

St Paul's Anglican Church

*A caring community of Christ worshipping God,
engaging the community and building connections
between people of all ages and cultures.*

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1st May 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Prayer of the Day:

Great and loving God, your will for us in your Son Jesus is the peace which the world cannot give, your abiding gift, the Advocate he promised. Calm all troubled hearts, dispel every fear, and keep us steadfast in love and faithful to your word. Grant this through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who lives with you now and always in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Amen.

Hymns: 547 420 414 687

Setting: St Mary's

Psalm: 67 (pew sheet p4)

Anthem: "A Gaelic Blessing " by John Rutter

Postlude: "Courante " by Maurice Greene

NOTICES OF THE DAY

Welcome to worship and to our St. Paul's faith community.

Prayer Corner: "Great Spirit, we remember the land and its first people with respect and dignity. May we live in harmony with all those who share this sacred earth and be thankful. Amen"

We pray for the World:

Pray for peace and understanding

We pray for the worldwide Church:

- Anglican Church of Kenya
- Ministry with the Aboriginal people of Australia
- Archdeaconry of The Yarra
- St Faith's Burwood
- Merri Creek Anglican
- Deans Marsh and Winchelsea
- Hoppers Crossing
- Mullum Mullum Parish Ringwood
- Canterbury Presbyterian

We pray for those in need:

- Joan Harrington-Johnson
- Hayley Dickson
- Helen's family – Anne and lens Shaw
- Bob Thompson
- Margaret Clausen
- Annabel
- Iris Mather
- Cecelia Irvine-So
- Gwen Towart
- Luke Vincitorio
- Trish Cain
- Pat Watson
- Anne Ogier

We pray for ourselves & Community:

Ever-present God, take care of all who travel by land, water or air; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them safely back home. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Parish Prayer for St Paul's:

Renew in us, O God, the zeal of your love. Let our parish come alive with the power of your Spirit. Where we have failed, forgive us. Where we have persevered, encourage us. When we are in doubt, direct us. Help us to see new opportunities for witness and service. For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Parish Council Members for 2016:

Please keep our parish councillors in your prayers:

Ros White (warden), Andrew Flint (warden), Todd Reichmann (treasurer), Winifred Nahed, Rose O'Shea, Rosemary Miller Jeremy Bishop, Alex Murray, John DeAraugo and Mark Lamb.



We give thanks for the life of:

- Dorothy Mart Blanch 3rd May 1980
- Ronald Edward Lyth 3rd May 1999
- Rosemary Elizabeth Coleman 4th May 2004
- Maggie (Margaret) Moore May 2015
- Anne Cook
- Mem Grecian

Notice Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

PARISH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

This Sunday	1st May: Sixth Sunday of Easter
	1ST-4TH MAY: SUSANNE AT SPIRITUAL CARE AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE
8.00am	Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre
Monday 2nd	SUSANNE AT SPIRITUAL CARE AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE
	<i>Athanasius, bishop of Alexandria, teacher (d.373)</i>
9.30-1.30am	Yoga, Parish Centre
3.30-9.00pm	Ceberano Martial Arts, Hall
Tuesday 3rd	SUSANNE AT SPIRITUAL CARE AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE
8.45-9.15am	Morning Ecumenical Prayer
1.0.30am	Women's Group, Parish Centre
4.30-5.30pm	Ballet, Hall
7.00-9.00pm	MSG. Men's Spirituality Group, Parish Centre
Wednesday 4th	SUSANNE AT SPIRITUAL CARE AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE
9.00-11.00am	Kinder Dance, Hall
10.00-10.30am	Wednesday Eucharist, Church
4.30-6.30pm	Ballet, Hall
5.00-5.30pm	Meditation, Parish Centre
6.30-7.30pm	Yoga, Parish Centre
7.00-9.00pm	Tae Kwon Do, Hall
8.00-9.00pm	Yoga, Parish Centre
Thursday 5th	<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (until Eve of Pentecost)</i>
9.00am-12.30pm	Gillian in office
12.00-5.30pm	Organ Practice, Church
3.30-9.30pm	Ceberano Martial Arts, Hall
7.30-9.30pm	Choir Practice, Church
Friday 6th	
8.45-10.15am	Tiny Tutus, Hall
9.00am-12.30pm	Gillian in office
5.00pm	Warden's Meeting, TBC
6.00-8.30pm	National Youth Choir, Hall & Parish Centre
Saturday 7th	
9.00-11.00am	Karate, Hall
11.00am-7.30pm	Ballet, Hall
Next Sunday	8th May: Ascension Day, Mothers Day
	Election of Synod Representatives
8.00am	Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre

Upcoming Events for May:

3 rd	Women's Group, MSG, Caritas	19 th	Orana Quiet Morning
8 th	Mothers' Day	21 st	Kindergarten Open Day
10 th	Parish Council	22 nd	Biggest Morning Tea
17 th	Women's Group, MSG, Caritas	29 th	Concert at St Paul's

READINGS

Acts 16.9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

Psalm 67

(Responsorial Psalm)

Alan Rees



- 1 God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help.
- 2 Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him.

Revelation 21.10-14, 21.22-22.5

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations,

and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day - and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

John 14.23-29

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.'



St Paul's Lunch Club

Come along to our next informal parish lunch next Sunday May 8th, from 12noon in the Parish Centre - where a soup and bread lunch will be provided.

If you would love to come but have any food allergies or dietary requirements please have a chat to Laura Kaspen or Rosemary Miller and we can accommodate. Cost- by donation



Next Week's Readings: Ascension Day

Acts 1.1-11 Psalm 47 Ephesians 1.15-23 Luke 24.44-53

NOTICES

ST PAUL'S FAIR

FINAL FAIR RESULTS – *beyond all expectations!*

A huge thank you to the many parishioners whose generosity of spirit enabled such a rewarding result. It was therefore great to see parishioners winning so many of the raffle prizes. The lucky winners were:

1. Warren Smith - Squisito Restaurant voucher
- 2 Gill Lambert – H & A AFL MCG Member Reserve tickets
3. Chris (& Ros) White - Village Gold Pass tickets
4. Eve McFadyen - Caltex Card
5. Kesta Fleming – Food & Wine Hamper
6. VRC member tickets – Joan Thompson

ST PAUL'S FAIR - APRIL 2016

(Final Results)

Animal Farm	\$ 236
Books	\$ 653
Cakes and Preserve	\$ 1,651
Childrens Activities	\$ 448
Lunch & Devonshire Tea	\$ 487
Gallery Sales	\$ 843
Plants	\$ 544
Raffle Tickets	\$ 2,315
Sausage Sizzle	\$ 634
Silent Auction	\$ 887
Commercial Rentals	\$ 1,115
Donations	\$ 100
TOTAL	\$ 9,913
Less Expenses	\$ 600
NETT PROCEEDS	\$ 9,313

SPIRIT-GIVEN GIFTS WITH REV'D ELIZABETH DELBRIDGE:

You may recall that Parish Council members spent a night away with Elizabeth Delbridge to refresh themselves, get to know each other and also through understanding the spirit given gifts which we all have.

If you would like to discern your gifts with Elizabeth, please let Susanne know, and we can arrange a small group to meet with her at an agreeable day and time.

THE ELECTION OF SYNOD LAY REPRESENTATIVES AND AN ALTERNATE LAY REPS:

The nomination forms are available in the narthex.

The closing date for nominations is today and elections on the 8th May.

Please speak with Kajal and Jeremy who have been our Lay reps if you would like to hear from them, what's involved and how interesting it is to be a part of.

READING AND LEADING:

A professional development workshop for all who lead in the context of worship, for those who read the Bible, and for those who lead the Prayers of the People, or who would like to. All welcome.

Date: from 9am Saturday 14th May, ending with a provided lunch.

Venue: Glen Waverley Anglican Church, 800 Waverley Road, Glen Waverley

Suggested donation: \$20 per person

For further details and to book visit the OMD page at

www.bishopperryinstitute.org.au
Or contact Archdeacon Brad Billings:
Tel: 96534280, Email: bbillings@melbourneanglican.org.au

Victorian Council of Churches

EMERGENCIES MINISTRY

PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID/PERSONAL SUPPORT:

Are you interested in offering psychological first aid/personal support in times of crisis? Please see flyers in narthex from the Victorian Council of Churches Emergencies Ministry.

ORANA QUIET MORNINGS 2016: at 73 Broadway. Camberwell
10.30am - 12.30 pm, Thursday 19th May

Donation \$15, concession \$5

Confirmation of attendance is desired in case of cancellation.

Please contact Ros White on 0400 173 727.

TABLES AVAILABLE:

The Parish is replacing the long tables in the Parish Centre with lighter ones. So three good quality tables are available. If you have a need or know of an organisation/club that might need a table, please see Andrew Flint. Cost ? donation to the Parish.

ST PAUL'S DIRECT DEBIT:

St Paul's Anglican Church Canterbury - BSB 633 000 A/C 1191 99941.

PEW SHEET DEADLINE:

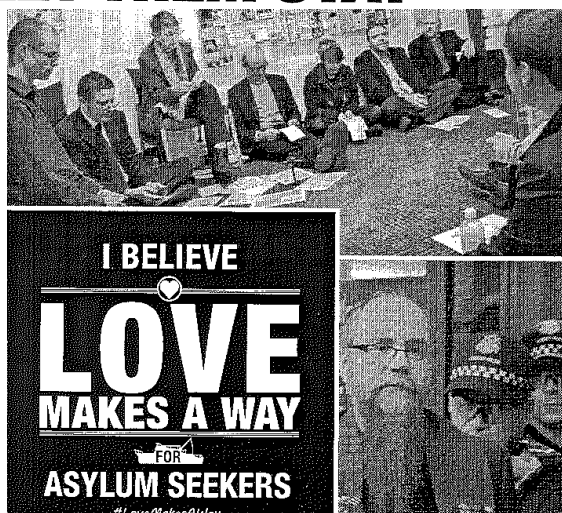
Please ensure your notices for the pew sheet are received in the office by 5pm on Wednesday. Thank you. Gillian.

I PLEDGE TO GET IN THE WAY TO LET THEM STAY

**Stephen Barrington,
from Truth Liberation
Concern Church,
speaks on behalf of
Love Makes A Way**

**Join us for Breakfast
8:00am Sunday May 1
\$10 per person**

For further details contact
Rev Ross Pearce 9836 2875



Highfield Rd
Uniting Church
Cnr Highfield &
Prospect Hill Rds
Canterbury

ST PAUL'S MINISTRY TEAMS:

This Week's Ministry Team

1st May: Sixth Sunday of Easter

8am

Sidesperson Bruce Brown
Reader Bruce Brown
Liturgical Asst Bert Lillywhite
Flowers Val Sayers
Brass Barbara Alderton

10am

Sidespersons Lois Latimer &
Christine Ruggles-Brise

Children's Talk Jenifer McKenzie
Sunday School 'Kids In' Service

J2A 'Kids In' Service

Reader J2A
Intercessor J2A
Welcomer ALL
Liturgical Asst Hamish White
Server Leanne Reichmann
Refreshments Gwenda Harding &
Rosemary Miller

Collection Counters

Charles H-J &
Greg Scott

Next Week's Ministry Team

8th May: Ascension

8am

Sidespersons Cathy & Bob Hudson
Reader Trish Cain
Liturgical Asst TBC
Flowers Lois Latimer
Brass

10am

Sidespersons Jill & Stuart Bales

Children's Talk Kesta Fleming
Sunday School Margaret Christianson
& Lee Rough

J2A Caroline Cox
Tom Lambert

Reader Kerri Downes
Intercessor Henrietta Barclay
Welcomer ALL
Liturgical Asst TBC
Server TBC
Refreshments Ruth Hudnott &
Beryl Byrne

Collection Counters

Chris Hudnott &
Iona Christianson

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