

Bellarine Gateway

ANGLICAN PARISH



Shining Christ's Light on the Peninsula

Twenty Third of September 2018
18th Sunday after Pentecost — Ordinary Sunday 25

Sunday

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

Next Week Only

30 September 2018 — 5th Sunday Combined Service
St Barnabas' 9.30 AM

Monday - Saturday

9:00 AM	St Barnabas'	Morning Prayer
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Wednesday

10:00 AM	St Barnabas'	1st & 3rd Wednesdays
	St Mark's	2nd & 4th Wednesdays
	St Paul's	5th Wednesday.

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.

<https://www.bgap.church/>

BGAP: A community that loves God and everyone else.

Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.

Mark 9.35

Ministry Team

Vicar: Reverend Elizabeth Breakey	5250 1401 0404 165 096	vicar@bgap.church
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Readings

Today

Proverbs 31.10-31

Psalms 1

James 3.1-12

Mark 9.30-37

Next Sunday

Numbers 11.4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Psalms 124

James 5.12-20

Mark 9.38-50

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 be. 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.**

Prayer List

Please pray for the healing of body, mind, and spirit of the following people who are on our hearts: Don, Matthew R, Trudy, Joel, Colin, Ray & Harrison family; Pat, Val & John, Des M, Ann, Jack & Ria Humphrey, Barbara S, Pam, Barb, Cassie & family.

(We would like to keep this list current so we need to know how your loved ones are faring. Please let us know. If you have any names, please let the editor know but only after obtaining permission from the person involved.)

Birthdaze

Oops, from last week: Gordon Dendle 17/9, Margaret Palmer 21/9

Anonymous Donations

BSB: 703 122

Ac. No: 0500 4734



Welcome to our services this morning. We trust you will find your time worshipping God enjoyable and enriching. Please stay for a cuppa and fellowship.

Combined Service

Our next combined service is next week. It's at St Barnabas', 30th September at 9.30, ***there will be no other services on that day.***

Bloke's Breakky

Saturday October 6th at Leopold Uniting Church @ 7.30 am.
Speaker: A Local Leopold Legend. Subject: History of Leopold.
Donation \$3, all welcome. Contact Gordon 5250 1333.

Bush Church Aid boxes

Last year at around this time we put this notice in, I'm not certain what the dates are for this year (or even if we still have BCA boxes) but here goes...

Please return all boxes by Sunday 14th October, so that the money can be blessed on Sunday 21st October.

Also please correct me, if I've got the date wrong!!

Annual Reports

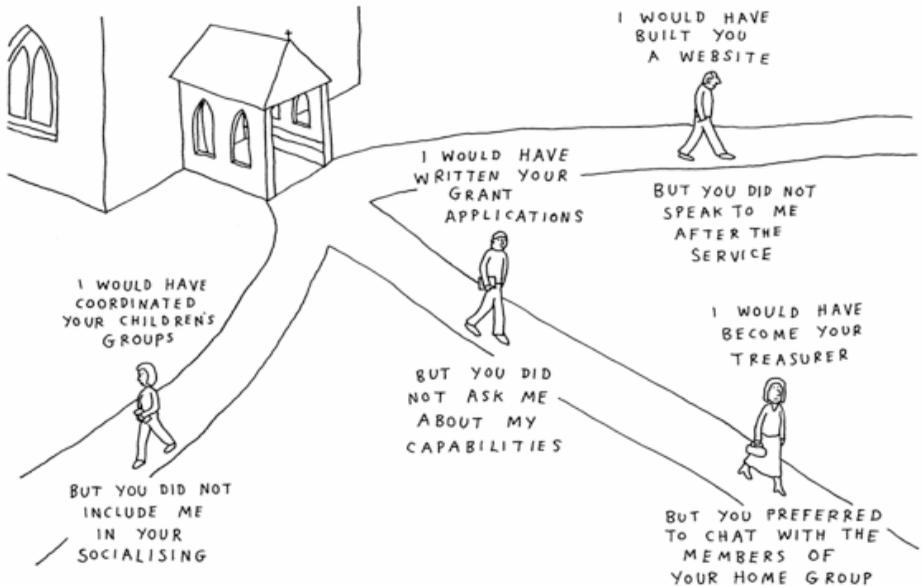
Parishioners are reminded that the end of the church's year is fast approaching and those responsible for writing reports should begin preparation.

Fashion Parade

A beautiful quilt has been made ,and donated by, Carleen Hutchings to raffle for our Fashion Show, and will be drawn on the night. Raffle books will be available next week. Tickets will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5!

St Barnabas' Friday 2nd Nov at 7pm.

UNTAPPED TALENT



I have been thinking this week about Leadership, and how we encourage people to consider taking a step into leadership in this parish.

I am sure that you care about this parish, and its three churches, even if, (and let's be honest here) you might care for one more than the other two. It is quickly coming to that time of year again when we need to hand out nomination forms, and ask you to consider how you might best serve this parish and demonstrate your love for God in service.

One thing is for certain, the parish cannot function if we cannot form a parish council. What happens then? Do we just close? Is that really your desire?

I continue to pray for a Treasurer to be raised up from among us, I can find support for the day to day book keeping and bill paying, but I need a Treasurer who can present the finances on behalf of the Wardens, who are actually responsible for the good financial management of this parish.

This next year, I am looking for one, or possibly two, wardens to catch the baton that our current wardens are ready to pass on. Their ministry of cheerful and practical help within the parish – with the help of others – has resulted in a beautifully refurbished St Barnabas hall and a new sound system at St Marks, plus many smaller fixes.

Could it be that you are hiding an untapped talent, that would be a blessing to us all? Please talk to your Parish Councillors, or the Wardens, or me, Rev'd Elizabeth. The Parish needs your help!

The Lord be with you and those for whom you pray.

Elizabeth

Parish Council Report

20/9/2018

Resignation

Due to relocation, Susan Clifford has had to resign from the Parish, Parish Council, Op Shop Committee and Heaven Cent Op Shop. The Parish Council recognise and thank her for previous interest in the parish and wish her and her family well.

Anonymous Donation Account

Gordon Dendle confirmed that a Fund Raising general purpose account has been created, and this account will be provided on the pew sheet etc.

Account Name BGAP Donation Account
BSB 703 122
Account Number 0500 4734

Note that BGAP is not registered as a tax deductible charity.

Treasurer's Report

Income	\$14,683.89
Expenses	\$15,297.86
Operating Loss	\$-613.97
Total Equity	\$165,963.19

Note there is an unknown liability for E. Breakey stipend sacrifice

Wardens

Maintenance continues at St Barnabas.

The external work near the asbestos roofing was completed in accordance with strict asbestos handling rules.

The Wardens have stressed the need to complete the internal work on the St B' toilets before the Fashion Show on 2 Nov.

Op Shops:

Renee Paul reported that three new Work for the Dole participants are now volunteering at the op shop with at least one other new volunteer adding to the team.

Elizabeth has completed the new induction handbook and volunteer details form to be used for new volunteers.

Testing and Tagging has been completed for Heaven Cent, but is still outstanding for Pearly Gates.

Incumbency

The Vicar is in the process of applying for a new tenure as Incumbent of this parish.

Dunny Drive

The Parish Council acknowledges and thanks all those who have donated to the Dunny Appeal. The appeal has raised \$1051.30 and will end next Sunday 30/09. There was an additional anonymous donation of \$3,000 but it was not specifically marked for the Dunny drive.

Compliance requirements

Rev Elizabeth has completed 32 Police Checks using the online Crim Check Portal and also assisted 4 parishioners without easy access to a PC to apply for their Working with Children card. The police checks is a costly process at \$16 /check, but it has had an unanticipated bonus of helping the vicar pastorally connect with op shop (non church) volunteers.

Access to St Barnabas

The Parish Council has agreed to continue exercising our theology of hospitality by leaving the wooden hall/church partition door unlocked in St Barnabas. It is recognised that extra care may have to be taken with church items of value to the parishioners.

Fashion Parade / Show 2 November 2018.

Plans are progressing well for the Fashion Show

2019 Parish Council

The Parish council urged the parishioners to consider joining Parish Council to represent their worship centre and assist caring for our parish. Without these precious volunteers, the parish will cease to function. Likewise the Parish Council asks that you pray for a Treasurer for 2019 There are now two casual vacancies on Parish Council.

Plans for the end of the Parish year were discussed.

The Parish council was grateful for other parishioners willing to lend a hand to collate the statistics on parish services required for the Annual Report.

Reports will be called for in the next couple of weeks.

Next Meeting:

Third Thursday, 18/10/2018, 10am to 11.30am St. Barnabas