



ST JAMES' PARISH NEWS



FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

To Know Christ, To Serve Christ, To Proclaim Christ

24 November 2019

WORSHIP AT ST JAMES TODAY

SENTENCE: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. *Zechariah 9.9*

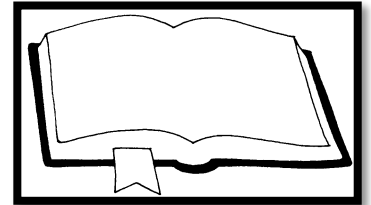
COLLECT: Eternal God,
you exalted Jesus Christ to rule over all things,
and have made us instruments of his kingdom:
by your Spirit empower us to love the unloved,
and to minister to all in need,
then at the last bring us to your eternal realm
where we may be welcomed into your everlasting joy
and may worship and adore you for ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

HYMNS: TIS 216; MP 454; TIS 228; TIS 231.

A READING – Jeremiah 23.1-6

A reading from the book of Jeremiah Chapter 23 beginning at the 1st verse:

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ² Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. ⁵ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'



Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PARISH NEWS, HAPPENINGS & PRAYER POINTS – 24 NOVEMBER 2019



If you are visiting us today, it is wonderful you have joined us to worship the Living Lord.

If you would like to find out more about Jesus or His church here at St James, please speak to the clergy or a parishioner.

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday:

8am: Holy Communion

10am Holy Comm. & Morning Tea

4:30pm Arabic speaking Congregation

6pm Chollo speaking Congregation

Wednesday Morning:

10am Holy Comm. & Morning tea

Friday Evening:

5pm Evening Prayers - All welcome

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TODAY

Parish Annual Meeting

1 December

First Sunday of Advent

15 December

Carol Service & Night Market

ANNUAL MEETING: 12PM TODAY!

Don't forget our Annual Parish Meeting is on **TODAY** at **12 noon** with a light lunch and fellowship from 11.30am.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to those who have served on Parish Council this past year and are stepping down: Margo Hartley, Beryl Tharle, Jacob Wright, Therese Carnie and Deva Manohar.

Parish Office Bearer Nominations

We praise God for those who have nominated to serve as members of Parish Council, Churchwardens and Incumbency Committee this coming year. They are:

Churchwardens:

Michael Willis (vicar's appointment) Ashton Diedricks Marien de Bruyne

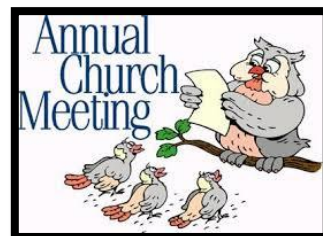
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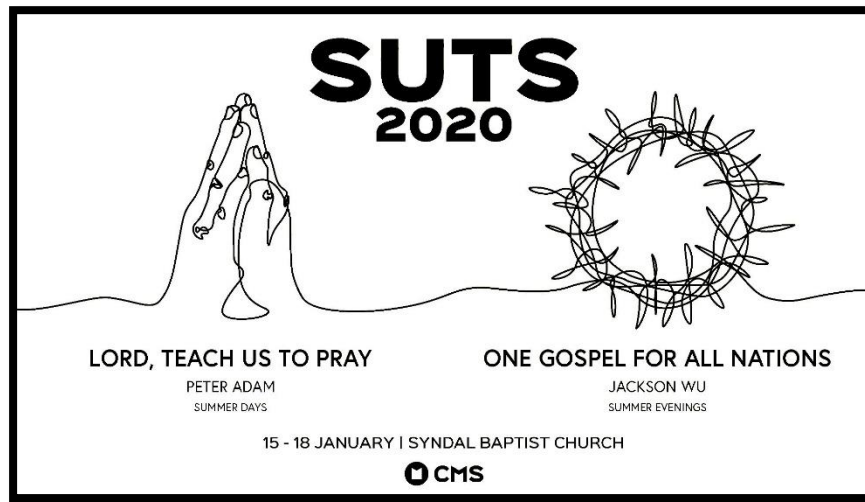
Gay Sherry Bryan (Rusty) Nicholls
Christine Stork Jeremy Smith
Clovis Bignoux Henry Wheeler

Incumbency Committee:

Lin Richards Karin Dudley

There is no need for elections as the number of nominations is equal to the number of vacancies.





CMS SUMMER UNDER THE SON (15-18 JANUARY)

SUTS is CMS Victoria's annual cross-cultural missions conference - connecting local Christians with God's mission plan to see A World That Knows Jesus. The daytime talks will be on prayer by Peter Adam: Lord, Teach us to Pray.

The evening talks will be on humbly speaking the gospel to other cultures by Jackson Wu. Venue: Syndal Baptist Church, Glen Waverley. See: summerundertheson.org

CMS SUTS YOUTH CAMP (13-17 JANUARY)

Summer Under The Son Youth Camp believe that young people are called to participate in God's redemption plan for everyone. For this reason, the camp's vision is to empower youth to transform the world to know Jesus. Venue: Phillip Island Adventure Resort. See: summerundertheson.org/youth

We are providing a discount for St James youth who wish to attend, but you must register by November 28. Contact Rev Graeme or Rev Jeremy to arrange this.

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH DEBATE - 12PM SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER

You are invited to stay a little longer after the 10am service on 1st December because our youth will debate the topic: Do the Ten Commandments bring us freedom or restrict us? We would love you to come, hear from our youth and consider this relevant issue. The debate will be held in the church and run from 12-12:20pm.

MISSION BOXES

If you have forgotten your Mission Box today you can return it next week. Anyone who would like to know more about a Mission Box and be a regular giver to the Anglican Missionary Organisations – Anglican Board of Mission – Australia (ABM), Bush Church Aid (BCA), Church Missionary Society – Victoria Inc (CMS) speak to our **new Mission Box Secretary, Kaye Schendzielorz (9700 1770)** and she will be happy to arrange one for you.

CHRIST THE KING

As we celebrate today the feast of Christ the King, it will be good for us to pause and reflect for a moment on what sort of King Jesus is. What do the Scriptures say about his coronation, his Kingship and his Kingdom. We turn to **Luke 23:33-43** for some answers.



Introduction: What sort of King will Jesus be and what will his kingdom be like?

1. His Coronation: Mockery and rejection

- a. Crowned with a crown of thorns (Matthew 27:29)
- b. Pronounced King of the Jews in mockery (38)
- c. Crowned King of Kings.

2. His Kingship: He came to serve and to die for our Salvation

- a. What sort of a king was he?
- b. How does he fulfil God's promises: Is he Messiah, Son of Man, or Suffering Servant?
- c. He carried our sins so that we might be forgiven, and he died for our salvation (33-39)

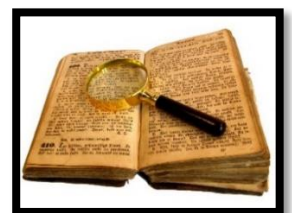
3. His Kingdom: Here, but still coming.

- a. His kingdom is among us
- b. Yet his "kingdom does not belong to this world" (John 18:36-37)
- c. His kingdom awaits us: "Remember me when you come into your kingdom" (42-43)

A good question to think about is: Does Jesus kingdom rule extend into my heart? Or is it my own selfishness and greed that rules my heart?

FROM THE ARCHIVES - May 1953 Vicars letter - Dedication of the Porch

The Archbishop of Melbourne will dedicate the Porch at 11am on Sunday, May 17th. The Dandenong sub-branch and the Australian Legion of Ex-Servicemen and Women have been invited to attend in force.



The response to the appeal for funds to pay for the Porch is still rather disappointing. We need at least another £300. If you have not yet contributed, will you please do so as soon as you can, either by giving money or gold.

Apart from the actual building of the Porch, a great deal of work had to be done on the west wall of the Church. This is really a matter of normal maintenance. But all has to be paid for.

The Parish Hall

It has been decided to have a debutante set at the Ball. Girls who wish to be presented are asked to inform the secretary of the Ball committee, Mr Ron Scott.

CLEANING ROSTER for November – Fridays @ 8am
29 Nov: Christine & Tyrone

LAWN MOWING ROSTER:
30 November: David & Marg Brown
7 December:



ST JAMES OFFERTORY GIVING

October Actual: \$13,102 Budgeted: \$12,917
October Surplus: \$185 Year to Date Surplus: \$185

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:



We pray for: the people and community of the parish of Charlton and Donald. **Please** also pray for the wonderful work of Brand New Day and all who assist refugees and families under stress in Dandenong.

We pray for those who are sick or troubled in body or mind, or who have special needs: *(Please put names in the Book for Prayers located with the Name Tags at the rear of the Church. This book is for use for prayers for anyone who is in need of them)*

Mike; Jan; Antoinette; Claire; Fred; Ruth; Alma; Don; Terry; Margaret; Olive; Lucile; Mary; Jago; Emmanuel & Jeje; Brenda; Allan; Owen; Ian; Vyvyan; Noel; Melody; David; Robert; Gloria & Lew; Tammy; Janet; Sally; Trudy; Dane; Stanley; Kamie; Sherene; Suzie & Charles; Trisha; Sr Gloria, Bob; Nicole; Elise; Mazzie; Beryl; Beryl & Alan; Milton; Hazel; Renzo; Meg & John; Jonathan; Elaine; Kieran; Jason; Stephen; Mark; Helga; Judy; Maria.

Prayers: We pray for the Falkland Islands; Diocese of Tasmania; Department of Theological Education; Parish of Upwey/Belgrave Upwey; Confirmations @ Holy Trinity, Coburg, Holy Trinity, Williamstown and St John's, Diamond Creek; St Jude's, Carlton; St Faith's Burwood; Archbishop Philip and all our bishops in their ministry this week.

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS – 1 December

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:9-14; Matthew 24:36-44.

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Song of Zechariah



Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel:
you have come to your people and set them free.

**You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour:
born of the house of your servant David.**

Through your holy prophets, you promised of old:
to save us from our enemies, from the hands of
all who hate us,

**To show mercy to our forebears:
and to remember your holy covenant.**

This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

**Free to worship you without fear:
holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life.**

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High:
for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,

**To give God's people knowledge of salvation:
by the forgiveness of their sins.**

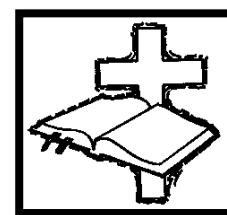
In the tender compassion of our God:
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death:
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

FIRST READING - Colossians 1.11-20

A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians Chapter 1 beginning at the 11th verse:

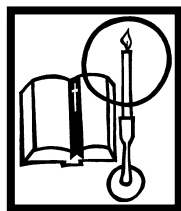
¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.



Hear the word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING – Luke 23.33-43

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke Chapter 23 beginning at the 33rd verse: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ



³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷ and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' ³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴² Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' ⁴³ He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ