

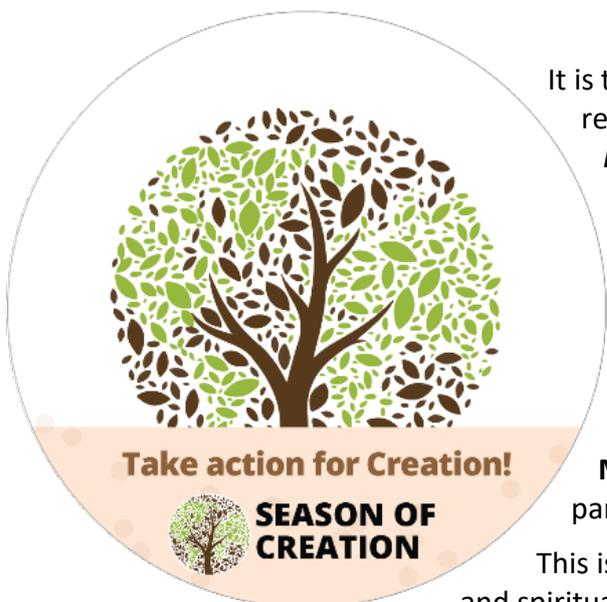
THIS MONTH, SEPTEMBER, SUNDAY 10AM WORSHIP AT ST JAMES POINT LONSDALE
(OCTOBER AT ST GEORGE'S QUEENSCLIFF)



Lovers of the Place^{*}
In the Season of Creation
Newsletter – Queenscliff Lonsdale Anglicans
Sunday 5th September, 2021
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
(by hand to those without email)

SEASON OF CREATION September 1 to October 5

This church season culminates in the Feast of St Francis, long declared the patron saint of the environment.



Two Days of Action:

It is time to take to heart the message we are hearing on Sundays over recent weeks from the letter of James:

Be doers of the word and not merely hearers who deceive themselves (1.22)

This is a global action across two days by faith communities of all religions to demand strong action and ambitious goals in addressing the warming of the planet.

Sunday 17th October. Local Action at St George's Church following our 10.00am Sunday Eucharist with a gathering and the ringing of the bell. Similar to what we did in March

Monday 18th October. Regional interfaith gatherings outside the parliamentary offices of our two federal local members.

This is about more than the truth of science: this is the biggest moral and spiritual challenge humanity has ever faced:

"Our common home is being pillaged, laid waste and harmed with impunity. Cowardice in defending it is a grave sin." - His Holiness Pope Francis

"We must not sacrifice our civilisation for the greed of a few" - His Holiness the Dalai Lama

"The world is beautiful and verdant and God has appointed you as His stewards over it. He sees how you acquit yourselves" - The Prophet of Islam Muhammed

Let us pray:

Holy God, earth and air and water are your creation, and every living thing belongs to you: have mercy on us as climate change confronts us.

Give us the will and the courage to simplify the way we live, to reduce the energy we use, to share the resources you provide, and to bear the cost of change.

Forgive our past mistakes and send us your Spirit, with wisdom in present controversies and vision for the future to which you call us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**We acknowledge that we gather and worship on the traditional land of Wadda Wurrung people and honour and pay our respects to their Elders past and present. We affirm, with them, in the Wadda Wurrung language: 'kim barne barre Wadda Wurrung' (this is the land of the Wadda Wurrung).*

PRAYERS

Each week in the 'OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK' part of this Newsletter there is a sub-heading, 'Requests', where we pray for particular people. Specific and intentional prayer is always valuable, especially so in the current circumstances of the COVID 19 pandemic. We continue to be enormously encouraged by the way our sustained prayers for people and for situations, in the mystery of God's loving purposes for us all, seem to play a part in positive outcomes. If you would like to add your name, or the name of another, please inform either myself (contact details below) or Ros Myer (mb 0418 527 355; email. rosalindmyer@gmail.com).

Please note that, from now on, this prayer list will be cleared every month. This means names may be removed from the list if the current situation is not known. If you find that a name has been removed and you would like prayers to continue, please let us know so that the name can be reinstated.

Privacy – When making a prayer request, please:

1. tell us if you would prefer the name to be kept confidential, and not appear on the list.
2. be aware, if you are requesting prayers for someone else, you will need their permission for their name to appear on the list. Or, be sure they would have no objection, in circumstances where permission is difficult to obtain.

Fr Peter.



The Spirit groans with creation and informs our prayer from the earth upwards. (Romans 8.22). If we are not so connected with the earth our connection with the Spirit is not all that it might be.

FROM THE TREASURER

Lockdown has once again kept us away from attending church. Once again Father Peter, and his team of helpers, has ensured that we have a livestreaming of the service every Sunday. This has been gratefully received and enjoyed by our Parishioners, aged care residents, and many further afield in what is becoming an 'extended belonging' to the Parish. As a Parishioner recently shared – 'many of the other Victorian Parishes have chosen not to livestream this time, so we are very fortunate!'

This also means that we don't have our Open Plate collection (which has actually been a collection box at the entry of the church since Covid). I have been asked how you can give while in lockdown. Here are the options:

1. A direct debit to our Parish Bendigo Bank account:
BSB: 633000
A/c: 157 443 508

Account Name: Anglican Parish of St George's Queenscliff and St James' Point Lonsdale

2. Through the ADF (Anglican Development Fund). You can fill out a form (which I can give or email you) and the money is sent to the Diocese which is then anonymously deposited into our account monthly. This has the benefit of being entirely confidential and the parish pays NO fees to the Diocese for this service.
3. By cheque. A cheque can be dropped into the Parish Office locked mailbox at the top of the St James' driveway.

The beauty of options 1. and 2. is that you can set up a regular transfer to the Parish. This is incalculably helpful in anticipating our cash flow which, in turn, enables better planning.

We thank you for your continued support and hope that you are able to access our livestreaming service every Sunday through our website. I am grateful to have been on the rostered team and have found the services to be uplifting and spiritually nourishing. (cont. next page)



Give

Serve



Attend



Grow

Stewardship

Please consider how you give over this challenging time. As I have already expressed in earlier articles, we need to cover our operating costs each month with our sacrificial giving.

Stay safe and take care, and hopefully we will be able to meet again in church soon and have morning tea catch ups.



Another way to support the Parish

As we have to shop locally these days, next time you are at the checkout of one of the local IGAs, either Queenscliff or Point Lonsdale, ask about allocating your reward points to 'St James/St George Charity Account'. From the built-up credit we can purchase sacristy, office, morning tea and bathroom supplies. Every little bit helps. Please make the effort to allocate your reward points to the parish.

Sally Hawkins, Treasurer: mb. 0427 651038 e. sallhawks@hotmail.com

GOSPEL OF THE DAY

Mark 7.24-37

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs. 'But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs. 'Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter. 'So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened. 'And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

ORDER OF SERVICE WITH READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 5th SEPTEMBER: [CLICK HERE](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER: [CLICK HERE](#)

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Prayer of the week O God,
you know us to be set in the midst
of so many and so great dangers
that by reason of the frailty of our nature
we cannot always stand upright:
grant to us such strength and protection
as may support us in all dangers
and carry us through all temptations;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Nations and Peoples Afghanistan

The Church

Oodthenong Episcopate: Russell Trickey and Syama,
Christ Church Geelong Shirley Littras, St Stephen's Belmont;
Roxanne Addley, The Parish of Holy Trinity, Lara w. Christ
Church, Little River

Mission: To pray for our Church each day go to [The
Melbourne Anglican](#).

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of Mission](#).

Our Common Home – The Earth. 2 Days of Global
Interfaith Action Oct 17 and 18

Requests Fr Moewin Those who currently suffer from
Covid 19: Saw Judson Win; Saw Tar Toe; Naw Hser Gay Moo;

Naw Thu Lay Paw's Family; Saw Aye Than (my uncle); Saw
Moses (my cousin); Naw Mu Nun (my cousin); Naw Kyi Mu
(my cousin); Naw Sheropaw; Saw Aung Myit; John Will Min
(Retired Bishop); Naw Nin Nwe Lay ; Naw May Nin Cho.
Ken; Pam; Mary-Anne; Zoe, Mary; Shane; Peter; Helen;
Robert; Patricia; Julia; Barry; (& Anne); Philip; Greg; Ron;
Alice; Betty; Carlie; Lucy; Parvin; Sisi; Pixie, Julie and Bill;
Angela; Jennifer; Ben; Terry; Trish; Ros

Communion of Saints

Sanctoral cycle this week Birth of Mary, Mother of our
Lord; Mother Esther CHN, founder of the Community f the
Holy Name, Melbourne (d. 1931)

Recently dead Bartley Edward (Ted) Bailey d. 16.8.2021
Anniversaries Florence Elizabeth Garrett 05.09.1981; Ellen
Francis Barber 5.09.1993; Joseph Goodwin 5.09.1993; Ann
Bucher 05.09.1994; Francis Stanley Tennyson Hallam
5.09.1995; Diana Joan Butler 05.09.2004; James Hutchins
6.09.1964; Alfred Wellington Wood 6.09.1991; Ruby Stead
6.09.1997; Ronald Gordon Pigdon 7.09.1969; Eileen Baxter
7.09.1978; Josephine Evelyn Williams 7.09.2004; Nellie
Mary May Henry 7.09.2010; Sidney Terence Wright
7.09.2010; Barbara Villers Butler 07.09.2012; Norman Smith
Fettell 08.09.1967; Juliet Bishop 8.09.1984; Mary Christina
(Molley) Mack 8.09.1992; Katharin Janet Wilks 8.09.1992;

