

The Christ Church Chronicle

Christ Church seeks to be a centre for the worship of Almighty God, providing strength and assistance for all who enter, and enabling God's Love in Christ to reach out to the community and world in which we live

The Vicar WRITES

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

There is an old saying in Bengal... 'If you keep the Lord close in the summer of your life, He will be there for you in the winter of your life'. This winter has been a cold one and many parishioners have come down with colds and flu as a result. This is especially noticed at the 8am service where the numbers have dropped considerably - I pray for all who are or have been ill that the Lord blesses you with a speedy recovery. Despite this the servants of the Lord at Christ Church Geelong have persisted with many great works to serve God here and continue to set an example for Geelong and indeed the Diocese.

Evelyn Twaddell, Prue Fidge and I attended a vision and direction consultation with the Archbishop Philip Freier at St Paul's, and much was said to congratulate Christ Church on its community meals program. This was less than a week before our Meals Program Thanksgiving Service and so was a fitting lead up. On Monday July 10th Bishop Brad Billings and Nicola Templeton from the Anglican

Foundation, along with Nicola's son Ethan, were the special guests at the Meals Program Thanksgiving Service. They enjoyed a meal in the Hall with our regular guests, and then the Bishop presided over our service and was guest speaker.

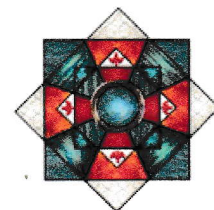
The evening was beautifully prepared for, with a huge amount of work by our Meals Director Jan McGowan and Management Committee member Ruth Christian. The rest of our management and operations team also contributed and GMHBA served the supper afterwards. It was a huge success and Bishop Billings and Nicola were very impressed with the whole operation. To top it off the Bishop and Nicola presented a \$10,000 cheque to Jan for the Program, which will be used for training staff. Congratulations to all our volunteers at the Meals Program - you make us proud.

The Meals Program Service was also an opportunity to thank and farewell Fr Kevin Dillon who is leaving St Mary's Basilica for Rowville. Fr Kevin has been a wonderful supporter for our parish and the Meals Program. David Peek engraved a holding cross for Fr

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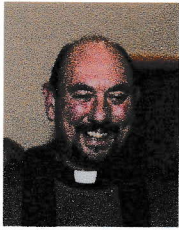


... and have a look at....

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Christ Church Parish Council

The 2016-17 Parish Council (as at August 2017)



Fr Russell Trickey
Vicar



Don Patterson & Evelyn
Twaddell, Wardens



(clockwise from L)
Sue Wong, Pat Peacock,
Prue Fidge, Mandy
Tannouri, Kelli Lavelle,
& Philip Jones

Assisting Clergy at Christ Church- Fr John
Howells, Fr Barry Smith, & Fr Andrew Constance

Kevin and he was presented with a framed certificate of thanks as well.

Our wardens Don Patterson, Evelyn Twaddell and Col Hastings have done excellent work, along with Parish Council and our many volunteers who work behind the scenes looking after rosters, pew bulletins, Chronicles, serving, flowers, morning tea, cleaning, working bees, and more, all to make the church function efficiently. Sadly Col Hastings has retired as Warden and we thank him very much for the many services he has provided. Col has been a great friend and support for me as Vicar's Warden and I wish him all the best for the future. Col has stayed on as Treasurer, a great support in itself.

Service to the Lord is its own reward and continues forever here and in the heavenly life beyond this one. I thank everyone for their service and support. We must be driven by the love of God and perform our duties through Him, in Him and for Him. It is the Lord's grace that makes everything a success. We all do our part and we are all important in the eyes of the Lord. This life is very short and our actions should help lead us into the life that lasts forever with God.

Love and blessings,

Fr Russell

..... from the Parish Registers... (June to August 2017)

Baptisms

June 3rd - Hugo Dickman. (parents Jason and Katie)



June 10th - Lucas McBain, (parents Nathan and Kirsty)

August 5th - Lucas Lindsay (parents Douglas and Terri)

Marriages

25th June - Jennifer Clark and Michael McInnery

Funerals from across the Christ Church community

1st June 2017 - Jane Warren Nevile

5th July - Jean Harriette Jones

25th July - Gabrielle Mastrangelo



Some Diary dates and Reminders!!

- 9th October } FILM NITES - films include 'The Help',
- 11th September } 'Queen of the Desert' and 'the 'Country
- 13th November } 'Doctor' - watch the Parish Press for details!
- 2nd September - Champagne Soiree !!! ... and see p11
- 19th November - Parish AGM

** Watch the Parish Press for more Film Nite details and for news about other Parish events - but mark diaries now!



...and don't forget the dates of the
Saturday Club get-togethers - the
remaining dates for 2017 are on p8



WARDEN'S REPORT - JULY 2017

There has been a significant amount of work by the Wardens and the Parish Council during a period of great change.

Early in the year Peter Dohnt, (People's Warden), retired from the Geelong Council after deciding to tour Australia. This led to his resignation from the Wardenship and the Parish Council. Evelyn Twaddell was appointed Warden to fill the vacancy left by Peter.

In late June, Colin Hastings (Vicar's Warden) resigned for health reasons (see *Vicar's message on p2*) Fortunately for the Parish, Colin was granted approval by the Diocese to continue as Parish Treasurer.

The Wardens and Parish Council continue to work together. During this time it was identified that there was a lack of written information on policies and procedures for new office bearers and difficulty in obtaining relevant documentation on past projects, maintenance and how to do various jobs for volunteers in the parish.

Following vigorous discussions within Parish Council, approval was given for the development of a document and data handling system using software called "Confluence" This system will have enhanced document storage and handling capabilities, including password access for approved office bearers within the Parish. Philip Jones, who has extensive experience in this field, has been working on this development. In future parishioners will be able to access relevant information enabling smooth transition when parishioners retire from a position. All information will be stored digitally. Work is also being carried out in the Parish Office on updating the filing system and archiving of relevant files.

The car parking asphaltting works mentioned some time back will now be carried out in October when the contractor feels the ground will have, hopefully, dried out sufficiently to enable a quality job. There is a large amount of work to be done prior to the sealing works, which we will need to be carried out ourselves (through Working Bees and the Parish

Maintenance teams.)

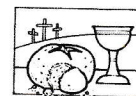
Much repair and restoration work has been completed on the Vicarage roof and bird proofing the chimney pots. This work has meant that a number of leaks and the ingress of debris down chimneys will no longer be problems. Quotes are now being sought to paint window frames and other parts of the Vicarage.

Following the introduction of the new Diocesan incident reporting system used at the Community Meals Program, the Wardens are now monitoring all incidents and forwarding the relevant incident forms monthly to the Insurance & Risk Manager for the Diocese.

We are working together in the best interests of Christ Church Geelong

Don Patterson & Evelyn Twaddell

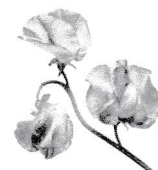
Home Communion



The Parish Clergy are always very happy to bring Holy Communion at home to those unable to come to church for services.

Please speak with Fr Russell or one of the Clergy team to arrange a time.....

Helping with flowers



If you would like to help with the flowers why not think about -

- joining the Flower Guild roster;
- Offering flowers from your garden for the Church;
- making a donation to purchase flowers for a special occasion, or for some other remembrance of a family member or other loved one....

*...speak to **Jan McGowan** if you would like more details! & see the photos of recent Mother's Day memorials on p12*

a reminder.....



During winter attendances have dropped, especially at the 8am service. Please ensure that your pledges remain up to date even if you have been away.

Saint Mary Magdalen



July 22nd was the feast day of Saint Mary Magdalene and as I researched her life I realized there was so much history that we don't know about regarding the saints. Their lives are shaped by grace and they are full of divine potencies; for this reason it is most auspicious to develop a friendship with them. The saints are always praying for us and it is also nice to know who supports us in our search for God. We remember Mary Magdalene as the apostle to the apostles. It was she who first saw the risen Lord and reported it to Peter and the others; she also became a great preacher and her story is wonderful.

In AD 42 Saint James, son of Zebedee, brother of John, was killed in Jerusalem by Herod Agrippa. At that time Mary Magdalene, Lazarus, Mary & Martha, Salome, Cedonius, John Maximin, the Virgin Mary's sister and some maids and servants, were arrested and thrown into prison. Later they were all taken together, put on a boat and towed out to sea without oars or sails. They ended up in the South of France and preached there converting Provence, Marseilles and other southern regions to Christ. They were so potent and their holy words reached deep into people's hearts.

Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead, became the first bishop of Marseilles (I thought that was pretty cool), and Mary Magdalene lived in a cave practicing meditation, prayer and penance. If you visit the South of France today you may find the tombs and holy shrines of all of these saints of the apostolic times. Mary was buried in a tomb at the same place as her friend Saint John Maximin who was sent in the boat along with her and the others. Mary Magdalene's tomb, however, was covered by debris and rediscovered in the 13th century by Charles the 2nd. One can see the tomb of Saint Mary Magdalene at the Basilica of Saint Mary Magdalene in St Maximin La Sainte Baume in the south of France.

Loving God, Our Lord Jesus Christ made Mary Magdalene the first herald of Easter joy. Grant that following her example and helped by her prayers, we may in this life proclaim the living Christ and come to see him reigning with you in glory. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Lord be with you.

Fr Russell



If your religion requires you to hate someone, perhaps you need a new religion!

...some really great news.....



Qurbanali Amiri is a Hazara Afghan born of parents who fled from the Russian invasion and went to live in Iran. After arrival in Australia Qurban was in the Christ Church choir for two years over 2015-16.

He obtained work in Geelong from January last, and this led to his retirement from the choir. His present employment entails rising at 5.30am and starting at 6am, six days weekly - hence Sunday is the only day when he can sleep in!

Qurban still keeps in touch with the church, and some parishioners would have seen him around - he has attended the Saturday Club functions over past months, the Winter Woollies Craft Market, Trivia Night quiz, and Fish and Chippery Night, since retiring from the Sunday choir.

Very recently news has come in that Qurban has received approval for his Safe Haven application, a process which took several months. Eventually this new visa will lead to Australian residency and, ultimately, to Australian Citizenship. This great forward move was supported by the generosity of Christ Church parishioners, who gave a total of \$3677, much of which was used to meet Qurban's legal fees.

Congratulations Qurban!!!!

FOOTY PARKING 2017



The Footy parking team continues to cover the Cats home games, and to date (11th August) have raised **\$3105.50** for the Parish, with two home games and possibly one AFL final still to come to complete the 2017 season... so the final tally for the season should be in excess of \$4K. The Team can always use extra helpers - it's easy, and quite fun to do (though it's more fun if the Cats are winning!). If you'd like to join the team, speak to Phillip Swain or a member of Parish Council - you'd be very welcome!

THE MAD ELEPHANT OFFENCE



The mad elephant offence is the offence of criticizing. Whether done to one's face or from behind the back, criticizing has a very debilitating effect. In India the term "mad elephant" derived from the fact that you can have a very good crop planted but if a mad elephant is let loose in it the crop is soon destroyed. People may set about to get a job done and get all sorts of protocols and procedures in place but the culture of criticizing undermines any good work that is done.

Spiritual principles are needed to create a foundation in a person's heart and mind that constrains the latent tendency to criticize. My mother learned from her mother that if you don't have something good to say about someone then it is better that you don't say anything at all. As Jesus said - remove the log from your own eye so that you may see clearly enough to remove the speck from another's. It all begins with humility.

Without humility it is not possible to help others. The Lord's grace showers upon everyone but that grace cannot hold where there is a mountain of false pride. The rain will fall everywhere but when it falls on a tall mountain it simply washes off and removes the top soil. If we are unduly proud the Lord's grace will not remain but washes off. If we are humble servants of the Lord we will respect the integrity of others and not set about trying to undermine their sincere endeavors.

Jesus commands us to love one another as He has loved us; to do unto others as you would have done to yourself. It sounds simple but it is not commonly applied, even in faith communities. The first fruit of humility is tolerance. That is when people with low self-esteem need constant praise and set out to criticize, one needs tolerance to not react and return evil for evil. Tolerance allows one to have the ability to forgive. The universe is upheld by forgiveness. Isn't the foundation of Christianity the forgiveness of Christ? But even the Lord says that *those who are merciful shall receive mercy*. If we are not merciful to others we draw back to ourselves non-merciful actions. This is the simple law of cause and effect.

So, dear brothers and sisters, when next you feel the urge to criticize, don't gather with other critics

and try to justify your ill behavior. First seek to communicate with the person you have doubts in and sort it out with them. Act openly and don't scheme behind people's backs. Don't criticize and be a white ant thinking you have the benefit of the parish in mind, because you don't. Be honest, straight forward in dealings and co-operate with your brothers and sisters to forward the mission of the Lord. This will create a healthy parish, one where people will feel safe and where the principles of faith and devotion have some hope of producing positive results.

The Lord be with you.

Fr Russell



Writing intercessions.... arranging flowers....-



living and working in our world today with cares and flowers available, weaving the threads of ideas and blooms to make a coherent and beautiful whole to the glory of God and to share with the congregation and bring them closer to God.

Why not give it a go?

(Judy Munro)

Bookings Calendar

The Parish Office has a booking diary for the year covering **ALL** bookings of Parish Facilities (Hall, Schoolroom, grounds, & the Church itself), for both Parish functions and outside events. Please check with the Fr Russell, the Wardens and Office **before** you plan your activity, to make sure the space you need is available!

*I always speak my mind - It hurts to
bite my tongue all the time.*

*If there is a stairway to heaven and a
highway to hell, can we assume which
way the traffic is flowing?* (from Bill Barber)

St James the Least of All



Editor: The Rev Dr Gary Bowness (Parish Pump, UK) continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace', Vicar of St James the Least of All, and his nephew....

On the perils of moving from city to country

*The Rectory
St. James the Least*

My dear Nephew Darren

Those parishioners of yours who won millions on the Lottery and moved into this parish have created quite a stir. It was perhaps a little unwise of them to tell everyone the reason why they had become so wealthy. While most of our parishioners also do the Lottery, few would ever admit it in public. (Since your friends arrived, the entire PCC is buying ever more lottery tickets, but from the shop in the NEXT village, to try and keep it secret.)

However, your family still have much to learn about our country ways. Buying the old Dower House was impressive; and spending a small fortune re-stocking the gardens was certainly commendable. But someone should have told them about cattle grids. It must have been quite a shock for them to wake up one morning and find the thirty sheep from the neighbouring field had wandered in for breakfast.

Their brand new purple Ferrari has certainly brightened up the country lanes around here. The noise it makes as it roars up behind you quite quickens the pulse. Mrs Beamish had been suffering with low blood pressure for months; she says she is quite cured now. The Colonel, who is all for the community support-ing the church, then asked if the new-comers would drive the bishop around on the day he came to do his tour of the parish. The Colonel thought that an open-topped purple Ferrari would make a great bishop-mobile; and the new-comers were so kind to agree. What a shame that they decided to accomplish the several miles of parish lanes in record time: the bishop barely even saw the several farmers that they nearly ran down. His new nick-name in this parish is: The Purple Peril.

The new-comers have installed security lighting, which is understandable. But now I

wonder how much sleep they are getting, as the rabbits, foxes, and badgers who live in their grounds keep it flood-lit for much of the night. Meanwhile, the Colonel is grumbling about the effect of light pollution on his young pheasants in the woods nearby.

But these little inconveniences apart, I am sure they will soon feel at home. I feel confident that by the third generation, they will be properly settled in.

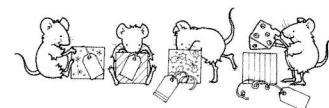
Your loving uncle,

Eustace

From a prayer of St Patrick

May Christ shield me today.
Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit,
Christ when I stand...

VARIOUS COLLECTIONS



Thank you to everyone who continues to bring along items for the various collections from Christ Church. There are baskets in the Children's Area for the following -

STAMPS—to support ABM;

GLASSES & GLASSES CASES—which are forwarded for use in Third World countries;

CORKS—to support research into MS;

SHOE BOX GIFTS—gifts are included in the boxes forwarded to

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD through **MISSION WITHOUT BORDERS**

.... and please watch the weekly Parish Press for monthly special items that are being sought.



THE MEALS PROGRAMME



Each Monday and Wednesday Second Bite delivers food left over from supermarkets. to the Parish Hall. Cliff Rossack and his helpers at the Meals' Programme do a great job packing boxes for families. On Mondays I take three boxes for families in Newcomb and Whittington, and on Wednesdays I get two boxes for families in Corio. Usually each box contains fruit, vegetables, tinned food, bread, sometimes milk, frozen food, drinks etc. Now and then I can provide socks, towels, underwear, books, toiletries and linen.



I find the families very resourceful as they try to use all the food. If there is a new vegetable such as celeriac, artichokes or fennel, they will ask how to use it, or often they Google it. One African family, on arrival in Australia, had never seen a cauliflower so that was easy for me to sort out. That same family loves hot food - so I make sure they get the chillies and other spicy foods. I wish you could see the man in that family pick up a 25kg pack of rice in one hand and put it on his shoulder! Another family loves green leafy vegetables to help with a health issue, and any scraps are used to feed the guinea pig. I get to know who has allergies and what foods they like and dislike. I try to include a treat for the children each week and for their birthdays, and there is always profuse thanks!

Delivering the food is a social time for me and the families. I am always met with a smile and news of the family. We talk about the children, education, health issues, problems with transport etc. There is give and take on both sides. We have been invited to special birthdays; I was given a dress from Africa, bags of aluminum cans for charity, and a CD that one of the mothers produced.

People know when they are able to stand on their own two feet and usually suggest another family who would appreciate a leg up. One of the families shares the food with 2 other small households so there is no wastage. By chance I came across a mother with 3 teenage children with disabilities, so whenever there is spare food I drop it off and they are very grateful. I keep a small supply of goods in our garage for emergencies.

All in all it is a worthwhile few hours each week and I enjoy it.

(Barbara Peek)

FOR YOUR REFLECTION THIS WEEK

'Central to the practices of Christian faith...is shared worship. I assume that all serious Christians worship and pray in private, day by day; certainly little growth in virtue...is likely to happen without this. But I assume too, that serious Christians will worship and pray *together* and will learn, as communities, how to do that wisely and effectively. Just as the sheer act of opening the Bible says, in effect, "Here I am, Lord; speak, for your servant is listening," which is itself the beginning of the heart habit of being open to God, so the sheer act of coming together in worship, week by week, says in effect, "We, together, hope and intend to part of God's royal priesthood, and we are here to draw wisdom from Jesus himself,"'

Bishop Tom Wright



Working Bees at Christ Church




... working bees are usually on the **first Saturday** and the third **Thursday** each month from **9am until noon** on both days... and it doesn't matter if you're not free for all the time, or only on occasional days... come whenever you can! You will be welcome and there **WILL** always be something you can help with!!! ... and it's fun as well!!

THE 5c APPEAL !!



Keep saving those annoying 5c pieces! The Parish is continuing to collect them and they will go towards our mission giving. Bring your 5c collections along to church - there's a collection tin at the main entry to the Church.

Morning tea!!



After the 9.30am Sunday Service there is morning tea in the North Transept Coffee area... Come and catch up with your fellow parishioners!

Christ Church Saturday Club 2017



Program for 2017 Meetings:

Nominally on the first Saturday of the month

Coordinators: Jan/Barbara/David Peek Phone: 5221 4680

date	venue	activity	Organizers/notes
7 October	Breakfast at the Peeks	Yum Yum!	Davis & Barbara - offers of catering help welcome
4 November	Schoolroom 7.30pm	Picnic - . This is my Life? Naval Chaplaincy? Theatre of the Winged Unicorn?	
25 November	Pizza House (next to Peninsular Hotel)	Pre Christmas Meal	\$? Per head
2 December	Penny Royal	Berry Picking!	

* Program may be subject to small changes. All parishioners & friends are welcome. *

Special Ministries at Christ Church - Meals and Emergency Food Relief

The program commenced about twenty-five years ago. It began initially as a breakfast project, but six months later a need for an evening meal was recognised. Breakfast is served every day of the year, and evening meals are now provided on Mondays and Wednesdays. In addition to this, daily food parcels are distributed from the church between 12 Noon and 2pm.

Our clients are the homeless, the poor, the frail, the lonely, recovering addicts of various sorts, and those with mental issues. We operate with a volunteer base of about one hundred, who come from all walks of life, including various religions, service clubs, hospitals, etc. There are no paid employees.

Food and other supplies are sourced from various generous business houses, organisations and individuals, as are monetary donations. Breakfast is cereal, cooked bacon, eggs, sausages, etc. plus tea & coffee. The evening meal is a cooked, nutritious, well-balanced three course meal, and fresh vegetables are always available. We are currently serving approximately **600 meals per week**, and during 2011 celebrated the **500,000th meals** provided to those in need in Geelong.

Breakfast is served: 7.30 - 9.00am

Evening Meal (Mon & Wed) is served: 5-6.30pm

(from Katherine Thyer)

Regular Services at Christ Church

Eucharist - Sundays at 8am, 9.30 am (sung) & 5.15pm (Family Mass)

and during the week- **Eucharist** on **Wednesdays at 10am.**

Meditation every Tuesday from 7-8 pm and Wednesday at 8am (in the Side Chapel)

Morning Prayer - Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8.30am

Healing Services - 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month, at 7.30pm

Children's & Families Service (CAFS) - first Sunday of each month at 9.30am, except in January - but see note above about the 2017 services.

BREKKY @ CHRIST CHURCH

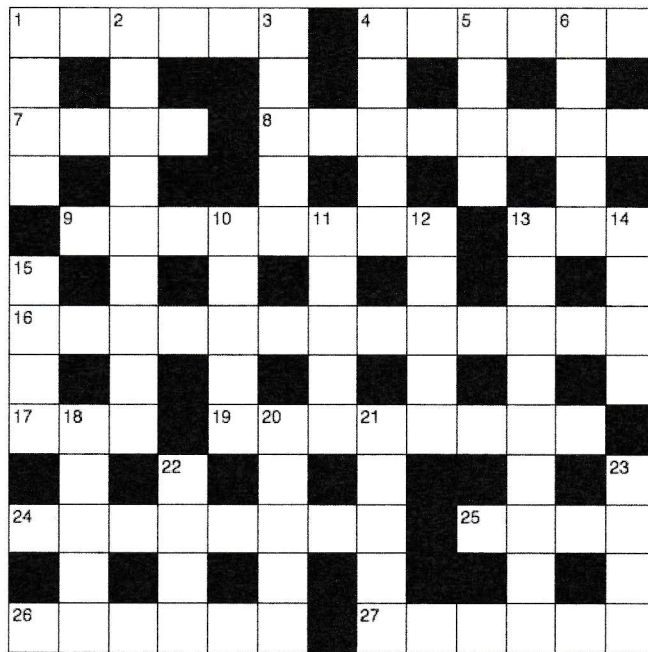


(from Jenny & Les Harrison, & Laurie Christian)

** Parishioner breakfasts continue monthly, with cereals and toast, fruit, coffee and tea - It's a great chance to get together and enjoy breakfast - come after the 8am or before the 9.30am service !!

...it's a great way to catch up with fellow parishioners!

This edition's puzzles !



Across

- 1 'I pray that out of his glorious — he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being' (Ephesians 3:16) (6)
 4 'Saul's father Kish and — father Ner were sons of Abiel' (1 Samuel 14:51) (6)
 7 'Praise the Lord, O my —' (Psalm 103:1) (4)
 8 See 5 Down
 9 Laws (1 Kings 11:33) (8)
 13 'Who of you by worrying can — a single hour to his life?' (Luke 12:25) (3)
 16 Artistry (Exodus 31:5) (13)
 17 'Your young men will see visions, your — men will dream dreams' (Acts 2:17) (3)
 19 How David described his Lord (Psalm 19:14) (8)
 24 'If this city is built and its — — restored, you will be left with nothing in Trans-Euphrates' (Ezra 4:16) (5,3)
 25 'The holy Scriptures, which are able to make you — for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus' (2 Timothy 3:15) (4)
 26 Intended destination of arrows (Lamentations 3:12) (6)
 27 Eve hit (anag.) (6)

Down

- 1 'For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find — for your souls' (Matthew 11:29) (4)
 2 Where Peter was when he denied Christ three times (Luke 22:55) (9)
 3 Remarkable early 20th-century Indian evangelist, a convert from Hinduism, — Sundar Singh (5)

- 4 'Now the king had put the officer on whose — — leaned in charge of the gate' (2 Kings 7:17) (3,2)
 5 and 8 Across The Lover describes this facial feature of the Beloved thus: 'Your — is like the tower of Lebanon looking towards —' (Song of Songs 7:4) (4,8)
 6 'Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled — your waist' (Ephesians 6:14) (5)
 10 Trout (anag.) (5)
 11 Easily frightened (1 Thessalonians 5:14) (5)
 12 The ability to perceive (Ecclesiastes 10:3) (5)
 13 One of the clans descended from Benjamin (Numbers 26:38) (9)
 14 "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who — bread into the bowl with me" (Mark 14:20) (4)
 15 Resound (Zephaniah 2:14) (4)
 18 Traditional seat of the Dalai Lama (5)
 20 Precise (John 4:53) (5)
 21 Build (Ezekiel 4:2) (5)
 22 Beat harshly (Acts 22:25) (4)
 23 Darius, who succeeded Belshazzar as king of the Babylonians, was one (Daniel 5:31) (4)

One sunny Sunday morning, a priest spoke to his congregation: "My good people, I have in my hands three sermons...a \$100 sermon that lasts five minutes, a \$50 sermon that lasts fifteen minutes, and a \$10 sermon that lasts an hour. Now, we'll take the collection and see which one I'll deliver."

Christ Church Sudoku

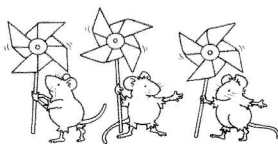
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CAFS at Christ Church

(and see the pull-out activity pages
in the centre of this edition!)

The 2017 CAFS services at Christ Church are on the first Sunday of each month.



CAFS Services are in the Hall at 9.30am on -

October 1 - Blessing of the Pets

November 5 All Saints

December 3 - Preparing for Christmas

December 24 - Christmas Eve service (5pm)

Since July CAFS Services at Christ Church have been starting in the church and after a song and a kids talk, sometimes by Father Russell and sometimes by one of our CAFS team, we all go to our new home in the 'School Room'. At CAFS you'll always find fun activities, songs you know, some new ones, and an atmosphere that makes you want to stay afterwards for morning tea!

Looking forward to sharing CAFS with you at Christ Church this year..!

(contact - Darryl Patterson).



Sunday Afternoon Soiree

At **St Paul's Inverleigh**

featuring Musicians Johannes Roose & Lisa Peters-Roose, and the acoustics of St Paul's.

Sunday 27th August at 3pm

tickets \$15 or at the door \$20

Drinks and Nibbles provided - all proceeds to the church building fund

Email for tix - bruce3321@gmail.com

Situations

Vacant

here's some great volunteer opportunities around Christ Church ...



- **Church sitting** - weekdays 12-2pm
- **Sides persons and welcomers** for all services
- **Readers/Intercessors** (Lessons & Intercessions)
- Assisting with **flower arranging** in Church
- help with **maintenance or working bees**.
- collating the weekly **Parish Press**
- **Helping with the Community Meals Program**
..... (breakfast/evening meals)

..talk to the Parish Clergy or a Council member if any of the above interest you...

God in the Arts

Editor: Michael Burgess (UK) considers "Daniel in the lions' den" as painted by Henry Ossawa Tanner. The image can be found by googling it.

'He gave us eyes to see them': Daniel in the lions' den

Of the seven deadly sins, envy is the meanest and most insidious, eating like a canker into the goodness of the human heart. There are two vivid accounts of its power in the book of Daniel. Chapter three tells how jealousy condemns Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego to the burning fiery furnace, and later it sends Daniel to the den of lions. Up to chapter six, his star has been high in the sky. He has interpreted Nebuchadnezzar's dreams and the writing on the wall at Belshazzar's feast, and as a result received royal favour. But with the reign of Darius, all that changes as his enemies plot against him. Daniel is thrown into the pit of lions as a punishment for not worshipping the king.

In the 19th century Henry Ossawa Tanner was the first African American artist to receive critical acclaim, and he achieved that with two paintings in 1896: 'The raising of Lazarus' and 'Daniel in the lions' den.' This second canvas is a powerful depiction of the mighty opposites that inform the story: light and darkness, right and might, courage and fear, life and death. Moonlight illuminates the scene through an upper window. We see Daniel dignified and composed in spite of the nearness of the lions. They move into the light, but as quickly move back into the shadows. Their might and strength are cowed by the courage of this aged man. We know Daniel's steadfastness and his trust in God will be vindicated for the king hurries to the den the following morning and finds him alive and well.

Darius orders his release and proclaims throughout the kingdom that the God of Daniel is the living God. Righteousness triumphs over might and trust over fear. With that same trust in adversity, we can proclaim that God will deliver and rescue his people: his kingdom shall never be destroyed and his dominion will have no end.





Puzzle Solutions ...(but have a try before you look here!

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Travelling with Peter and Sonya

For those without access to Facebook, here's a litany of the travels of our dear friends Peter and Sonya since they left us in late May (more updates to follow!)

... some of the places visited so far include....

Kinglake National Park

Canberra

Dubbo NSW

Lightning Ridge NSW

Rubyvale, Qld

Mt Archer, Qld

Tambo Qld

Cunnamulla Qld

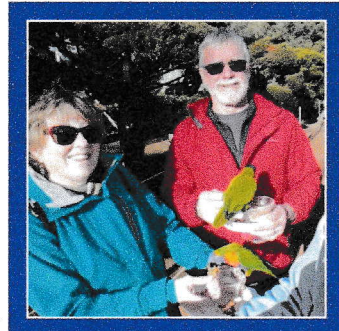
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Blue Mountains NSW

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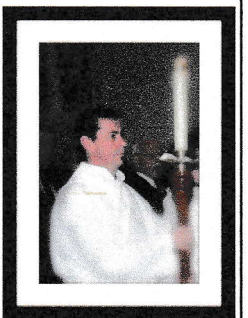
....isn't it curious that they seem to mostly be up in the north of Oz? Wonder why? Hmmmmm



One of my churchwardens is a stickler for 'Health and Safety'...

CONGRATULATIONS!

Mid 2017 marks a special milestone for **Jamie Hayward** - he has been a Sacristan for 30 years - a wonderful achievement. Our thanks and congratulations Jamie... and long may you continue in this important role at our Parish!



Parking at Christ Church

Most parking spots in the Church grounds are leased out during the week....

...so car spaces will be limited, and please display - a **recent 2016-17 Parish Press or Chronicle**

Another date for your diaries!

On **2nd September** Christ Church is holding a

Champagne Soiree

- complete with champagne (of course!), delicious food and entertainment by the beautiful sounds of the *Palm Court Trio*. Watch the weekly Parish Press for details, but mark your diaries - it will be lots of fun!



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THE PARISH WEB PAGE

...Have a look at the Parish Web Page! You'll find lots of details about what's happening in the Parish - services, celebrations, parish events, photos... and lots more!

Do you use email? We need your e-address for parish records!



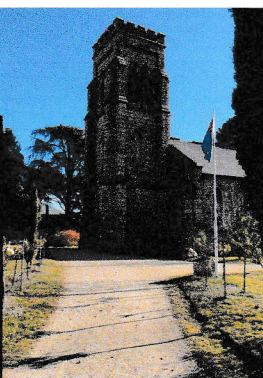
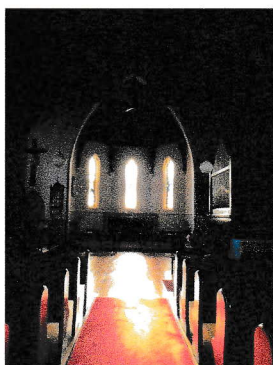
... and more Christ Church pix



The Winter Fish and Chippery dinner at Bellarine Lakes Country Club, July 2017

...another Christ Church!

...of course across the various dioceses around Australia there are quite a few parishes which are designated as



"Christ Church"... So here's the first in an occasional series....

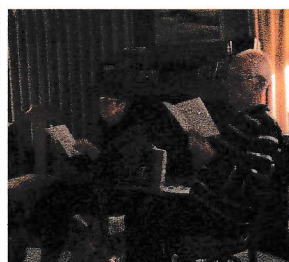
Christ Church, Beechworth

The Parish Website is at <http://beechworthanglicans.com.au>

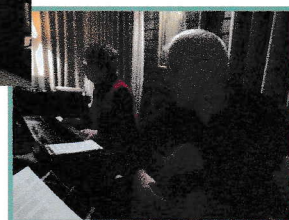
...and it too has Ferguson stained glass windows!

and Urie
More information about the history of this parish and its beautiful church is at

<https://fergusonandurie.wordpress.com/2013/08/11/1871-christ-church-anglican-beechworth-victoria/>

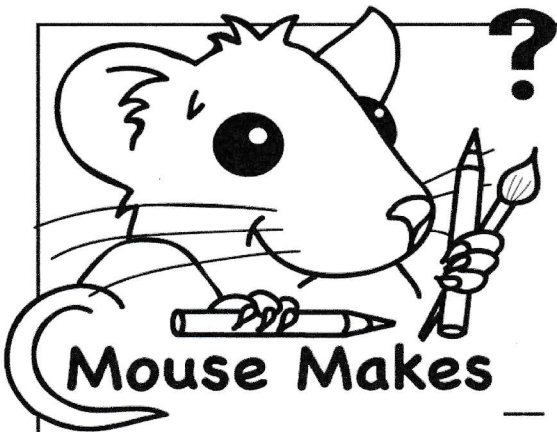


Saturday Club Singalong August 2017





Mouse Makes -



What should not be hidden under a bowl?

Matthew 5:14-15



Who was welcomed back?

Luke 15: 11-32



What ate the seeds that fell on the path?

Matthew 13:3-23



What was lost?

Matthew 18:12-13



What did the wise man build his house on?

Matthew 7:24-27



What is the kingdom of heaven like?

Matthew 13:45-46



DID YOU KNOW?

Jesus often used simple stories called **parables** to teach people about God, His Kingdom and about how God would like us to live.

In His parables Jesus used objects and pictures of the world around Him to help people to understand.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can read Jesus' parable stories in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke but only Luke records the parables of *The Lost Coin*, *The Good Samaritan*, *The Prodigal Son*, *The Friend in Need* and *The Rich Fool*.

Find the parable pictures in the word search

PARABLE • WHEAT • WEEDS
SEED • TREASURE • GATE
HOUSE • ROCK • SAND
PEARL • COIN • FIG • TREE
SHEEP • GOATS • WINE
TAX COLLECTOR
LAMP • PHARISEE
SHEPHERD • SAMARITAN



MIXED UP PARABLES



Which parable picture word goes with which?

NARROW

GOATS

SHEEP

GATE

WHEAT

BRANCHES

MUSTARD

COIN

LOST

TREASURE

GOOD

WEEDS

VINE

SON

HIDDEN SAMARITAN

PRODIGAL

SHEEP

LOST

SEED

S A M A R I T A N T S P S W
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Mouse Makes -

Bible Bite

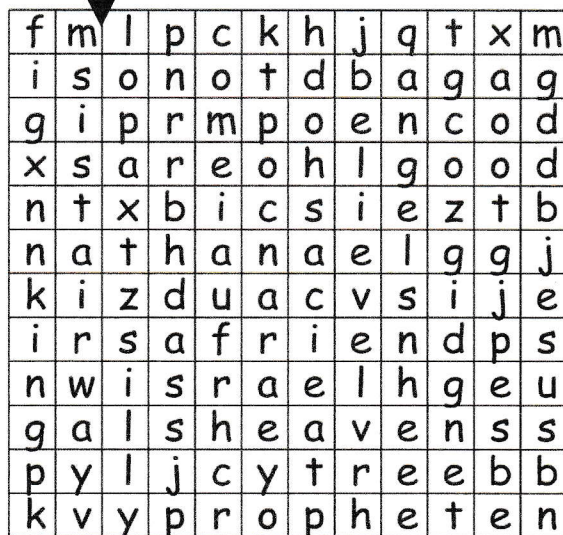
It can be read in the Bible in John chapter 1 verses 35-51

A short story from the Bible

After Jesus had called Peter and Andrew to be his disciples, he went to find their friend Philip...



FIND ALL THE WORDS!!!



come
stairway
tree
son
Moses
Philip
cheat
believe

good
prophet
Nazareth
Nathanael
friend
King
silly
Israel

fig
more
Prince
Jacob
angels
God
Jesus
heaven

COLOUR ME IN!!!

