



The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

A vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community
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Weekly News and Pew Sheet

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

22ND MARCH 2020

WORSHIP THEME: MOTHERING SUNDAY & VESTRY MEETING

PARISH PRIEST'S MESSAGE

After this Sunday, from Monday 23rd March, our normal public worship will cease until further notice. Small group gatherings in the parish are still able to be held for the time being and these might be existing groups or new opportunities to gather and pray. This weekly news sheet will replace our printed pew sheet and will be emailed each Friday to keep you up to date.

This Sunday's 9:30am worship and vestry meeting will still be held. All pews have been sanitised today and all prayerbooks and hymnbooks removed. We ask those attending worship spread throughout the church as per current suggestion of 1.5 metre separation. People aged over 70 or who are immunocompromised are recommended to stay away from gatherings. For those unable to attend we will post the service on the parish Facebook page later in the day. Anyone who needs assistant to set up their phone or iPad to access facebook or email, please contact Michele .

Please pray for the clergy team of myself, Michele and Margaret and also Hewina in the office as we seek to adapt to the seemingly endless stream of requirements that are coming our way. Please continue to pray for each other and for our world.

Prayer unites us. Prayer strengthens us. Prayer gives us hope.

We will be in touch via this pew sheet next week with further suggestions of how we can continue to be church together in these testing times.

Christ's peace be with you. Andrew.

This Sunday's Service (22nd March) is a combined parish service commencing at 9:30am and will be followed by our Annual Vestry Meeting. Sidespersons are asked to count people at the door as they come in and we will have to shut the doors in the unlikely event that we exceed the current indoor limit of 100 people.

WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR SUNDAY 22nd MARCH

Reflection on Mother's Day

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally a day to relax the Lenten fasts and disciplines. Posies of flowers are given, simnel cake eaten and parish picnics are all traditional features of this day. Sadly we cannot provide simnel cake this year due to health advice, but we can certainly pray for our mothers and give thanks for their great gift to us. We mourn mothers who are no longer with us and pray for mothers in need. We pray for mother church at this time, that the church will be able to provide support and prayer for people in a time of great need and concern.



A prayer for Lent

Almighty and ever living God, you invite us deeper into your world, your people, your Lent. May this time be one of outward focus; seeking you in those we often ignore. Help us live a Lent focused on freedom, generosity, and encounter. Give us hearts hungry to serve you and those who need what we have to give. Amen.

A Topical Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us to love our neighbour, and to care for those in need as if we were caring for you. In this time of anxiety, give us strength to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick, and to assure the isolated of our love, and your love, for your name's sake. Amen.

Scripture Sentence for the Day

As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. **Isaiah 66:13**

Prayer of the Day

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

A Reading from the Letter to the Colossians

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Hear the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Responsorial Psalm 131

Response:

Like a child rests in its mother's arms, so will I rest in you.

Like a child rest's in its mother's arms, so will I rest in you.



v 1. My God I am not proud. I do not look for things to great.

v 2. My God, I trust in you. You care for me, you give me peace.

v 3. O Israel trust in God, now and always trust in God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:33-35

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**'whoever does the will of my Father in heaven
is my brother and sister and mother.' (Matt 12:50)**

Alleluia

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week: 29th March 2020 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Theme: Liberating Words

Ezekiel 37:1-11a, 14

Psalms 130

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

Diary dates (please note cancellations)

This week:

Sunday 22nd March

5pm Ukulele church (*worship only no meal*)

Tuesday 24th March

7.30pm GALS—**cancelled this month**

Wednesday 25th March

1:30pm **Mother's Union is cancelled this month.**

2:30pm Lent Study

7pm OASIS—**Cancelled this month**

Thursday 26th March

10am Eucharist – **will not be held. The office is open so anyone who turns up we will pray with and chat to.**

Sunday 29th March

7:45, 8:45 and 10am services are cancelled

5pm Evensong for 100th anniversary of founding of St. Michael's Chapel—**POSTPONED until November.**



PARISH NOTICES

SMALL GROUPS IN THE PARISH

Many small groups in the parish have cancelled this month's meeting due to uncertainties around meeting and catering. We hope that these groups will be able to meet in the future once we have adapted to current requirements. Each group can make their own decision about this. Please continue to be in touch with each other.

UKULELE CHURCH – 22nd March 5pm

Ukulele Church continues tonight as community singing has been a very important therapeutic activity in other places in the world. However we will not be having a shared meal afterwards.

LENTEN STUDY FOR 2020 - WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

Two sessions to go. These are continuing to meet. **Meeting Wednesday afternoons** (at 2:30pm) or **Thursday evenings** (7pm). Booklets cost \$5. Please contact Michele if you would like to participate from home via a phone or computer link.

CENTENARY OF ST MICHAEL'S CHAPEL

Postponed until November. The celebration of the centenary of founding on 29th March is **cancelled**. Instead we hope to celebrate the centenary of the dedication of the chapel which falls at the end of November. Stay tuned for details as we near that date.

OASIS—GROUP FOR YOUNGER WOMEN

Please note this month's meeting has been cancelled.

BCA BOXES

It is time for your BCA Boxes to be returned to Joyleen Brougham or Pat Beggs. Thank you for your donation to BCA.

MOTHERS' UNION: CANCELLED THIS MONTH

The meeting on Wednesday 25th March is cancelled due to the restrictions in place

10AM MUSIC

Thank you to our parish organists and singers.

Sunday 22nd Tony Whitehill and choir (9:30am service—no practice beforehand)

CVS VISITORS

Please note that CVS visitors have been asked to no longer visit in person, but you are encouraged to make contact through phone, email, postcards and sms. All of these can be counted as “visits”. The coordinating auspice can make stamps available to assist with postage if needed. Speak to Hewina in the office for details.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL MEETING Christmas Tree Festival Meeting Community Centre **7:30pm Tuesday 31/3/2020** Contact Blake McInnes 0477703866 Email stpetersctfestival@gmail.com

COLLECTION OF BOTTLE TOPS

PLEASE NOTE the collection for Lids4Kids has been temporarily suspended. People can still collect lids at home but will be asked to keep them there longer in case of contamination. We will instruct further on this in due course.

COLLECTION OF CANS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please note, we have enough. Many thanks to all who helped. No more are needed now.

COVID-19 PROVISIONS

This week the diocese posted very helpful information on its website. You can find this at <https://adelaideanglicans.com/news/coronavirus-advice> Some of the highlights from this were emailed to parishioners during the week.

Keeping in touch—as we can no longer produce pew sheets, electronic communication becomes our best way forward. To those parishioners who do not have computers or email, but DO have mobile phones, feel free to ask Michele or Andrew (or a family member) for advice about setting up a free email account so that you can access emails direct to your phone. This will make communication much easier.

Parish Continuity Plan—This Sunday (22nd) will be the last Sunday morning for public worship until further notice. Small group gatherings can still take place, and we will be putting planning in place to see how we can continue to be church via electronic means and through small group gatherings. Please see next week's pew sheet for further details on this.

CALL TO PRAYER

Archbishop Geoff has called on church communities to pause for prayer at **8am every Friday from now until at least Pentecost**. This pause can be for just a few minutes to pray for:

- an end to the pandemic - healing for people suffering from the illness - those researching a vaccine
- our political and community leaders as they try to provide - wise leadership
- our health workers as they are at the front line

A suitable prayer could be...

*Almighty and All-loving God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
We pray to you through Christ the Healer
for those who suffer from the Coronavirus Covid-19
in Australia and across the world.
We pray too for all who reach out to those who mourn the loss
of each and every person who has died as a result of contracting the disease.
Give wisdom to policymakers,
skill to healthcare professionals and researchers,
comfort to everyone in distress
and a sense of calm to us all in these days of uncertainty and distress.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord
who showed compassion to the outcast,
acceptance to the rejected
and love to those to whom no love was shown. Amen.*

- Archbishop Michael Jackson, Dublin & Glendalough



Kingsley Oakley, Kel Pittman, Rosalie & Phil Brown, Tim Went, Nicole Cain, Pat Donnelly, Dot, Melanie Lyons, Daniel Roach, Clare, Jeremy Johnson, Nicky Heal, Dawn, Sheryl Anne Cox, Tony Tamblyn, Helen Williams.



Can we help? Contact Prayer People through:
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