

## Anglican Parish of Queenscliff- Point Lonsdale: Readings & News

Service at St James' Point Lonsdale, 10.00am

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost, 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2023

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### Readings for the 14<sup>th</sup> week after Pentecost

Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28 (readings are from NRSV)

### Hymns

Introit – Father all Loving 104

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### Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' <sup>4</sup>When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' <sup>5</sup>Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' <sup>6</sup>He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

<sup>7</sup>Then the LORD said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup>and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup>The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup>So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' <sup>11</sup>But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' <sup>12</sup>He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent

you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.'

<sup>13</sup> But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' <sup>14</sup> God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I AM has sent me to you."' <sup>15</sup> God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you":

This is my name for ever,  
and this my title for all generations.

**Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26** (from A Prayer Book for Australia page 332. *Please respond after the colon with the words in bold.*)

1 O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name:

**Tell among the peoples what things he has done.**

2 Sing to him, O sing praises:

**And be telling of all his marvellous works.**

3 Exult in his holy name:

**And let those that seek the Lord be joyful in heart.**

4 Seek the Lord and his strength:

**O seek his face continually.**

5 Call to mind what wonders he has done:

**His marvellous acts, and the judgements of his mouth.**

6 O seed of Abraham his servant:

**O children of Jacob his chosen one.**

23 Then Israel came into Egypt:

**And Jacob dwelt in the land of Ham.**

24 There the Lord made his people fruitful:

**Too numerous for their enemies.**

25 Whose hearts he turned to hate his people:

**And to deal deceitfully with his servants.**

26 Then he sent Moses his servant:

**And Aaron whom he had chosen.**

### **Romans 12:9-21**

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup> love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. <sup>11</sup> Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup> Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' <sup>20</sup> No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' <sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

### **Matthew 16:21-28**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup> And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' <sup>23</sup> But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

<sup>24</sup> Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup> For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup> For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

<sup>27</sup> 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

### **What's on .....**

**TODAY (Sunday) at 2.00pm Parish Councillors** will meet with Bishop Brad Billings in the vicarage.

### **Morning Prayer Wednesdays 10.30am St George's**

You are invited to join Mthr Jo for a 30-minute service of Morning Prayer in the church.

**September worship at St James'** We return to St James this month, so there's some gardening to be done at any time. Weeding the sour grass is a high priority! It's easy enough to do, patch by patch. If you could help for an hour or so on Saturday, 2 September after 9.30am (or any time that suits you), that will be very helpful. The flowering gum on the street side requires some professional pruning of dead wood and the canopy needs to be cut back from the church gutters. **Grounds at St George's** Andrew has achieved a lot in trimming the undergrowth under the cypresses. Some pruning has begun and there is more to do. A skip is being delivered for the week starting 4 September so we can load up and remove the piles of pruning. We understand that this physical labour is too demanding for most parishioners, so if you wish to make a donation to offset the skip and tip fees, that would be greatly appreciated.

**The Voice Community Forum** We had an excellent discussion around the fire in the Old School Hall on Thursday about the forthcoming referendum. Very sadly, on Monday afternoon, Reverend Canon Loughrey had to cancel for personal reasons. However, enter

from Stage Right, Bishop Philip Huggins, who led the forum in his place. Approximately 40 people attended from the local community and surrounding parishes. We all listened and learned from each other about the Uluru Statement from the Heart with great attention. I have a very interesting series of notes from Rev Canon Loughrey, so, if any parishioner would like these, please let me know and I can forward them to you.

**YOGA returns to Gill Hall** Wednesday, 6th September, 7.00pm, to resume yoga classes for all who are interested. Please contact Bruce direct on 0438 763 462 to book your spot.

**SHARING IN MINISTRY TOGETHER** – A workshop to learn about and develop skills for leading the Prayers of the People will be conducted on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am at St George's. Please join us for Morning Prayer at 10.30am prior to the workshop. Experienced prayer leaders and new comers welcome as we share our joys and challenges in offering prayer within the context of worship. This workshop will be facilitated by Mthr Jo.

**Parish Council** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 5.00pm at the Vicarage



Thank you to those who offer hospitality after church each week and a special thank you to members who served our guests at the recent funeral of John Oxbrow.

### **Windfire Lunchtime Concerts at St George's and St James' in October**

The 14th Annual Windfire Music Festival 2023 comes to our Parish for two lunchtime concerts.

The full programme is available at <https://musicatthebasilica.org.au/music-festival/>

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October** 12.30 to 1.00pm St George's: Organ and Bassoon recital on Barney Ellis, bassoon and Frank De Rosso, organ

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October** 12.30 - 1.00pm St James: Beverley Phillips, harpsichord

**8 - 10 September: Footscray Gypsy Orchestra** is performing in Queenscliff over the weekend and they will be based in The Old School Hall for workshops and performances. The theme for the weekend is exploring the music of "The Balkans and Beyond". You can find out more on <https://www.facebook.com/FootscrayGypsyOrchestra/>



**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October: THE FLOWER SHOW** returns to St George's Old School Hall

A small group of local women are inspired to bring back the former St George's Flower Show they remember from their school days. This will be a fun day at St George's with lots of categories to submit your spring flowers, vegetables, and floral arrangements.

**MORNING PRAYER on Zoom**

[www.us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SIJCRE5WNXRZZUxRa0dHVk1vL2w3dz09](http://www.us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SIJCRE5WNXRZZUxRa0dHVk1vL2w3dz09)

**EVENING PRAYER Zoom**

[www.us02web.zoom.us/j/87628164461?pwd=cEF6K1E1Yjh6TEFKa25laG4vUDdMQT09](http://www.us02web.zoom.us/j/87628164461?pwd=cEF6K1E1Yjh6TEFKa25laG4vUDdMQT09)

**MEDITATION on Zoom**

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Notices for What's On can be submitted to [vicar@queenscliffionsdaleanglican.org](mailto:vicar@queenscliffionsdaleanglican.org) no later than Wednesday evening

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