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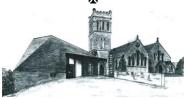
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Celebrating the Love of God for all People

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**Serving our Community** 

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Christ Church
Corner Koroit & Henna Streets

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### CORPUS CHRISTI

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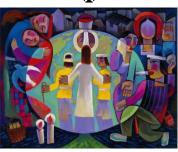
We welcome you to the Anglican Parish of Warrnambool.

We hope that in today's celebration of the Eucharist you will encounter something of God's love for you.

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We acknowledge the Peek Whurrong People, of the Maar Nations, the First Nations people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we are gathered. We give our respect to the local Elders: past, present & emerging. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today.

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## The Generosity of God

The institution of the sacrament of Holy Communion, commonly known as the Feast of Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), provides us with time to reflect on the generosity of God. The Gospel reading for the day recalls Jesus' feeding of the five thousand. The generosity of God is made present in the blessing, breaking and sharing of the bread and fish. The generosity of God is present when we take, bless, break and share in the gift of bread and wine, which is transformed by God's grace to be for us the body and blood of Christ. We who share in this eucharist meal should also be people of generosity. +Scott

## HOLY EUCHARIST

## **GATHERING & INTRODUCTORY RITE**

**Entrance Hymn:** 

God is here!

Common Praise - 301.

- 1. God is here! As we his people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share:
  Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of His Spirit into open minds and hearts
- 2. Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font and pulpit, here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here in newness and renewal God the Spirit comes to each.
- 3. Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
- 4. Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel, help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe.

Fred Pratt Green 1903-2000

In the name of the Father and of the Son ■ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

**Priest:** Jesus is food for us, sent from the Father in heaven. Unlike ordinary food, which just sustains life, this food gives a life that is eternal. From the burning bush to the gentle breeze, God has made his presence known among us since the beginning of time.

**Sentence:** He fed them with the finest wheat

and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

#### PENITENTIAL RITE

**Priest:** As we celebrate the mystery of the resurrection, let us open our hearts, and our lives to God,

seeking God's forgiveness, healing and strength. Silence.

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you bring us pardon and peace. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us your body and blood. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

**Priest:** Almighty God,

who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith, pardon ♥ you, and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord; you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory ▼ of God the Father. Amen. Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!



Music From Taize, Vol. 1Collins, 1993

#### THE COLLECT

**Priest:** Silence. Let us pray:

**Priest:** Lord Jesus Christ,

or

we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament you have given us the memorial of your passion:

grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood

that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives

the fruits of your redemption;

for you are alive and reign with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the book of Genesis 14: 18-20. First Reading:

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.' And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 109: 1-4.

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord's revelation to my Master:

'Sit on my right:

I will put your foes beneath your feet.'

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord will send from Zion

your sceptre of power:

rule in the midst of all your foes.

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains;

from the womb before the daybreak I begot you.

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.

'You are a priest for ever,

a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

**Second Reading:** A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the

Corinthians 11: 23-26.

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn:** We Are Marching In The Light Of God. TIS 666.

We are marching in the love of God, we are marching in the love of God. We are marching in the love of God, we are marching in the love of God.

We are marching Oo- We are marching in the love of God.
We are marching in the love of God. x 2.

Gospel Acclamations: Halle, halle, halle-lujah!

Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

WGRG 1998.

Gospel: Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;

whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 9:11-17.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing. It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the

blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

#### HOMILY

#### THE NICENE CREED

1700th Anniversary – First Council of Nicaea (325)

**Priest:** Let us stand and together affirm the faith of the Church:

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection ¥ of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

**Priest:** Let us pray for all people and for the Church throughout the world.

Lord, hear us, or Lord, in your mercy; Lord, hear our prayer. Hear, our prayer.

**Priest:** Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE GREETING OF PEACE

**Priest:** Please stand for the greeting of peace.

God gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless. Those who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. **Alleluia**.

**Priest:** Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.

Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.

Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you.

And also with you.

**Priest:** Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

**Offertory Hymn:** Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus TIS 517

- 1. Hallelujah! sing to Jesus, his the sceptre, his the throne; hallelujah! his the triumph, his the victory alone; hark, the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood: 'Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood.'
- 2. Hallelujah! not as orphans, are we left in sorrow now; hallelujah! he is near us, faith believes, nor questions how; though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise, 'I am with you evermore'?
- 3. Hallelujah! bread of heaven, and on earth our food, our stay; hallelujah! here the sinful flee to you from day to day; intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

4. Hallelujah! King eternal, you the Lord of lords we own; hallelujah! born of Mary, earth your footstool, heav'n your throne: you within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest; you on earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic feast.

William Chatterton Dix 1837-98

#### INVITATION TO PRAYER

**Priest:** Pray, my friends, that your sacrifice and mine, may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and for the good of all his Church and world.

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**Priest:** Lord, may the bread and cup we offer

bring your Church the unity and peace they signify. May our sharing in this sacrament enable us

to grow in faith and hope.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, ...

... for ever praising you and saying/singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel or be seated.

Holy and gracious God, ...

... do this in remembrance of me.'

**Deacon/Priest:** Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died: Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Therefore, ...

....in songs of never ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

#### HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord's Prayer or Our Father

Priest: Being made one by the power of the Spirit,

let us pray with confidence as our saviour Christ has taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil.

Our Loving God in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us in a time of trial and deliver us from evil.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy and love, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

**Priest:** We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, bring eternal life to all God's people.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us your peace.

The Prayer of Humble Access may be said.

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

#### **Communion Anthem:**

**Communion Hymns:** An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare. TIS 536

- 1. An upper room did our Lord prepare For those he loved until the end:
  And his disciples still gather there
  To celebrate their risen friend.
- 2. A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: To share his bread, his loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, He by his cross shall lift us up.
- **3.** And after supper he washed their feet, For service, too is sacrament. In him our joy shall be made complete-Sent out to serve, as he was sent.
- 4. No end there is! We depart in peace. He loves beyond our utter most: In every room in our Father's house He will be there, as Lord and host.

Text: Fred Pratt Green 1903-2000

TIS 523

Here Lord We Take Broken Bread.

1. Here, Lord, we take the broken bread and drink the wine, believing that by your life our souls are fed, your parting gifts receiving.

2. As you have giv'n, so we would give ourselves for others' healing; as you have lived, so we would live the Father's love revealing.

Charles Venn Pilcher 1879-1961

**Antiphon:** Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ

in the most holy sacrament

hosanna hosanna in excelsis x3

Sentence: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood

remains in me and I in them, says the Lord.

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Priest:** Let us stand and pray. *Silence*.

**Priest:** All praise to you, our God and Father,

for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine: hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ,

we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

**Notices:** 

DIOCESAN 150TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

**Priest:** Please stand as we pray: **Silence**.

Creator God of love, All time and every place is your gift.

We thank you that you have blessed our Diocese for the last 150 years, even when we have failed in our high calling to herald your kingdom.

Your forgiveness,

love and peace sustained generations of our forebears, and we rejoice that you still bless us and invite us to work with you to build justice, hope and love in Western Victoria.

Inspire us with a new vision and new energy as we face the future, and help us to trust and commit to the humble serving path of Jesus, guided by your Holy Spirit. Amen.

## THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

**Deacon:** We pray for God's blessing. *Silence*.

**Priest:** May the Father,

who fed his children with manna in the wilderness,

strengthen you in your pilgrimage to the Promised Land. Amen.

May the Son,

who gave his flesh for food and his blood for drink,

keep you in eternal life and raise you up on the last day. Amen.

May the Holy Spirit,

who leads us into all truth, help you discern the Lord's body and empower you to proclaim his death until he comes. **Amen.** 

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son, ♠ and Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you, and all those whom you love

and hold dear, now and always. Amen

**Priest:** Alleluia, alleluia. Filled with the Spirit's power,

go in the light and peace of Christ, glorifying the Lord by your life.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Recessional Hymn:** All for Jesus. Common Praise – 277.

- 1. All for Jesus, this our song shall ever be; for we have no hope, nor Saviour, if we have not hope in thee.
- 2. All for Jesus--thou wilt give us strength to serve thee, hour by hour, none can move us from thy presence, while we trust thy love and power.
- 3. All for Jesus--at thine altar thou wilt give us sweet content; there, dear Lord, we shall receive thee in the solemn sacrament.
- 4. All for Jesus--thou hast loved us; all for Jesus--thou hast died; all for Jesus--thou art with us; all for Jesus crucified.
- 5. All for Jesus--all for Jesus-this the Church's song must be; till, at last, her sons are gathered one in love and one in thee.

W.J. Sparrow-Simpson 1859-1952

## **Recessional Voluntary:**

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Resources used or adapted: Together in Song, Common Praise, Common Worship, APBA, Roman Missal

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We pray that you have experienced, in some small measure, something of God's love for you today.

If you are a visitor to the Parish or new to our region please make yourself known to us.



## BALLARAT DIOCESE 150TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

## CREATOR GOD OF LOVE,

ALL TIME AND EVERY PLACE IS YOUR GIFT.

WE THANK YOU THAT YOU HAVE BLESSED OUR DIOCESE FOR THE LAST 150 YEARS, EVEN WHEN WE HAVE FAILED IN OUR HIGH CALLING TO HERALD YOUR KINGDOM.

YOUR FORGIVENESS, LOVE AND PEACE SUSTAINED GENERATIONS OF OUR FOREBEARS,

AND WE REJOICE THAT YOU STILL BLESS US AND INVITE US TO WORK WITH YOU TO BUILD JUSTICE, HOPE AND LOVE IN WESTERN VICTORIA.

Inspire us with a new vision and new energy as we face the future, and help us to trust and commit to the humble serving path of Jesus, guided by your Holy Spirit.

**AMEN** 

## STORIES OF FAITHFUL WARRNAMBOOL PEOPLE

As part of the celebrations for our diocesan 150th birthday we are producing stories of faithful people from each church in the diocese.

Here in Warrnambool, we have decided to produce our own book about our parish. We would love you to write about someone who has influenced you in your faith journey. We would like stories of both lay people and priests from all the churches that were a part of this parish over the years.

Submissions and enquiries: <a href="mailto:rdshackell@gmail.com">rdshackell@gmail.com</a>

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## ST BENEDICT'S DAY AT THE ABBEY - 11TH JULY 2025

Eucharist will start at 11.30am followed by a soup & sandwich lunch. All are very welcome.

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## **Nicene Creed Exploration Day**

## Ballarat - Saturday 5th July

This event, to which all are warmly invited, is part of our diocesan celebrations of the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Nicene Creed. Many churchgoers regularly say the Creed during services, without giving serious thought to what they are saying, and why they are saying it. Exploration Day will give us the opportunity to focus on what we recite, to develop new insights into the Creed, and reflect on its role in the life of the church community and our own personal lives. Informative talks will provide input to stimulate discussion in groups, where we all can share our thoughts, insights, and perhaps uncertainties, with one another.

Exploration Day will take place in Synod Hall, Ballarat Cathedral, commencing with morning tea from 10 a.m., and finishing with afternoon tea from 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided, at no charge.

For catering purposes, numbers will be limited, so if you would like to participate in this rewarding day, please notify Revd Dr Mark Garner, <a href="markwjgarner@gmail.com">markwjgarner@gmail.com</a>, no later than Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> June.

https://ballaratanglican.org.au/1700nicenecreed/

## The Sacraments Group

This group is exploring the meaning of the sacraments and all are welcome to join us.

Sunday 29th June 11.00am

We will be thinking about the meaning of our Baptism.

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## **Ladies Coffee Group**

Meeting 12 noon Wednesday 25th June for lunch at the Lady Bay.

Please RSVP Phillipa 0409 879 251

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## **Parish Council**

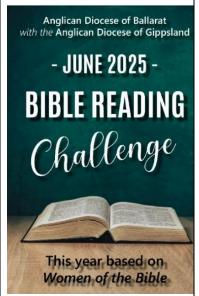
Parish Council will be meeting Wednesday 25th June at 5pm

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## Live streaming

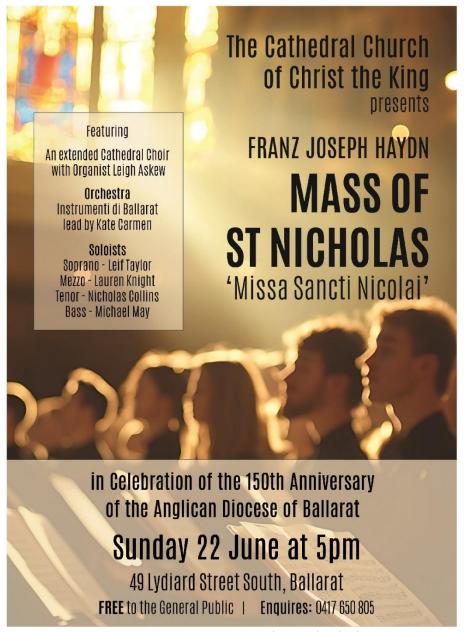
Apologies for the lack of live streaming of Sunday's services. We know its important to a number of people to be able to watch the service live. We regularly have over 400 views of the services. We hope to fix some technical issues but it may take a few weeks.

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It is that time again - time to invite everyone in the dioceses of Ballarat and Gippsland to read their Bibles every day for the whole month of June. This year, rather than focussing on a biblical book, we are focussing on some significant Bible women, from both the Old and New Testament. Hard copies of our notes are available in the Hammond Fellowship Centre or can be downloaded

from <a href="https://ballaratanglican.org.au/brc2">https://ballaratanglican.org.au/brc2</a>
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## Anniversary Service in the Cathedral

Tonight at 5pm in the Cathedral, celebrations of the 150th anniversary of the diocese of Ballarat will feature Haydn's Mass of St Nicholas featuring choir, orchestra and soloists. Canon Robyn and Denis will represent the parish at this special event. Please keep this in your prayers today.

ANGLICAN PARISHES OF CAMPERDOWN AND HOLY APOSTLES

# HYMNS & MUSIC

FROM THE 18th, 19th, and 20th Centuries

# St Paul's Anglican Church Camperdown

invites all to a "Hymn Fest" to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Anglican Diocese of Ballarat

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St Paul's Anglican Church Cnr Church & Fergusson Sts, Camperdown

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Sunday 27th July 2025 at 2:30pm followed by afternoon tea



Guest Soloist
Demby McKenzie



ENTRY BY DONATION TO ASSIST THE ANGLICARE WINTER APPEAL

Enquiries: Rev'd Matthew Jones 0458 862 098

## Bishop Scott update



Bp Scott and Felicity are having a break at Anglesea this week. Please continue to uphold them in your prayers. Photo of Bp Scott and Otto.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK FROM MOTHERS UNION AUSTRALIA

## Ministry of clergy

'to equip his people for works of service '(Ephesians 4:12)

Jesus sends pastors to his church. Their ministry is to help us grow as Christians and be equipped for works of service, pre-eminently serving one another so that we can grow like Jesus. Sometimes we go to church out of habit and without expectations. But that is not the vision of Jesus for his people. Instead, equipped by our pastors, we are to grow together into the likeness of Christ and we are to help each other grow. Church is not merely a habit - it is a unity of people who care for each other, led by the teaching of the word of God.

## Question for thought:

What should I pray for my brothers and sisters in church?

Gracious Lord, we thank you for the Mothers Union in Taejon in South Korea and the ministries they share in supporting the homeless, caring for the elderly and counselling for women in need. May they share the true comfort that comes in trusting Jesus. We also pray for our members in Adelaide and new President Rev. Dr Gethzi Devasagayam.

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## Cyril of Alexandria

Cyril of Alexandria (c. 376 – 444 AD) was a prominent early Christian theologian and Patriarch of Alexandria from 412 until his death in 444. He is best known for his role in the Christological controversies of the 5th century and his central part in the Council of Ephesus (431), where he strongly defended the title of Theotokos ("God-bearer") for the Virgin Mary, affirming the full divinity and humanity of Jesus Christ in one person.

Cyril succeeded his uncle Theophilus as Patriarch and became a powerful and sometimes controversial church leader. He played a significant role in both theological debates and political conflicts, including the tension between the Alexandrian Church and the imperial authorities, as well as with the local Jewish community and pagan philosophers.

Cyril was a prolific writer, producing biblical commentaries, doctrinal treatises, and letters that shaped orthodox Christian theology. He was later declared a Doctor of the Church and is venerated as a saint in both Eastern and Western Christian traditions. His feast day is celebrated on **June 27** and **June 9** in the Eastern Orthodox Church.

"Indeed the mystery of Christ runs the risk of being disbelieved precisely because it is so incredibly wonderful." ~ Cyril of Alexandria

"As two pieces of wax fused together make one, so he who receives Holy Communion is so united with Christ that Christ is in him and he is in Christ." ~ Cyril of Alexandria



DOLL, TEDDY
BEAR, AND
HAND CRAFTED
TOY EXHIBITION



The Guild invites all dolls, teddy bears, and hand made toys, to an afternoon tea at the Hammond Centre, Christ church, Henna Street, Warrnambool Sunday 22nd June at 2pm. Don't forget to bring a grown up and little people.

Tickets will be available at the door \$20 which includes afternoon tea. Raffle tickets available for purchase \$1 1st Prize is a Basket of Fruit







To make this a success we need your help. If you have any old toys precious or otherwise we would love to display them. However, it would really help us if you let us know what they are beforehand so that we can work out displays etc. All moneys raised will go to Oxfam. P.S. Any donations for the Trading Table would be greatly welcomed.

Marilyn Woodward.

## **OFFERTORY 2025 - 2026**

Thank you to everyone who has returned their Thanksgiving Offertory 2025 - 2026 slips.

If you indicated you required 'Envelopes' they are now available to be collected in the Hammond Fellowship Centre. If you have any further question please contact Lois McKenzie.

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## **Irenaeus of Lyons**

**Irenaeus of Lyons** (c. 130 - c. 202 AD) was an early Christian bishop, theologian, and one of the most important Church Fathers of the 2nd century. Born in Asia Minor (likely Smyrna), he was a disciple of Polycarp, who had known the Apostle John, linking Irenaeus directly to the apostolic tradition.

He became **Bishop of Lyons** (in modern-day France) around 177 AD, at a time when Christianity was spreading in the Roman West and facing both persecution and internal theological challenges.

Irenaeus is best known for his major work, *Against Heresies* (*Adversus Haereses*), written around 180 AD. In it, he strongly opposed Gnosticism, a set of heretical beliefs that claimed secret knowledge and denied the goodness of the material world. Irenaeus emphasized the unity of God, the true humanity and divinity of Christ, and the apostolic tradition as preserved through the Church.

He played a crucial role in shaping early Christian orthodoxy, promoting the authority of the four Gospels, the continuity of Church teaching, and the importance of the incarnation for salvation.

Irenaeus is venerated as a saint in both Eastern and Western Christianity. His feast day is celebrated on **June 28**.

"The glory of God is a human being fully alive; and to be alive consists in beholding God." ~ Irenaeus of Lyons

"Because of his boundless love, Jesus became what we are that he might make us to be what he is." ~ Irenaeus of Lyons

## Offering to God

## For the Ministry & Mission of the Anglican Parish of Warrnambool

I am always grateful that each week I encounter many parishioners giving of their time, their skills and their money to support the work of Christ Church. For without your generosity the Church's ministry and its participation in mission would be far less significant. The generosity of you enables the parish and the clergy to care for and respond to the needs, both practically, emotionally and spiritually.

Our offering to God is not just about the giving of money – the giving of time, of skills, of hospitality and of compassion are vital.

There is, however a significant element of our 'Offering to God' that is about money. Martin Luther said that 'there are three conversions necessary: the conversion of the heart, mind, and the purse.'

Where we spend our money reveals our priorities in life and shows the challenge of discipleship. Generosity needs to be encouraged – whole-hearted, open generosity that responds to need, as Jesus teaches that the Good Samaritan showed when he responded to the needs he found on the road to Jericho. Generosity is not primarily about meeting the financial and volunteering needs of the church; but it is essential that God's people are generous in God's house, for if we can't be generous there, where can we show true unfettered generosity? We need to be generous as churches too – living out in our corporate lives, the values that we seek to encourage in our individual walks of faith.

The major financial expenditure of the parish is as follows: stipend, parish assessment, insurance on buildings, utilities, maintenance buildings and grounds.

The major financial income of the parish is offertory income (cash through offertory plate, direct deposits), rental income, returns on investments.

In preparation for a new financial year we are asking people to reflect on your financial 'Offering to God' and help the Parish Council prepare a realistic budget.

Giving Slips are now available to be filled in and returned. These are an indicative indication of what you or your household may be able to financially contribute to the Ministry and Mission of the parish over the next 12 months.

## Conclusion

Thank you for your continued generosity and commitment to Offering to God your time, talents and financial resources.

References: A Short Guide to Encouraging Generous Giving. The Church of England 2013

## For Our Prayers

### THE CHURCH

**Diocese:** Bishop Garry: Bishop of Ballarat.

Bishop Scott: Assistant Bishop.

Stawell: Those clerics and lay leaders providing locum ministry.

**Parish:** Anglicare Warrnambool: Staff and volunteers.

**Region:** Parish of Mortlake: Fr Hayden.

Parish of Colac: Fr Jeremy Morgan, Rev'd Deacon Claire Morgan-Brooker.

Parish of Port Fairy: Rev'd Netta Hill.

Parish of Hamilton: Fr David Oulton, Deacon Annie Ryan.
Parish of the Otways: Locum Ministry – Fr Russell Trickey.
Parish of Glenelg Wannon & Kowree: Fr Wayne Corker.

Parish of Portland: Rev'd Wendy Morecroft. Deacons Allan, Brian, Judy. Mission District St Francis: Fr Matthew Jones, Deacon Kaye Hanks.

**Link Diocese: Aipo Rongo & Dogura:** Mt Hagen. **National:** Primate: Archbishop Geoffrey Smith.

NATSIAC – Bp Chris McLeod (also Dean of Adelaide).

Willochra: Jeremy James TSSF.

**International:** Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola.

**Mission:** Ethiopia, Myanmar, ABM, Bush Church Aid Society.

**Religious:** St Marks Abbey Camperdown – Sr Raphael.

Society of Precious Blood – UK. Community of the Holy Name. The Society of Saint Francis. St Mary's Abbey - West Malling.

## THE WORLD

**Australia:** Sam Mostyn – Governor General of Australia.

United Nations: Secretary General: António Guterres. Refugee Organisations.

Countries: Libya, Sudan, China, India, Mexico, Myanmar, Hong Kong, Iraq, Iran,

Sri Lanka, Syria, Israel, Afghanistan, Palestine, West Papua, Ukraine.

### **COMMUNITY**

**Local:** City of Warrnambool, Moyne Shire, Francis Foundation, South-West Health Care, Palliative Care Workers, St John of God, M Power, MacKillop Family Services, OzChild, Brophy, Emma House, NDIS recipients & workers, the elderly, students, teachers, chaplains, Service Clubs, emergency services, tourism & hospitality industry.

## THOSE WO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS

Susan, Philip, Liz, Patricia, Allan, Bruce, Reginald, Michael, Nadamir, Valentina, Victoria, Judy, Annthea, Sally, Tamsin, Brianna, Catherine, Chris & Lynette, Vicki, Nicole, David, Elinor, Gwen, Sherril, Inez, Gwenda, Valda, Anna, Nilma, Lyndoch, Mercy Place, Opal Nursing Home, Heatherlie & Christ Church Close, Themar Heights, Opal Gillin Park.

## **FAITHFUL DEPARTED** Marlene Hyde.

**22<sup>nd</sup>** Christina "Nina" Pappas 2020.

William Irving 1947, Dorothy Crothers 2016, Donald Jenkins 2018

Terry Patterson 2018.

24<sup>th</sup>

25<sup>th</sup> Pauline Taylor 2007, Edith Bott 2009, John Duncan 2016.

John Morse 2006, Robert Stephenson 2014.

27th

**28**<sup>th</sup> Elsie "Jean" Field 2007, Bruce Astbury 2012.

## THIS WEEK

Monday 23rd June

<u>Tuesday</u> **24**<sup>th</sup> **June** *Birth of John the Baptist* 

5.00pm EUCHARIST

Wednesday 10.00am 25<sup>th</sup> June EUCHARIST

12 noon Ladies Coffee group – Lady Bay

5.00pm Parish Council - HFC

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 10.00am EUCHARIST

<u>Friday</u> 27<sup>th</sup> June Cyril of Alexandria, bishop and teacher, 444.

1.30pm Anglicare Warrnambool Management Committee - HFC

**Saturday 28**<sup>th</sup> **June** *Irenaeus of Lyons, bishop and teacher, c.202* 

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## **SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY**

FEAST OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL

29th June 2025

Christ Church 8.00am Holy Eucharist

9.30am Sung Eucharist

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**Next Week's Theme & Readings** 

Theme: Saint Peter & Saint Paul, Apostles & Martyrs.

First Reading Acts 12:1-11. Psalm: Psalm 33.

**Second Reading:** II Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18. **Passion Reading:** Matthew 16:13-19.

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## BANKING DETAILS

Banking details are below if you would like to make a direct deposit as part of your offertory to the Mission & Ministry of Christ Church.

Bank: Bendigo Bank.

Account Name: The Anglican Parish of Warrnambool

BSB #: 633 000 Account #: 191644061

Bank: Bendigo Bank.

Account Name: Anglicare Warrnambool

BSB #: 633 000 Account #: 194392858



Saturday 28th June 8am
Warrnambool Presbyterian Church
Speaker: Richard Wilson
Topic: Richard's Journey through

**Tragedy** 

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GATEWAY CHURCH WARRNAMBOOL
SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE
2:00PM
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\$10|COFFEE|AFTERNOON TEA

GUEST SPEAKER
PS MARNI BRIFFA
SYNERGY CHRISTIAN CHURCH