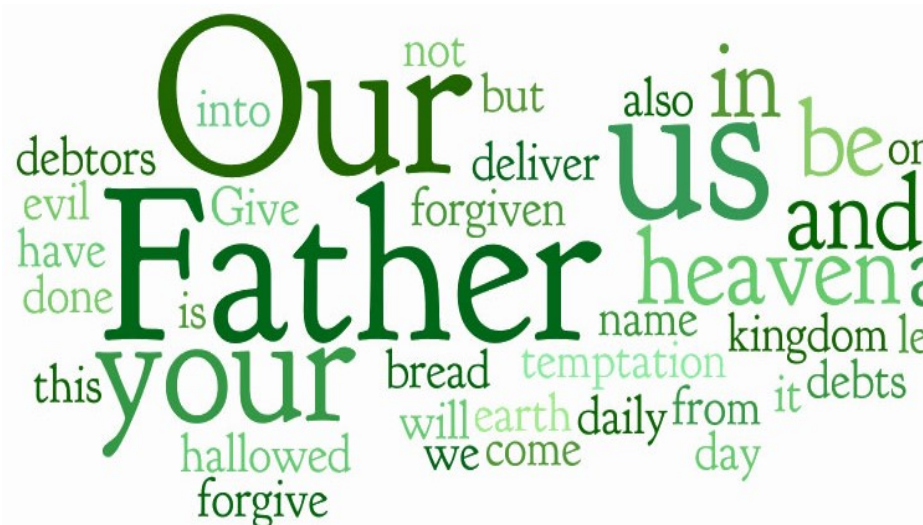
If you would like to make a bequest to the church, please follow the instructions on the Regulation for Bequests form which is available from the back of the church.

The Anglican Parish of Mount Gambier (Berrin)

Christ Church Mount Gambier (Berrin)

St Luke's Mount Schank (Parreen)

Sunday, 27th July 2025
Pentecost 7



Our Father



As a Christian community, we acknowledge and pay respect to the Boandik 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.

*We welcome all visitors to our services today.
Please feel free to make yourself known to the
Priest / Worship Leader*



From Fr David

Haggling with God

If your best friend does you a favour, you will want to return it. Sometimes you can get someone to do a favour if you promise some kindness in return. You might have to negotiate. You might have to give up more than you thought. But you can barter and sustain the friendship.

One of the most delightful passages in the Old Testament is the negotiation between God and Abraham. Both have entered a covenant as friends, although they are not at all equals. Still, Abraham negotiates with God about the number of righteous people who might be found in Sodom and Gomorrah. Abraham speaks humbly of himself in the presence of God's majesty, yet he boldly asks for a better and better deal.

The passage is delightful until we realize what they are negotiating over: the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. God has condemned the city for its misdeeds, but Abraham pleads on behalf of the innocent. This dainty conversation concerns the serious business of saving human lives. In our friendship with God, we often negotiate in a similar way. "Let my mother live, O God, and I will always treat her with respect".

"Let me not get into trouble for my sin, O God, and I will always keep my room clean". "Let me get out of debt, O God, and I will give ten percent of all I own to the church". We barter. The conversation delights God's ears. God loves the people of the covenant.

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Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

Luke 11.9

SUNDAY, 27th July 2025 8.00am—Morning Prayer : 9.30am—Pathways service			
Hosea 1. 2-10	Ps 85	Col 2. 6-15	Luke 11. 1-13
Bell Ringer	Trevor Christopher		
Servers	Julienne Feast / Jane Reichelt		
Sermon / Reflection	Bill Hudd		
Welcomer	Jenny Tilby		
Offering : 8.00am 9.30am	Richard Strickland Michael Jamieson / Beryl Mahoney		
Sound desk : 8.00am 9.30am	Richard Mills Trudy-Anne Doyle		
Live streaming	David Hill		
Music	CMG		
Intercessions	Julienne Feast		
Readers	Fran Laslett / Jeff Bowman		
Morning Tea	Michael Jamieson / Beryl Mahoney		
Flowers	Jan Hunt		
SUNDAY, 3rd August 2025 8.00am—Morning Prayer : 9.30am—Pathways service			
Hoisea 11. 1-11	Ps 107. 1-9, 43	Col 3. 1-11	Luke 12. 13-21
Bell Ringer	Trevor Christopher		
Servers	Julienne Feast / Jane Reichelt		
Sermon/Reflection	TBA		
Welcomer	Raylene Milligan		
Offering : 8.00am 9.30am	Roma Driscoll Maree McIntyre / Denise McDonald		
Sound desk : 8.00am 9.30am	Richard Mills Robyn Ashby		
Live streaming	David Hill		
Music	Choir		
Intercessions	Richard Mills		
Readers	Rick and Lynn Fisher		
Morning Tea	Maree McIntyre / Denise McDonald / Helen Douglass		
Flowers	O Green		

Memorial Garden Flower Vases

New green plastic spiked vases are now available to replace broken or missing ones—and to use in place of glass receptacles. These vases can be collected from the Parish Office for an existing memorial garden plaque, and one will be given with each new plaque ordered.

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

Sue Ongley; Maree Lynch; Shirley Stacpoole; Rita Reichelt, Coral Chaffey (Glen's partner); Beryl Heard; Robert Brown, David Clarkson; Roger Jones; Matthew Tilby (Jenny Tilby's son)



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.

May their souls rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon them.

Election of new Primate of Australia

The Right Reverend Dr Mark Short, (current Bishop of the Diocese of Canberra & Goulbourn) has been elected as Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia—effective from 1st November 2025, following the resignation of Archbishop Geoffrey Smith.

Lych Gate restoration



Parish Council applied for a State Government Heritage Grant in March 2025 for up to 50% of the required funds towards this project.

We were recently advised that this grant application was unsuccessful.

Currently a total of \$8,155 has been raised toward this project.

Parish Council is currently considering proceeding with the project if we can raise the balance of funds (approximately \$6,845). Should you wish to contribute towards making this possible, please use the envelopes available or talk to our treasurer, Robyn Ashby, at your convenience.

Thank you.

ROSTERS FOR	JULY
GARDENING	Helen Douglass
MOWING ROSTER	Rick Fisher
MONEY COUNTERS	Elizabeth Hodges / Julianne Feast

MINI-MARKET **& GARAGE SALE** **Church grounds: 8.30-12.30**

Sat. 2nd August

SHED: Trevor C and David G.
CAKES & SWEETS: Roma D
CRAFT: Kathy M.
PLANTS: Andrew H and Jeff B.
BBQ: Graham S
WOOD RAFFLE: Jeff B

Any offers of help or donations for the stalls would be appreciated.

Plenty of great bargains in the Op Shop.

Setting up: 7.00am on Saturday morning

The **Australian Anglican Church Calendar 2026** is now available to order. Please see the notice board in the Vestry for further details.

If you wish to place an order, please advise the Parish Office as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can order directly using the details listed on the "Order Now!" notice.

Forthcoming Parish Events

MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	ORGANISED BY
JULY	Fri	25 th	11.00am	Morning Prayer	Julienne
	Sun	27 th	8.00am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Pathways Farewell morning tea for Elizabeth Hodges following 9.30am service	Julienne Bill (R)
AUG	Fri	1 st	11.00am	Morning Prayer	Julienne
	Sat	2 nd	8.30am— 12.30pm	Garage Sale and Mini-market	
	Sun	3 rd	8.00am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Pathways	Julienne Mark (R)/Rick
	Fri	8 th	11.00am	Holy Communion	Fr David
	Sun	10 th	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Holy Communion Pathways Morning Prayer, St Luke's, Mt Schank	Fr David Faye (R)/ Robyn
OCT	Sat	11 th		Garage Sale and Mini-market	



PARISH BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

JULY

2nd	Lynn Fisher	7th	John Allen
3rd	Donna Winckel	16th	Robert Sims
5th	Judy Geddes		



There is a new copy of the birthday calendar that can be found at the rear of the church. Please check to make sure that the information relating to you is correct. However, if you do not wish your information to appear, please cross it off on the list.

Thank you

Services in the Mt Gambier Parish

There are 3 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

Wednesdays	1.00-3.00pm	Craft Group meets in Ashworth Room
Mondays and Thursdays	5.15-6.30pm	Meditation Group in Ashworth Room

FUNDRAISING NEWS

WOOD RAFFLE

Booklets of 10 tickets are available from the Church Office for our Wood Raffle. Tickets are \$2 each with 3 prizes.

1st prize : Trailer load of wood
2nd prize : Ute load of wood
3rd prize : 4 boxes of firelighters

The raffle will be drawn on 31st August.

This year we had to have the tickets printed which cost us in the vicinity of \$250. If anyone would like to make a contribution towards the cost of printing we would be very grateful. Just place the money in an envelope & mark it **"DONATION FOR WOOD RAFFLE TICKETS."** It can then be placed in the collection plate or left in the Office.

N.B.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of the Number 61 raffle ticket book, please contact Jeff as soon as possible. It is currently AWOL !!!!!

Jeff Bowman, 0487 486 260
Fundraising Team

Sausage Rolls for the Recycled Runway

Our catering team feel that 200 sausage rolls would be great to have to serve at the Recycled Runway on 29 August. We have a generous offer of 80 sausage rolls so now only need 120.

We can pay for ingredients, so if you feel like making some sausage rolls, your help would be greatly appreciated! Contact: Trudy-Anne on 0466 788 262.

Many thanks.

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*



160th Celebrations

There are forms at the back of the church for people to list the names and contact details of any past parishioners you know of who could be invited to the 160th Celebrations later this year.

Please complete any details as soon as practicable to ensure that invitations can be sent out in due course.