



Lovers of the Place^{*}

Newsletter – Queenscliff Lonsdale Anglicans

Sunday 27th November 2022

1st Sunday in Advent

(by hand to those without email)

REMINDER – December Worship will be at St Georges Queenscliff.



Dear people of St George's and St James',

The Advent Wreath stands before us during this season leading up to Christmas.

A wreath, being round, has no beginning or end, testifying to God's never-ending love for His people.

The candles represent the One who said "I am the light of the world". Our Advent prayer is that we may cast away "the works of darkness and put on the armour of light". Candles are lit on successive Sundays to symbolise the Coming of Christ.

The wreath is made of evergreens, an ancient symbol of immortality, reminding us that it is our belief in Christ that guarantees us everlasting life.

The appearance of the wreath and candles is not symmetric. It looks incomplete and unbalanced. This reminds us of our present existence, living precariously in the time of "not yet" between the First and Second Comings of Jesus.

The Advent wreath can be imagined as a stylised crown, and the colour of the candles is the ancient colour of royalty, but also the colour for penitence. This challenges us : are we sorry for our sins ? Are we ready to face Christ the King "on the last day, when He comes again in His glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead."?

Tim Gibson

**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).*

PARISH SNAPSHOT

THIS SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER
– **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**
- **11.30AM GILL HALL, ST JAMES POINT**
LONSDALE.

Have you thought about becoming a Parish Council Member?

It would be great if we had a full complement of Parish Councillors and Wardens, with Gender Balance. Once again, nomination forms are available in the St James Church Porch, or please speak to Warden Fiona Lindsay ph.no. 0428 322 208, or any other Parish Councillor if you would like some more information.

As our Annual Parish Meeting is fast approaching it is now time to update our Electoral Roll. If you want to be included on the roll for please complete the form which is available at church on Sundays, or by contacting Jenni in the office. office@queenscliffionsdaleanglican.org

At the Annual Parish Meeting we will be opening the Time Capsule which was sealed in May 1996, to commemorate 50 years of **St James Ladies Guild**. It was to be opened in May 2021, but due to the pandemic this did not happen.



OUR ANNUAL MEETING

...the one you don't want to miss.

on

Working Bee



There will be a Working Bee Next **Saturday, 3rd December** at St Georges Queenscliff to prepare the Church and grounds in readiness for December Sunday Worship. **BYO rakes, gloves, etc. etc**



GOSPEL OF THE DAY Matthew 24.36-44

36 'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 37 For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, 39 and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. 40 Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. 41 Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. 42 Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. 43 But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. 44 Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 27th November 2022 [CLICK HERE](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 4th December 2022 [CLICK HERE](#)

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Prayer of the week: Almighty God,
give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness
and put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life
in which your Son
Jesus Christ came among us in great humility,
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Nations and Peoples: Myanmar, Thailand

The Church

Melbourne Diocese: University of Divinity
(Peter Sherlock, Vice-Chancellor); St Matthias' Richmond
(Yvonne Poon); St Stephen's
Bayswater – Pastoral visit (Bp Paul Barker); Parish of Christ
Church, Lancefield – Pastoral
visit (Bp Kate Prowd); St Silas' & St Anselm Albert Park –
Pastoral Service (Bp Genieve
Blackwell)

National Church: The Diocese of Adelaide (Abp Geoff
Smith, Asst Bps Denise
Ferguson, Timothy Harris, Christopher McLeod; Clergy &
People)

Global: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

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

Mission: The Diocese of Willochra – the clergy and
people
USPG (UK and Ireland)

To pray for mission each day go to: [Anglican Board of Mission](#)

Communion of Saints:

Sanctoral cycle this week: Frances Perry, founder of the
Royal Women's Hospital, Melbourne (d. 1892)

Recently died: Lesley Annie Wright, 29.10.2022, Jan
Williams, 07.10.2022

Anniversaries: Joseph Phillip Roberts 27.11.1966; Dick de
Fégely 27.11.2012; Sue Mathes 27.11.2014; Nancy
Winifred Pettigrove 28.11.2014; Hector Walter Todd
29.11.1974; Marjorie Frances Goodwin 29.11.1984; Claude
Webber 29.11.1996; Eileen Mary Lowther 29.11.2011;
Judith May Colman 30.11.1987; Rosemary Cowell
1.12.2020; Elin Poedenphant Johnston 02.12.2013; Karl
Heinz Schenk 03.12.2020

An asterisk signifies those whose ashes are interred in the St James' Memorial Garden*

A hash sign # signifies those whose ashes are interred in the St George's Memorial Garden

URGENT QUEENSCLIFF RAR NEWS UPDATE

Gofundme Fundraiser for funeral of Geelong Tamil Refugee



Queenscliff
Rural Australians for Refugees

My name is Nithi and I am a Tamil refugee. We lost our dearest friend Samy on the 20th of November 2022 when he died of a heart attack. I am raising funds to enable Samy's body to be returned to his wife and daughter

in Sri Lanka for burial.

Samy, a young Sri Lankan Tamil asylum seeker living in Geelong, died suddenly from a heart attack. He came to Australia 10 years ago to seek refuge from persecution. He had hoped to be granted a protection visa and eventually bring his wife and daughter to safety. But Samy waited 10 years without being granted the visa he needed. He worked hard to support his family back home and tried to keep their hopes alive for a future of peace and safety together. Now those hopes have been lost forever and Samy's grieving wife has expressed her wish to have her husband's body returned to their village in Sri Lanka for burial.

Please donate urgently to this appeal if you are moved to help towards the funeral expenses. This is a family who desperately needs our help. Any excess money raised will be sent to Samy's family in Sri Lanka.

To donate please click on either of these links

https://www.gofundme.com/f/fundraising-for-funeral-of-geelong-tamil-refugee?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1

or

<https://gofund.me/4a6076e8>

Please share this information and links with others.

Thank you from Samy's Tamil friends in Geelong and Samy's family in Sri Lanka, Nithi Kanakarathinam

MUSIC



St Georges Old School Hall will once again be the Venue for William Murray's final concert for 2022. For more info or to book for this talented viola player's concert [CLICK HERE](#)

Another concert you may be interested in is Melbourne's most versatile and in-demand, prog-baroque quartet, Croissants and Whiskey, in their debut performance in Geelong on Saturday 3rd December. For more info or to book [CLICK HERE](#)



MORNING PRAYER on Zoom

9.15AM					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ZOOM LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SIJCRE5WNXRZUxRa0dHVk1vL2w3dz09					

EVENING PRAYER on Zoom

5.00PM					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ZOOM LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SIJCRE5WNXRZUxRa0dHVk1vL2w3dz09					

MEDITATION on Zoom

8.30AM		
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
ZOOM LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81733909876?pwd=WHI4QVVENHRJVFZyWXNLSFJ5cjdrdz09		

CONTEMPLATIVE TUESDAY FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE on Zoom

11.00AM	
Tuesday	
ZOOM LINK: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76563470028?pwd=UzZkMkg2cIJ1THZiYTRGS041bCtwdz09	

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