

Bellarine Gateway

ANGLICAN PARISH



Shining Christ's Light on the Peninsula

Fourteenth of October 2018

21st Sunday after Pentecost — Ordinary Sunday 28

Sunday

8:00 AM

St Mark's Leopold

St Paul's Whittington

10:00 AM

St Mark's Leopold

St Barnabas' Newcomb

Monday - Tuesday

9:00 AM

St Barnabas'

Note reduced services until the 19th of November

Morning Prayer

Wednesday

10:00 AM

St Barnabas'

St Mark's

St Paul's

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

2nd & 4th Wednesdays

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.

*Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God... Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne
of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

Hebrews 4:14,16 ESV

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Readings

Today

Job 23.1–9, 16–17

Psalms 22.1–15

Hebrews 4.12–16

Mark 10.17–31

Next Sunday

Job 38.1–7, (34–41)

Psalms 104.1–10, 26

Hebrews 5.1–10

Mark 10.(32–34) 35–45

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 please let us know of any changes. Always obtain permission from the person(s) involved.)

Anglican Overseas Aid Appeal to Assist Indonesia

Donations will help bring immediate relief to the people suffering from this disaster, providing health services, food and clean water, items like blankets and tarpaulins to make sure that people's needs are met.

During October please consider a retiring offering for this appeal.

Alternatively you can donate directly at the website:

<https://anglicanoverseasaid.org.au/indonesia-tsunami/>

Or donate via our anonymous donation account:

BSB: 703 122 Account No: 0500 4734 (please mark as **Indonesia**)



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.

Notices

Parish Council

Please see the attached PC report.

Bush Church Aid boxes

Please return all boxes today, so that the money can be blessed next week.

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.

15 October: Treasurer's report and books to G. Dendle for auditing

21 October: all reports and treasurer's statements to D. Kanen for preparation of books of reports.

11 November: the book of reports released

Fashion Parade

Fashion Show tickets are now available from Bonnie Dendle, Margaret Dickson or Marlene Lacey — Adults \$15. Children free.

If anyone can help with some supper or a raffle prize on the night, it would be very much appreciated.

St Barnabas' Friday 2nd Nov at 7pm.

Christ the King Combined Service and AGM

St Mark's 25/11/2018

The Annual General Meeting will follow our next combined service (a **service** we need to survive?) at St Mark's at 9:30 (11ish for the meeting).

Please prayerfully consider servicing (there's that word again, the parish needs your service to survive) as a parish councillor, or warden next year.

If anyone understands MYOB, we desperately need a new treasurer.



The Vicar's Vibe

(adapted from this week's Spirituality in Conflict Blog)

Today in the Gospel, we met a man who is wealthy and can't see that what he lacks to become closer to God is the chance to form positive relations with the disadvantaged in society by giving away his wealth.

We aren't immune to this problem, by any means. The theologian and activist Ched Myers challenges us to reflect on how easily we become 'possessed by our possessions.' This is a form of addiction from which we need to recover. You might not have considered it before, but one of the distinguishing characteristics of wealth is the opportunity it provides us to make decisions about our lives and those of our loved ones. We take those choices for granted, but we are in the minority of people in the world get to make the following choices.

Ched Myers urges us to reflect on some of those options in the context of our own lives.....

where I will live?	where I will eat today?
how I will earn a living?	where I will sleep tonight?
what I will wear today?	whether I will own a car?
whether I will eat today?	where I will go on holiday?
what to do with my inheritance?	
whether I will heat or cool my home?	
whether I will get medicines which have been prescribed?	
how I will make my home more comfortable or beautiful?	

Please spend some time reflecting on your response to these questions, and on the fact that for the vast majority of people in the world these are not choices they can make. Is there a way you can live more ethically, sustainable and fairly in the world this week? If yes, what will you do?

A Prayer for Rich Westerners – that's us!

God of all power and resource
forgive me for being blind to my wealth
and for living ignorant of my sense of entitlement.
Create in me a purer heart, one stirred to action by grace and gift
rather than privilege and merit.
Heal me of my addiction
to power and possessions,
and strengthen me to live up to
a lifestyle that is ethical, sustainable and fair.
A life which brings me treasure in the Kingdom.
Amen

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

Elizabeth