

## Hope For Creation

For our next combined service (30/11) the theme will be Hope For Creation, this fits in nicely with being the first week in Advent too: Hope!!

Hope for Creation Sunday represents churches and groups from around the country reflecting, praying, and taking action to care for creation and respond to climate change. The service will conclude with the planting of a bush in the St Mark's grounds.

Following that we will have our AGM: "O frabjous day! Callooh! Callay!"

**Farewell Gift for Phil:** The Parish Council would like the parish to present Phil with a wallet of notes as part of his retirement gift. While it may seem early, now is a good time to be speaking about this, while Phil is away on long service. Gifts of money can be given to the treasurer or one of the parish council members.

It is also planned to present him with a photo album to visually document his time in the parish. If you have a photo/s of parish events which include Phil, please let Wayne or Alf borrow & copy them for possible inclusion in the album.

## Coming up & Before it's too late!

- **BCA Mission Boxes:** Please return these to Vi Davies **today**.
- **AGM:** The Annual Meeting will be held 30 November after the combined service at St Mark's. Reports for inclusion in the Book of Reports should be given to Alf, Gordon or Wilma by the 26th of October.
- **Choir Practice:** Would like to sing in the choir for the Carols and Lessons service on December 21st? The first practice will be on Sunday 9/11 at St. Marks following morning tea, then each following Sunday. Please phone Cath on 5248 8006 or Bonnie 5250 1333 if you need further information.
- **Parish Christmas Dinner**  
Some advanced notice for this. It will be a spit roast again (Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more). It will be in the St Mark's hall again. 12/12/2014, cost \$19.50, we'll need definite numbers & money by the combined service on the 30/11.



**Police Checks For Op Shop Volunteers:** The Diocese has decided that all Op Shop volunteers must have a police check. These will be distributed shortly to those volunteers who do not already have a Certificate. Please fill them in and return them ASAP. The cost is \$16.50 per person, which the parish will pay. However, if anyone is prepared to pay for their own Check, or make a donation to pay for someone else, that would be greatly appreciated. As there are about 70 volunteers, it will be a costly exercise for the parish.



## Welcome to Worship in our Parish

**26th of October 2014**

### Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

#### SUNDAYS

8:00 AM	St Mark's Leopold	St Paul's Whittington
10:00 AM	St Mark's Leopold	St Barnabas' Newcomb

#### WEDNESDAYS

10:00 AM	St Barnabas' St Mark's	1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays 2nd & 4th Wednesdays
7:00 PM	St Barnabas'	Organisations in our parish

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to enable individuals to recognise and carry out their ministries as Christians. Through this, we strive to become a model company of faithful people who both honour their varied traditions and actively share in building the family of Christ.

<http://www.bellarinegateway.org.au>

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**Prayer List:**  
Max Miles,  
Gwen Phillipson,  
Sally Stewart  
Cassie & family

## Ministry Team

**Reverend John Minotti**  
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## Readings

**Today**  
Deuteronomy 34.1-12  
Psalm 90.1-6, 13-17  
1 Thessalonians 2.1-13  
Matthew 22.34-46

**Next Sunday**  
Revelation 7.9-17  
Psalm 34.1-10, 22  
1 John 3.1-3  
Matthew 5.1-12

These are the readings  
for All Saints Day  
rather than the ones for  
the 21st Sunday

When tested by a religious leader, Jesus summarises the whole of religious observance in two commands: love for God and love for one's neighbour. These are not new commands; in fact, they come from the law of Moses. But this teaching, and the example of Christ's life, sets forth a challenge that lasts a lifetime. Loving God and loving our neighbours takes all the effort we can muster every day—and more.

- Pray that you may grow in love for God and for your neighbour.
- Pray for the Anglican Church of Ceylon, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

## PARISH PRAYER

Lord you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Guide us in our worship and life together: transform us into whatever you would have us do. Help us to be deeply connected with the world around us and strengthen us to proclaim the good news in word and deed in this community, for the glory and for the growth of your kingdom. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

**Anniversaries:** Nuffin this week!  
**Birthdays:** 28/10: Alice Stewart  
29/10: Marjorie Haberman, Jan Long, Heather Rea, Joyce Rowe  
**Today in History:** 1985 The Australian government returns ownership of Uluru to the local Pitjantjatjara Aborigines.

## Thought for the Week:

"Forbidden fruits create many jams "



Welcome to our services this morning. It is hoped you find your time worshipping God enjoyable and enriching. Please stay for a cuppa and fellowship.

**Offertory Envelopes:** are now available in each church. Please take a set. The Parish Council also encourages people to consider direct debit giving. The advantages were outlined in the pew sheet three weeks ago. If you have any questions contact the Treasurer, Gordon Dendle.

## Special Prayer Points:

1. Please pray for all students who are preparing to sit their VCE exams — that they will have peace and confidence; that they will achieve the results they deserve; that their parents will help them cope with the stressful time.
2. Pray also for those sitting tertiary education exams — university and TAFE courses.
3. Pray for all those standing for State Parliament in the coming elections — that they will be honest in all they say and do; that they will be motivated by a genuine desire to service the people of Victoria; and that a significant number of committed Christians will be elected.
4. Please pray that the people chosen by God to take on special responsibilities during the coming church year, will respond to that call — as parish councillors, Wardens, members of the Incumbency Committee, members of Heaven Cent committee, and especially a secretary for that committee.
5. Prayerfully consider if God is calling you to one of these ministries.
6. Prayerfully consider if there are others in the parish you strongly believe could take on these roles, and pray that God will give you the courage to ask them.



**Request For Those Leading Sunday Intercessory Prayers:** In your prayers, would you please include those whose names are listed in the pew sheet as needing healing.

**Please pray for the healing of body, mind and spirit of:** Max Miles, Gwen Philipson, Sally Stewart and Cassie & family. If you have any more names, please let the pew sheet editor know **but only after** getting permission from the person involved.

**Trivia Quiz:** What was Saul looking for when Samuel first met him?  
Who was taller King Saul or King David?  
First Prize: **64!**

**Last week:** Paul was a tent-maker and was born in modern day Turkey.