

Thirtieth of September 2018 19th Sunday after Pentecost — Ordinary Sunday 26

Sunday

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

Monday - TuesdayNote reduced service for the next six weeks.
9:00 AM
St Barnabas'
Morning Prayer

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.

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BGAP: A community that loves God and everyone else.

"Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again?

Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Mark 9.50 ESV

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Readings

Today	Next Sunday
Numbers 11.4-6, 10-16, 24-29	Job 1.1; 2.1–10
Psalm 124	Psalm 26
James 5.12–20	Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12
Mark 9.38–50	Mark 10.2–16

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, <u>Jack</u> & 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.)

Wedding Anniversary

Bob & Phyllis Smith 2/10



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

Blessing of the Animals

Now!! Get out of your pew and head to All Saints' Newtown Parish Hall 113 Noble Street, Newtown. There's still time it starts at 10AM.

All pets are welcome to come and be blessed. A BBQ lunch will follow so please BYO BBQ food and drinks. Salads, tea & coffee provided.

You don't actually need to leave if you don't want to!! Sorry about the late notice, I only just found out.

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.

The Vicar's Vibe Going Onwards

As we prepare for the week ahead and to go onwards to new discoveries and new challenges let us ask for God's blessing.

May God bless us all with the humility and humour to be good travelling companions.

May God bless us with courage and creativity In our journeying.

In the name of God who takes the risk of creation, of Jesus who journeyed to Calvary and beyond, and the Spirit who kindles our hope and strength, let us go in peace and be witnesses of renewed community women and men in the church. Amen.

Frances Copsey, "A Book of Blessings"

The readings this week are all about community, which seem very apt for a fifth Sunday Combined Service. It is a joy to serve this community, with five different congregations with different characteristics and two op shops to support. I enjoy leading worship on Sundays, planning it during the week, doing the admin, ensuring that the parish follows the guidance of the Bishops and diocese, as well as complies with the law of the land. In between, I support the wardens in their role of caring for the fabric of the parish. I must be honest there are some days when it is all too much, especially during school holidays with three children all going in different directions. That's when I can relate to Moses talking to God about how he is barely coping. I bet you have days like that too in your own life, for we each have our own individual burdens and busyness. Those are the days to pray to God for help, support or even extra strength. I have three fantastic wardens who really help me where they can, and I am so grateful to them. Where do you find support, where did God surprise you in supplying help when you needed it?

Part of my personal challenge is letting go, of trusting someone else with some of my own "To Do" list. For if I don't, then I have no one to blame but myself for feeling under the pump. What do you have to do to be a good travelling companion on life's journey?

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

Elizabeth