

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



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

**Seventh Sunday after Epiphany–
23rd 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: We praise, we worship you, O God: **TIS 98**

Anon

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

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

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE:

You shall be holy, for the Lord your God is holy. You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

Leviticus 19.2,18

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

COLLECT OF THE DAY: *(pause for silent prayer)*

Hidden God, whose wisdom compels our love and unsettles all our values: fill us with desire to search for her truth, that we may transform the world, becoming fools for her sake, through Jesus Christ, your Word and Wisdom made flesh, to whom be glory for ever. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Leviticus 19.1-2, 9-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

² Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

⁹ When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. ¹⁰ You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God.

¹¹ You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. ¹² And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD.

¹³ You shall not defraud your neighbour; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a labourer until morning. ¹⁴ You shall not revile the deaf or put a

stumbling block before the blind;
you shall fear your God: I am
the LORD.

¹⁵ You shall not render an unjust
judgment; you shall not be
partial to the poor or defer to
the great: with justice you shall
judge your neighbour. ¹⁶ You
shall not go around as a
slanderer among your people,
and you shall not profit by the
blood of your neighbour: I am
the LORD.

¹⁷ You shall not hate in your
heart anyone of your kin; you
shall reprove your neighbour, or
you will incur guilt
yourself. ¹⁸ You shall not take
vengeance or bear a grudge
against any of your people, but
you shall love your neighbour as
yourself: I am the LORD.

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

PSALM 119.33–40 (*We respond
with the **bold** verses*).

Teach me, O Lord, the way of
your statutes, and I shall keep it
to the end.

**Give me understanding and I
shall keep your law; I shall keep
it with all my heart.**

Make me go in the path of your
commandments, for that is my
desire.

**Incline my heart to your decrees
and not to unjust gain.**

Turn my eyes from watching
what is worthless; give me life in
your ways.

**Fulfil your promise to your
servant, which you make to
those who fear you.**

Turn away the reproach which I
dread, because your judgements
are good.

**Behold, I long for your
commandments; in your
righteousness preserve my life.**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING 1
Corinthians 16-23**

¹⁶ Do you not know that you are
God's temple and that God's
Spirit dwells in you? ¹⁷ If anyone

destroys God’s temple, God will destroy that person. For God’s temple is holy, and you are that temple.

¹⁸ Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. ¹⁹ For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written,

“He catches the wise in their craftiness,”

²⁰ and again,

“The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.”

²¹ So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, ²² whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, ²³ and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

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

GRADUAL HYMN: Lord, your word abiding: **TIS 427**

Henry Williams Baker 1821-77

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. **Alleluia, alleluia!**

GOSPEL Matthew 5.38-48

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

+ Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

³⁸ “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ ³⁹ But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; ⁴⁰ and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; ⁴¹ and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. ⁴² Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

⁴³ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸ Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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

THE SERMON: Sr Elisa

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

John Chandler 1806-76

Green book page 9, with Seasonal Great Thanksgiving Prayer

COMMUNION HYMN: At the name of Jesus: **TIS 231**

Caroline Maria Noel 1817-77

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Glorious things of you are spoken: **TIS 446**

John Newton 1725-1807

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Worship & Diary this week (24th-29th February)

- Mon – Sr Elisa’s day off
- Tues – 8.45am Morning Prayer and meditation
- Wed – 8.45am Morning Prayer
-10.30am Kirralee
- Thurs – 8.45am Morning Prayer
10.30 am Holy Eucharist and Morning Tea
- Fri – 8.45am Morning Prayer
-10.00-12.00 Cuppa and chat
- Sun-8am & 10am Holy Communion

Readings for next Sunday Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7, Psalm 32, Romans 5.12-21, Matthew 4.1-11



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

- The Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America, The Right Revd Julio Murray Thompson - Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Panama
- All those involved in School Chaplaincy and Industrial Chaplaincy. All Christian community schools and Church schools.
- Ballarat & Queens Anglican Grammar School: Headmaster Adam Heath, Chaplain Tim Gaden, Assistant Chaplain: Peter Treloar
- Nambaiyufa, PNG
- Teachers and students
- *Enthronement of Clarence Bester as 11th Bishop of Wangaratta at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Wangaratta.*

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: Dorothy Thompson, Bernice Wilson, Ian White, Ernest Hammond, Mary Hughes, Lillian Bayley, Keith White,

Ada Kincade, John Atkins, Mr Walker, Alice Rosina (23) James Henderson, William Peart, (Peter) Rex Overall (24) Harry Smith, George Rose, William Snell, Alfred Dell, Keith White (25) Geraldine Law, Frederick Loudon, Marie Oliver, Molly Oliver, Thomas Woods, Leighton Turner, William Hutcheon (26) Francis Ludbrook (27) Travis Ellsworth, Ellen McGregor, Valerie Nicholas, Edmund Shepherd (28), Robert Slater, Ethel Barnett (29)



FEBRUARY

Tues 25th – Shrove Tuesday
6.00pm Pancake tea at Wilkinson Hall

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

Wed 26th- Ash Wednesday services
12.00pm and 5.30pm

MARCH

Wed 4th- 5.30pm Lenten Study in the rectory

Fri 6th- World Day of Prayer – see noticeboard for service details

Sat 7th- 4.30pm Children's service

Tues 17th– 9.30am Theatre Luncheon at the Regent

Fair Trade



Lent begins this week and we enter the desert with Jesus. St Mark records that the Spirit drove Jesus and we don't need to imagine his reluctance – we feel it often when faced with a task or responsibility that is uncomfortable, even dreaded. Leaning back, heels dug in, we are pushed to face some home truths. The topic of Fair Trade demands that we look at our responsibility when it comes to how goods are distributed and sold. Lord, give us courage to ask ourselves if the food and clothing we buy has meant hunger and exploitation for others, and destruction of their culture and livelihood.

The righteous know the rights of the poor; the wicked have no such understanding. Proverbs 29:7
We give thanks for members' work that upholds the values of fair trade, helping people and their communities to take control of their lives with dignity. We ask God's blessing on their environmental protection work so that farming will

flourish despite the challenges of climate change.

BOOK STALL

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

ROSTER

Tony will be arranging the next roster for the period 15th March until 31st May. 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 17th 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 is to 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.

PLANT SALE- just 10 weeks away

Do hope your plants have grown well over the summer, it's now time to separate the propagated cuttings and put into individual pots to encourage extra growth. Also take tip/stem cuttings from geraniums, hydrangea, daphne, lavender and camellias, japonica etc and tip cuttings from fuchsia and pelargoniums. Noella has plenty of pots to share.

PANCAKE TEA

Shrove Tuesday is on 25th February.

Our 2 course pancake tea will be held at Wilkinson Hall in Barkly St commencing at 6.00pm. Cost is \$10 per person or \$20 per family. Please write your name on the list at the back of the church if you would like to attend. There is also a list for those who are able to contribute pancake toppings.

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