

COMING EVENTS/FUND RAISING
FESTIVAL OF CHRIST THE KING

Sunday, 22nd November at 9.30am

To celebrate the Festival of Christ the King, there will be one service only (i.e. no 8.00am or 5.15pm). Following that there will be morning tea and a variety concert, *Christ Church has got Talent*, in the church hall. Morning Tea – please bring a plate of sandwiches/cakes/slice, to share.

✳ Could contributors to the variety concert please speak to/or email Sue Wong with your name, the item/s and the length of item/s. If you do this by today, Sunday, 8th November, you can be included on the program (phone 0410 159690 or lsusannewong@gmail.com).

MOVIE, 'THE GOOD LIE'

Monday, 23rd November at 7.15pm
in St Mary's Theatre - Cost \$15

Please come and support the newly established Refugee and Asylum Seeker Working Group. This fantastic Hollywood movie (highly recommended by Diversitat) 'feels right' according to one reviewer. It stars Reese Witherspoon and gets 4.5 stars from Rotten Tomatoes. In order to reach a wide audience (rating PG), Canadian director Philippe Falardeau skilfully finds a way to keep graphic violence at bay and still get the plight of the Sudanese refugees across.

(Speak to Sue Wong or phone 0410 159690 to book).

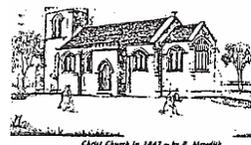
CHRISTMAS TEA

Saturday, 5th December at 6.00pm for 6.30pm
 – Jim & Rae Medlock's home in East Geelong
 [more details next week!]

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday, 12th December at 2.30pm in the School Room
 [For further information, please contact Margaret Tembo]

We acknowledge the Wathaurong people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the lands on which Christ Church and its buildings now stand.



Christ Church in 1847 – by R. Meredith

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Mission Statement

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.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

8th November 2015 Liturgical Colour: **Red**

Holy Eucharist: 8.00am; 9.30am (Sung); 5.15pm (Family)

Sentence

No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends, says the Lord, 'if you do what I command you.'

Prayer of the Day *

*Almighty God,
 whose sovereign purpose none can make void:
 give us faith to be steadfast
 amid the tumults of this world,
 knowing that your kingdom shall come
 and you will done, to your eternal glory;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, world without end. Amen.*



* You are invited to join in this Prayer immediately before today's readings
 Service Setting: 'The Christ Church Service'
 Hymns: 9.30am: 449; 599(2); 745; 547 5.15pm: 599(2); 547
 Psalm Response:



The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Ja-cob is our stronghold.

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The Vicar Writes



Every year on the eleventh of November we remember the end of the First World War and consider with gratitude those who fought, stayed at home and gave their lives fighting to protect the freedom that we often take for granted. The sacrifice made by the folks at that time who stood up to the evil of fascism is glorious because in their sacrifice they went way beyond themselves and laid down their life so that future generations may enjoy the privilege of living in a country where some freedom of speech and free choice still remains.

In devotional surrender one dies to self and lives for God alone and, similarly in sacrifices performed for one's country such as going to war to defend civil liberties, a soul grows into a level of selflessness that draws the grace of God and sets an example for all generations that standing up against fanaticism is sometimes a necessity.

While many men and women were away, other folks stayed at home and kept the country running. Many women joined the armed forces, and those women in particular who stayed at home ran most of the welfare activities in society through the church guilds, Mother's Union and GFS. The sacrifices made brought the country together and a great unity and pride in the nation was born out of it.

If we want a sense of unity in society today, we need to encourage people to render service to others and go beyond themselves. The church remains a place where the opportunity for service is available and here at Christ Church Geelong we set a fine example through the meals program of what can be done if we set our minds on helping others.

It is very important to be selfless in our service and have no agendas. Selfless service will bring unity and strength and agendas bring poison. Pray to the Lord that our purposes may always remain pure and free of selfish intent, then we will attract the blessings of the Lord.

The Lord be with you, Fr Russell

REMINDER - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – this will take place **next Sunday, 15th November**, after the 9.30am service. Please have reports sent to the office **immediately**, so they can be printed and collated during the week.

STALL IN THE COFFEE AREA: There is no Christmas market this year. Therefore, in November and December, Syama is prepared to man a stall in the coffee area after the morning services to help compensate for the lack of the market. Vegetables, fruit, preserves, cakes, slices, etc. are needed to sell on the stall and buyers are required! Let us give it a go! (Barbara Peek)

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. Through your generosity, we were able to forward 39 boxes and almost cover the \$9.00 per box needed to send them on their way.

TODAY'S FLOWERS have been donated by Mary Lewis and Jan McGowan in loving memory of their husbands, Jack and David.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE WORLD: Peace and stability in the world; the United Nations, its peacekeeping work and acts of mercy; those suffering the aftermath of natural disasters.

THE CHURCH: Diocese of Upper Shire; Diocese of The Murray; Archdeaconry of Melbourne; City on a Hill, Melbourne; Queenscliff Parish (100th Anniversary); St Hilary's Kew; St James Dandenong; St Mark's Emerald (Confirmation).

THE COMMUNITY: All victims of violence, and for safety around our neighbourhood.

THOSE IN SPECIAL NEED: Those on our prayer list and in our hearts.

THE DEPARTED: Our own dear departed and those whose yearly remembrance falls at this time (Jack Lewis; David McGowan; Mary McQuillan). We remember with thanks: Charles Simeon, priest and evangelist, d.1836 (Thursday).

The Week Ahead

Tuesday, 10 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	2.00pm	Book Group in School Room
	7.00pm	Meditation in the Chapel
Wednesday, 11 th	8.00am	Meditation in the Chapel
	10.00am	Holy Eucharist
Thursday, 12 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	Pastoral Care Meeting in Vicarage
	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Saturday, 15 th	11.30am	Saturday Club (Car Pooling at Church)

NEXT SUNDAY: 15TH NOVEMBER - TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Readings: 1 Sam 1.4-20; Psalm - 1 Sam 2.1-8; Hebrews 10.11-14 & 19-25;
Gospel: Mark 13.1-11

CONVERSATION AT FEDERATION SQUARE: Join Archbishop Philip Freier and Professor Robert Manne as they consider the political & economic obstacles to tackling climate change and their hopes for the upcoming UN climate summit in Paris, facilitated by ABC Radio host, John Cleary, **next Wednesday, 11th November** at 7.30am-8.45am, Deakin Edge (Admission is free).

UPDATE - THE 'CHRONICLE' – it's still not too late for a contribution to the December *Chronicle* – reminders, dates of coming activities for the first months of 2016, or other Christ Church items of interest – just send them to Phillip at spswain@westnet.com.au. The *Chronicle* is being put together now, so contributions are requested by **Monday, 23rd November** at the absolute latest.

ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS SERVICE: (1st November) – you can (re)listen to the address by Rev. Jenny Dunn, and excerpts of organ music presented by Winton, on the Parish web page – just go to 'Special and Seasonal services' from the main page menu and follow the prompts.

ROTARY CLUB OF GEELONG once again is taking orders for Christmas Hams, Turkeys or Puddings. The sales will assist with their projects in Sariri Village, in a remote part of PNG that receives no assistance from the govt – the objective for 2016 is to provide each home in the village with water (see flyer in coffee area). Copies of the Order Form are with the sides-persons. Further enquiries to Neil Thomas – neilt3@gmail.com – deadline for orders is **1st December**.