

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA  
DIOCESE OF BALLARAT  
ST PAUL'S - BAKERY HILL



*"If God is for us, who is against us?" (Rom 8:31)*

**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany–  
15<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

***A Year to challenge violence, injustice & oppression, and work for peace  
and reconciliation***

*Welcome to St Paul's Church! We acknowledge the Wathaurung people, the traditional custodians of this land. Visitors are asked to make themselves known to the Welcomers. You are invited to wear a St Paul's name tag. Communicant members of all Christian traditions are invited to receive communion; anyone is welcome to receive a blessing. Please join us for refreshments after the Parish Eucharist.*



**8am Holy Eucharist    10am Parish Eucharist**

## **Welcome to our Eucharist**

**INTROIT HYMN:** Love divine, all loves excelling: **TIS 217**

Charles Wesley 1707-88

In the name of God; Father Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**SCRIPTURE SENTENCE:** Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Psalm 119.1

*Green book page 4 for Kyries and Confession  
The Gloria*

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

*(pause for silent prayer)*

Almighty God, you gave the law to guide our lives: grant that we may never shrink from your commandments, but, may fulfil your law in perfect love; through Christ our Lord and Master, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. **Amen**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Deuteronomy 30.15–20**

A reading from the book Deuteronomy.

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the

land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

This is the Word of the Lord,  
**thanks be to God**

### **PSALM 119.1–8**

*(We respond with the **bold** verses).*

Happy are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord!

**Happy are they who observe his decrees and seek him with all their hearts!**

Who never do any wrong, but always walk in his ways.

**You laid down your commandments, that we should fully keep them.**

O that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes!

**Then I should not be put to shame, when I regard all your commandments.**

I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, when I have learned your righteous judgements.

**I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.**

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 3.1–15**

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, 'I belong to Paul,' and another, 'I belong to Apollos,' are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who

waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labour of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire.

This is the Word of the Lord,  
**thanks be to God**

**GRADUAL HYMN:** Christ is our cornerstone: **TIS 433**

John Chandler 1806-76

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. **Alleluia, alleluia!**

**GOSPEL**

**Matthew 5.21–28, 33-37**

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**+ Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Jesus said: 'You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not murder"; and "whoever murders shall be liable to judgement." But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgement; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, "You fool," you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or

sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

You have heard that it was said, “You shall not commit adultery.” But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, “You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.” But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be “Yes, Yes” or “No, No”; anything more than this comes from the evil one.’

## For the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

### **THE SERMON:** Sr Elisa

Green book page 7

### **OFFERTORY HYMN:** And can it be: **TIS 209**

Charles Wesley 1707-88

*Green book page 9, with Seasonal Great Thanksgiving Prayer*

### **COMMUNION HYMN:** Christ be our light – see **separate sheet**

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN:** The church’s one foundation: **TIS 457**

Samuel John Stone 1839-1900

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### **Worship & Diary this week (17<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> February)**

Mon – Sr Elisa’s day off

Tues – 8.45am Morning Prayer and meditation

Wed – 8.45am Morning Prayer

Thurs – 8.45am Morning Prayer

10.30 am Holy Eucharist and Morning Tea

7.30pm Parish Council

Fri – 8.45am Morning Prayer

1.00pm Requiem Eucharist  
for Fr Ellis Jones

Sun-8am & 10am Holy  
Communion

**Readings for next Sunday** Leviticus  
19.1-2, 9-18, Psalm 119.33-40, 1  
Corinthians 3.16-21, Matthew 5.38-  
48



**For the Church in every time and  
place and especially for:**

- The Church of the Province of Central Africa, The Most Revd Albert Chama - Archbishop of Central Africa & Bishop of Northern Zambia
- Rockhampton: David Robinson - preparing for retirement
- Mission District of Woodyallock - Rob Ferguson  
The Chronicle: The Bishop (Publisher)
- Kumburuf, PNG
- Teachers and students.
- *GFS AGM*

**For those with Special Needs:**  
among the sick Ken, Mandy, Joyce, David, Jean, Carmel, Hazel, Heather, Stephanie, Tamara, Andrew, Aaron, Sue, Vera, Jenny, Jan, Fr Peter, Seth, Corey, Michele, Gillian, Pauline. We pray for patients suffering from serious diseases and those who care for them.

**For the departed: Recently  
departed Fr Ellis Jones**

Samuel Parker, Ada Wright, Irene Phillips (16) Phillip Berry, Hilary Mossfield, Isabella Golding(17) Sarah Hodgetts, Arnold King, John Deering, Samuel Greeves, Olive Polson (18) John Edwards (19) Aileen Grubb, Ivy McDermott, William Reid, Sally Neil, William Lukey, Thomas McGregor(20) Ernest Morris, Trevor Isbel, Douglas McQuire, Harold Halson, Nancy Jennings (21) Mavis Waldron, Barry Green, Cyril Hocking, Charles Braddon, Charles Hurnall, James Golby (22)



**FEBRUARY**

**Tues 25<sup>th</sup>** – Shrove Tuesday  
6.00pm Pancake tea at Wilkinson Hall

**Sat 22<sup>nd</sup>**- 10.30am – 3.00pm  
Mothers Union Quiet Day at St Mark's Abbey, Camperdown. All welcome

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup>**- Ash Wednesday

**MARCH**

**Wed 4<sup>th</sup>**- 5.30pm Lenten Study in the rectory

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup>**- World Day of Prayer – see noticeboard for service details

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup>**- 4.30pm Children’s service

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup>** – 9.30am Theatre Luncheon at the Regent

**Steadfastness**



*Thou wast their rock, their fortress  
and their might,  
Thou Lord their Captain in the well  
fought fight,  
Thou in the darkest drear their one  
true light.           TiS 455; AHB 384*

If Jesus is the model of steadfastness we follow, his followers have also given us examples of steadfastness. In Westminster Abbey there are modern statues of 20<sup>th</sup> century martyrs such as Boenhoeffer, Martin Luther King, Kolbe. They held themselves like rocks against the tide of prejudice, they fought for the downtrodden, they continue the Christian Way that has been kept alive through 2 millennia. It is the Way of peace and justice for all, a Way that can only be upheld by a continuing steadfast appraisal of the injustices of our times.

*Therefore, my beloved, be  
steadfast, immovable, always  
excelling in the work of the Lord,*

*because you know that in the Lord  
your labour is not in vain. 1  
Corinthians 15:58*

What were accepted practices in Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda and Tanzania – female genital mutilation and child marriage - are now priority areas for advocacy and policy. Members are steadfastly campaigning for a ‘complete stop’ to the practices, sometimes needing to move at-risk girls to safer areas.

### **GFS**

The GFS Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup>.February 2020 In St.John’s Parish Centre at 1.30pm. Afternoon tea to follow. New members welcome.

### **BOOK STALL**

We are seeking donations of books to be sold at the plant sale on 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Please place books in the box at the back of the church.

### **ROSTER**

Tony will be arranging the next roster for the period 15 March until 31 May, which includes. Please let Tony know if you will be unavailable during this period. If you aren’t on the

roster yet, then we would love to have you help out. Again see Tony. He can be contacted on 0450 194 214.

### **SAFE CHURCH TRAINING**

Will be conducted on the following date:

14 March Diocesan Centre *[day only]* 10am to 3pm. Please *BYO* lunch

### **FILM LUNCHEON**

The St Paul's Social Group has organised a film luncheon to be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at the Regent Cinema. The film is "Miss Fisher and the Crypt of Tears". Please arrive at 9.30am for a 10.00am start. The cost is \$23 per person. Please write your name on the list at the back of the church. As it is also St Patrick's Day you are requested to wear something green.

### **AUTUMN LUNCHEON FOR ABM**

The Ballarat Deanery Anglican Women's Guild annual luncheon will be held on Wednesday 4th March in the lovely setting at the home of Alice & Kevin Knight, Glenelg Hwy Linton, commencing at 12 noon.

Cost is \$20 for a 2-course meal, with door prizes.

There will be no special effort or stall this year.

Proceeds to aid the work of ABM.

RSVP appreciated to Deanery Secretary

Denise Lay mobile 0417 306 600.

All welcome.

## **Parish Directory**

### **Bishop**

The Rt. Rev'd Garry Weatherill

### **Parish Priest** Sr Elisa Helen, CSC

Tel. 5332 6479 [leave a message]

### **Associate Clergy**

The Rev'd Canon Geoffrey Tisdall

The Rev'd Malcolm Thomas

The Rev'd Deacon Bert Muysers

**Parish Secretary:** Lisa Smith

**Organist:** Ken Turner

### **Wardens:**

Bryan Crebbin

Mark Stewart:

Heather Clinton

**Treasurer:** Mark Stewart

**Parish Council Secretary:**

Lisa Smith

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