

FUND RAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS



The Anglican Parish of Christ Church Geelong



"A community of faith in service to others"

www.christchurchgeelong.com.au

Vicar:	The Reverend Russell Trickey	M: 0433 933738
	Email: trickeyrussell13@gmail.com	
Associate Priest:	The Reverend John St Q Howells	5244 0649
Organist:	Mr Winton Barry	
Office:	Email: chchurch@ocsable.net.au	5221 8055
Office Administrator:	Mrs Patricia Cowling	

FOOTY PARKING



The next CATS home game is on Friday, 29th July against the Western Bulldogs - play starts at 7.50pm, so we'll offer parking once again from circa 5.30pm!

If you can help at the above game, please come along - for more information, please contact Peter Dohnt (5221 4704) or Phillip Swain (5221 9956)

CHRIST CHURCH SOCIAL CLUB

Singalong, Port & Pudding

Saturday, 6th August at 7.00pm at Merle's

Bring your voices & bring your desserts!!

[Please check the sign-up sheet on the crossing table for further information]



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.

JAMES, APOSTLE & MARTYR

2nd July 2016

Liturgical Colour: Red

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

Sentence

While we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh.

Prayer of the Day *

*O gracious God,
whose apostle James left his father
and all that he had,
and without delay obeyed the call
of your Son Jesus Christ:
pour out upon the leaders of your Church
the same spirit of self-denying service
by which alone they may have true authority
among your people;
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: Christ Church Service

Hymns: 9.30am: 470; 650; 533; 112

5.15pm: 650; 112

Psalm Response:



Great things in-deed the Lord has done for us and there-fore we are glad.

(Music reproduced under Copyright Licence 245395/245405)

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.

Thank You

At its meeting on Tuesday night, the Parish Council moved a vote of thanks to everyone who worked to ensure the success of the Winter Cabaret last Saturday night.

Well done everyone!

Indeed, we acknowledge and thank everyone who worked to raise much-needed funds for our church through the various events and activities; and we ask all parishioners to check the pew sheet each week for future functions, and to support our fund-raising endeavours.

Once again, thank you to all concerned!

The Vicar Writes



Saint James, Apostle and Martyr, was the son of Zebedee the fisherman. He was present at the bringing of life back to Jairus' daughter and at the Transfiguration. Saint James in his epistle gives very good instruction on the relationship between faith and works by stating that faith without works is dead (2:17), that faith is justified by works.

It is important to know, however, that works do not indicate faith. For example, a person may work for the benefit of others, but have no faith in God. So what is the relationship between faith and works, and what kind of work flows out from faith? The answer is that any work may flow out of faith and that work will not be one kind of work only, but will vary according to the capacity and inclination of the individual.

When a person comes into communication with the Lord and makes seeking God a priority in their life, God guides that person into a deeper union with Him. The very key to work flowing out of faith will be that work the Lord has directed the individual to do that will be favourable to the growth of relationship with God and the servants of the Lord. Serving the Lord's servants is very important because it is the servants of the Lord who are continuously being drawn by the Lord into an increasing intimacy with God.

Faith becomes strengthened by associating with people who have strong faith. Serving faithful people is pleasing to the Lord who then gives blessings and opportunities for more service. In this way devotional service increases on and on into eternity. The basis of church has always been to function as a community of faith, an extension of the kingdom of God and working in communion with the saints. Each of us is led by the Lord in a unique way, and so our service will not be exactly the same as someone else. We have different talents and abilities, and so the Lord is pleased when we use those God given gifts in His service.

When we become older or ill we can still serve the Lord. Service to the Lord begins with hearing about God, glorifying God, remembering the Lord, praying to the Lord and worshipping Him. These are also works that flow out of faith, only a person of faith will make the effort to engage in these faith works, others will not.

Importantly, work flowing out of faith will be favourable to God and God's servants; it will not be against them. If we harbour envy for the Lord, His worship and despise those of faith, our work will obviously not be devotional service. It is by associating with God through prayer, hearing, remembering Him, etc, and by growing in love for the Lord's servants, that we become purified of envy. By the Lord's grace our hearts become peaceful and we freely engage in the Lord's service for ever.

The Lord be with you, Fr Russell

THE CHRONICLE – the next edition is due in the first week of September... so to allow time for getting it all together, copying and collating, I need to have contributions, etc. by mid-August at the latest – many thanks! Suggestions re future events/services/happenings at Christ Church, or other items that parishioners might like to know, are very welcome and I'll fit them in if I can! [Phillip Swain]



FILM NIGHTS: Please watch out for information concerning the film nights during the next half of the year!

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE WORLD: Peace and tolerance among all nations.

THE CHURCH: Scottish Episcopal Church; Diocese of Ballarat; Anglican Media; Parish of Saint John and Saint Agnes, East Malvern & Glenhuntly; St James' Ivanhoe (Confirmation); St Mark's Spotswood.

THE PARISH/COMMUNITY: Homes and families of our Parish; all who assist in our various fund-raising activities.

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

THE DEPARTED: The recently departed and those whose yearly remembrance falls at this time (Fr Allan Bignoux). We remember with thanks: William Wilberforce, social reformer, d.1833 (Saturday).

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, 26 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer in the Chapel
	2.00pm	Book Group
	7.00pm	Meditation in the Chapel
Wednesday, 27 th	8.00am	Meditation in the Chapel
	10.00am	Holy Eucharist
Thursday, 28 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer in the Chapel
	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Friday, 29 th	5.30pm	Footy Parking

NEXT SUNDAY, 31ST JULY – ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Readings: Hosea 11.1-11; Ps 107.1-9 & 43; Colossians 3.1-11; Luke 12.13-21

BOOK GROUP:

- Please note that our current selection ('Without Buddha') concludes on **Tuesday, 26th July**.
- On **Tuesday, 9th August**, Fr Russell will speak about Christian meditation and lead us in a session. Any interested person (and/or friends) is invited to attend. Fr Russell conducts two meditation groups per week – Tuesday evenings and Wednesday mornings. People are welcome to come along and learn about this form of service.
- The new book ('Fields of Blood' by Karen Armstrong) begins on **Tuesday, 23rd August**, same time, same place. Meetings in School Room on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays from 2 to 4 pm. Jo Dalziel is ordering the book and needs numbers and money soon! Cost \$20 per book. For further information go to: <https://www.bookdepository.com/Fields-of-Blood/9780099564980>.

MORNING TEA: Because a number of regular contributors to morning tea after the 9.30am service are unable to contribute at the moment, we are struggling to put a roster together. If you are able to provide something yummy for the following Sundays, please see either Sue Wong or Evelyn Twaddell. The dates are: 31st July; 30th October; 6th & 13th November; and 11th December