

**THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALL SAINTS  
NEWTOWN & GEELONG WEST  
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
17<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

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

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

**Opening Sentence**

If you, O Lord, should note what we do wrong, Lord, who could stand?  
But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

Let us pray.....

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thought of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**



‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ Jesus said: ‘This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
confident in God’s forgiveness.

**Merciful God,  
our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

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.

Hymn 757(a)  
**Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.**

Hymn 757(b)  
**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.**

### **THE COLLECT PRAYER – *please remain standing***

*The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words – ‘Let us pray’*

O God,  
you call your church to witness  
that in Christ we are reconciled to you:  
help us so to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may turn to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **FIRST READING      Exodus 14.19-31**

A reading from the book of Exodus.

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers.

At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.' Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

Hear the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **PSALM 114**

- 1 Alleluia! When Israel came out of Egypt,  
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
- 2 Judah became God's sanctuary and Israel his dominion.**
- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; Jordan turned and went back.
- 4 The mountains skipped like rams,  
and the little hills like young sheep.**
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? O Jordan, that you turned back?
- 6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams?  
You little hills like young sheep?**
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the  
God of Jacob,
- 8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water  
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

## **SECOND READING          Romans 14.1-12**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Hear the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

GRADUAL HYMN

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:  
you have the message of eternal life.

**Alleluia!**

## **GOSPEL READING Matthew 18.21-35**

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

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

SILENCE IS KEPT

## THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father 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 of 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 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.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The intercessions are now said – please either sit or kneel*

*At the end of each prayer –*

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ

**His Spirit is with us.**

*or*

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

**We meet in his name and share his peace.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERTORY HYMN – *during which a collection is taken to support the work of the parish*

*This prayer is said over the gifts*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.

Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God forever.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**



All glory and honour be your always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who by the power of your spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross,  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin,  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks for the obedience  
of your servant Mary,  
who by your grace answered your call  
to be the mother of your Son.

With all generations we call her blessed,  
And with her we rejoice in the greatness of your salvation.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
For ever praising you and singing:

Hymn 757(c)

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

Hymn 757(d)

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

Merciful God, we thank you  
for these gifts of your creation,  
this bread and this wine,  
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,  
we who eat and drink them  
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;  
and when he had given you thanks  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,  
and again giving you thanks  
he gave it to his disciples saying,  
'Drink from this, all of you.  
This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Hymn 757(e)

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:  
proclaiming his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again,  
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,  
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,  
unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people  
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you Father,  
in songs of never ending praise:

Hymn 757(e)

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

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

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

**Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

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.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus redeemer of the world, **grant us your peace .**

*The priest holds up the bread and wine to the people saying*

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*We welcome all who are communicant members of other Christian churches  
to come forward to receive the sacraments.*

*If you are not a communicant member you are still welcome to come forward to the altar rail to receive a blessing. To indicate this simply cross your hands to your chest with your head bowed.*

*This prayer is said by the priest alone*

Gracious God,  
we thank you that in this sacrament  
you assure of your goodness and love.  
Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving  
and help us to grow in love and obedience  
that we may serve you in the world  
and finally be brought to that table  
where all your saints feast with you for ever.

*We say together*

Father,  
**we offer ourselves to you  
as a living sacrifice  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

*The Parish Notices are given*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and  
minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our  
Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## PARISH BULLETIN

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*We acknowledge the Wadawurrung people of the Kulin nations, the Traditional Owners of the land on which our Church stands. We pay our respects to the Wadawurrung people and to their Elders: past, present and future.*

### Parish Prayer for Growth

Lord Jesus Christ  
you call us to continue your  
saving work of drawing all people to yourself.  
Open our hearts by your  
Holy Spirit so that,  
strengthened in faith,  
growing in hope,  
and living in charity,  
we may make your name known and loved  
throughout our community.  
Give us the grace to work together as one family,  
to be a parish that reaches out and gathers in,  
sowing seeds of faith, love and compassion,  
making disciples of others  
and reaping the harvest of joy,  
with you who live and reign  
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer Diary** St Columb's Anglican Church Hawthorn (Mark McDonald, Paul Hughes); The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; The Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn (Bp Mark Short, Asst Bp Carol Wagner, Clergy & People); Department of Theological Education (Bp Kate Prowd, Assistant Bishop, Monomeeth Episcopate); Confirmations at St John the Evangelist Epping (Bp Brad Billings); St Paul's Cathedral – pastoral visit (Bp Kate Prowd); St Andrew's Aberfeldie – pastoral visit (Abp Philip Freier); Health Chaplains Service – St Paul's Cathedral (Abp Philip Freier).

**Year's Mind 17 – 23 September** Margaret Steene\* 1977; Judith Flemming\* 1993; Margaret Steere 1997; John Cave\* 1980; Roderick Fraser\* 2010; Barbara Ryan 2010; Walter (Bill) Dexter\* 1998.

**For Your Prayers** Clive Shaw, Rob Hortin, Liz Bufton, Janet Nelson, Hazel Chenery, Rev. Carlie, Cassandra Theelke, Nastaran, Hasan and family.

**Recently Departed:** Michelle Walker

### Services in September

<b>17<sup>th</sup> September Pentecost 16</b>	8.00 am Said Eucharist Carlie	9 am Contemporary Eucharist Sheridan	10.30 am Sung Eucharist Stephen/Sheridan
<b>24<sup>th</sup> September Pentecost 17</b>	8.00 am Said Eucharist Stephen	9 am Contemporary Eucharist Stephen	10.30 am Sung Eucharist with incense Stephen
<b>1<sup>st</sup> October Pentecost 18</b>		10 am Combined Eucharist	
<b>8<sup>th</sup> October Pentecost 19</b>	8.00 am Said Eucharist TBA	9 am Contemporary Eucharist TBA	10.30 am Sung Eucharist with incense TBA

***Morning Prayer*** Tuesday – Friday at 9am.

***Meditation*** Thursday 8 – 8.45am.

***Mid-week Eucharist*** Wednesday 10am.

### Next week's Readings - Pentecost 17

Exodus 16.2-15, Ps 105.1-6,37-45, Philipians 1, Matthew 20.1-16

### Donations

If you would like to donate to the life and work of this Church, you may deposit directly to the Parish bank account: BSB 013 642 Ac: 008 601 804.

### Wesley Sustainability News

The latest edition is available on the noticeboard and has been posted on our website.

## All Saints Games afternoon

On Thursday afternoon each week a small group meet to play scrabble in the Library and Meeting Room (LaMP) at the front of the hall. All are welcome. Some visitors bring their own craft or play another board game if preferred. Please feel free to join in. We meet from 2 – 4.30 pm and enjoy afternoon tea around 3 pm. For further information please phone Dinah 0418 547 753.

## 2024 Lectionary

The lectionary for the upcoming year will be available soon. If you would like a copy please check if your name is on the list at the back of the church and add your name if it is not already there. If you do not require a copy this year please cross out your name. Payment of \$15 per copy can be made at the office by card, in person or over the phone. Cash payments are welcome.

## Voice to Parliament Discussion with Glenn Loughrey



Wednesday 13th September,  
2:30-4:30pm

at St James Anglican Church,  
Drysdale 55 Collins St Drysdale 3222  
and on

Wednesday 13th September,  
6:30-8:30pm  
at St Stephen's Anglican Church,  
42 Regent St, Belmont 3216

Glenn Loughrey, a Wiradjuri man and an Anglican minister, will speak on the Voice to Parliament. Whatever your initial thoughts on the Voice we all need to be informed and think through what it means for us as Australian as we prepare to vote in a referendum later this year. There will be a chance for interaction and questions as we learn together. Rev Canon Glenn Loughrey is a priest, artist and author and has a special interest in indigenous issues. He is a Wiradjuri man. In August 2021, he was appointed a canon of St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne and became the artist-in-residence. In this role, he has produced artwork for two new windows showing how the Cathedral sits on the land of the original indigenous people.

## Combined Refugee Action Group

Photo and poster exhibition dedicated to the refugees and people seeking asylum who have sought safety and a new life in our community. Launch: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 6pm Geelong Regional Library, ground floor, 51 Little Malop St, Geelong. Exhibition runs from 25<sup>th</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023. RSVP. <https://www.trybooking.com/CKDs> by 11/9/23.

## 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Windfire Festival



The festival this year is being held in several venues There will also be free lunchtime concerts on the coast Monday 9 – Friday 13 October 12.30 to 1.00 pm at Queenscliff, Drysdale, Point Lonsdale, Torquay and Barwon Heads. Flyers are available at the back of the church. Follow for information. [Windfire Music Festival – Music at the Basilica](#)