

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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8th May 2016

Ascension Day

Prayer of the Day:

Welcoming and all-embracing Presence, draw us to yourself, clay bound as we are, transform us body and soul, surge through our hearts and lift us up, that we may follow the Pioneer of the Way into the cloud of your mysterious Presence, and find ourselves most strangely at home. We pray this in the Spirit of the Universal Christ, the Resurrection and the Life.

Amen.



Hymns: 517 231 520 216

Setting: St Mary's

Psalm: 47 (pew sheet p4)

Anthem: "O God the King of Glory" by Purcell

Postlude: "Alleluia" by from 'Exsultate Jubilate' by Mozart

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:

- Church of Korea
- Diocese of Riverina
- Archdeacon of Williamstown
- St Michael's Carlton North
- St Janes the Great St Kilda
- East Camberwell Baptist

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
- Robina Fowler

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:

- Marjory Pitt
- Lily Lee

13th May 2015

Notice Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

PARISH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

This 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
Monday 9th	SUSANNE'S SABBATH
9.30-1.30am	Yoga, Parish Centre
3.30-9.00pm	Ceberano Martial Arts, Hall
Tuesday 10th	
8.45-9.15am	Morning Ecumenical Prayer
4.30-5.30pm	Ballet, Hall
7.30-9.00pm	Parish Council, Parish Centre
Wednesday 11th	
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 12th	
8.00am-2.00pm	Kinder, Hall
9.00am-12.30pm	Gillian in office
12.00-5.30pm	Organ Practice, Church
3.30-9.30pm	Ceberano Martial Arts, Hall
7.00-8.00pm	Yoga, Parish Centre
7.30-9.30pm	Choir Practice, Church
Friday 13th	
8.45-10.15am	Tiny Tutus, Hall
9.00am-12.30pm	Gillian in office
6.00-8.30pm	National Youth Choir, Hall & Parish Centre
Saturday 14th	
9.00-11.00am	Karate, Hall
11.00am-7.30pm	Ballet, Hall
Next Sunday	15th May: Day of Pentecost
8.00am	Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre
Upcoming Events for May:	
17 th	Women's Group, MSG, Caritas
19 th	Orana Quiet Morning
21 st	Kindergarten Open Day
22 nd	Biggest Morning Tea
29 th	Music Society of Victoria Concert at St Paul's

READINGS

Acts 1.1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.' So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Responsorial Psalm 47

Andrew Moore



- 1 All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth.
- 2 God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise.
- 3 God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

Ephesians 1.15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Luke 24.44-53

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.' Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.



St Paul's Lunch Club

Come along to our next informal parish lunch **today**, 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: Day of Pentecost

Acts 2.1-21 Psalm 104.26-36 Romans 8.14-17 John 14.8-17

NOTICES

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: Elections today.

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

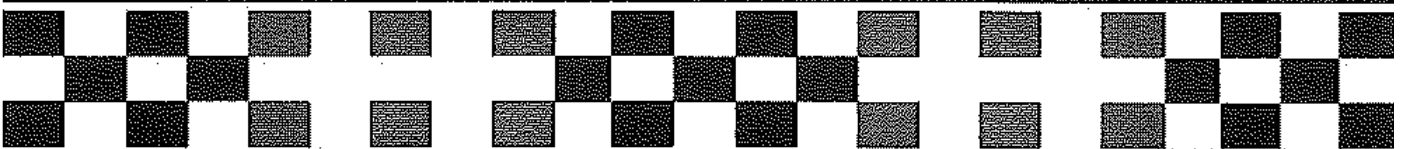
For further details and to book visit the OMD page at

www.bishopperryinstitute.org.au

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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.

In Conversation

with Rev Justus Miwanda



JOIN US

From a life of poverty to the Director of International Needs Uganda. International speaker Rev Justus Miwanda will share his experience of how girls' and womens' empowerment can break the cycle of poverty.

MAY 15TH 7.30PM

EAST CAMBERWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of Highfield Rd and Hunter Rd,
East Camberwell

For more information contact

East Camberwell Baptist Church - 9836 6063

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ST PAUL'S MINISTRY TEAMS:

This Week's Ministry Team 8th May: Ascension Day

8am

Sidespersons	Cathy & Bob Hudson
Reader	Trish Cain
Liturgical Asst	Debbie Riley
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	Mark Lamb
Server	Edward Sheen
Refreshments	Ruth Hudnott & Beryl Byrne
Collection Counters	Chris Hudnott & Iona Christianson

Next Week's Ministry Team 15th May: Day of Pentecost

8am

Sidesperson	Steven Wong
Reader	Steven Wong
Liturgical Asst	Bert Lillywhite
Flowers	Leigh Etheridge
Brass	Sandra Beamish

10am

Sidespersons	Liz Ollie & Gail White
Children's Talk	Graham Scott
Sunday School	Margaret Christianson & Katherine Latorcai
J2A	Caroline Cox & Winifred Nahed
Reader	Alicenne Stevens
Intercessor	Tom Lambert
Welcomer	ALL
Liturgical Asst	Rowan Litchfield
Server	Andrew Ham
Refreshments	June McKay & Winifred Nahed
Collection Counters	Jenifer McKenzie & Kajal Wagner

Parish Priest:	Reverend Susanne Chambers vicar@stpaulscanterbury.org.au	9830 0729 0405 758 776
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