

## The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

A vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community growing in faith and love

## Weekly News and Pew Sheet

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY 2020 WORSHIP THEME: JESUS THE GOOD SHEPHERD

## **Parish Priest's Message**

Dear Friends,

The fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally celebrated as Good Shepherd Sunday. This agrarian image for Jesus endures as one of the most popular despite most of us now living in urban situations. Parishioners who attend St Peter's will be familiar with the stained glass window (see right) which is located just over the votive candle stand. Whilst some might find the style of this window a little old fashioned, it also conveys a gentleness, peacefulness and a caring image which we can reflect upon.

The twenty-third psalm continues to be one of the most popular passages from the scripture and is featured in our service today. Interestingly I am currently reading a World War 2 biography and I noted during the week, the writer commenting on the great comfort he found in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm as his troop ship journeyed to Iwo Jima. He wrote: "A pocket-sized copy of the New Testament was also well read. When I had it in my possession, I always turned to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm...I found a large degree of comfort in its simple, dignified words." (Chuck Tatum, "Red Blood, Black Sand").



Perhaps you might like to spend some time reading through the

23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm. Think about the times you have experienced its comfort in the past and reflect on how its 'simple, dignified words' speak to you in the current moment.

Grace and peace to you all.

Andrew

## WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR THE 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### Sentence

'I am the good shepherd,' says the Lord. 'The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

#### Prayer of the day

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep: send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

#### **First Reading**

#### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Many were baptised and were added to the community. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Psalm 23** (APBA p.243)

1 The Lord is my shepherd:

therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He will make me lie down in green pastures:

and lead me beside still waters.

3 He will refresh my soul:

and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.

- 5 You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me: you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life:

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.



Thanks be to God.

#### Acts 2:42-47

John 10.11

#### 1 Peter 2:19-25

#### A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

Brothers and sisters: it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.'

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!



# GospelJohn 10:1-11➡ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to JohnGlory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said to the pharisees: 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the

gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep'

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.** 

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Next Week: 26th April 2020 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Theme: Living Stones

Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 17-18 1 Peter 2:11-25 John 14:1-14

## **Diary Dates**

#### This week on Facebook: Services from 8am

3<sup>rd</sup> May – Fourth Sunday of Easter (Service and Kid's talk) 6<sup>th</sup> May – Midweek bible reflection (Wednesday 12noon) 10<sup>th</sup> May – Fifth Sunday of Easter (Service and Kid's talk)



### **PARISH NOTICES**

#### SUNDAY KIDS@HOME

Thank you for all the positive comments about our weekly Sunday kids' talk on Facebook. Term 2 of school started this week which mean so does Sunday Kids, but re-badged as SundayKids@home. The Sunday activity is already on the website and the kids talk on Sunday will relate to this activity. You can find the activity at the following link <u>http://www.glenelganglican.org.au/?p=1319</u> or simply go to glenelganglican.org.au and find the Sunday kids page under 'our community'.

#### MIDWEEK BIBLE REFLECTION WITH ANDREW – ST PAUL'S LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS

Last week we commenced the first of four midweek bible reflections on St Paul's Letter to the Philippians. If you missed it you can catch up with it on Facebook. This week we will reflect on chapter 2. Why Philippians? It was written by Paul whilst he was isolated in prison but despite this it is one of his most joyful pieces of writing and so it has much to say to us at this time. Why not spend ten minutes having a listen and feel free to post comments or raise questions.

#### **NEW PLANNED GIVING RECORDER FOR THE PARISH**

I am very grateful to **Catherine Beer** who has accepted the appointment of Parish Council to be the our Planned Giving Programme (PGP) Recorder. We will give Catherine a few weeks to get used to the task and then give you her contact details in case you have any questions regarding your giving. A big thank you to **Judy Blieschke** who temporarily stood into the recorder role to keep it up to date.

#### PARISH COLOURING-IN MURAL PROJECT

Recently we have seen an increase in popularity for adults to do colouring-in for relaxation. You may have seen on Facebook that Rev. Michele is encouraging people to get involved in a community colouring-in mural. Just call into the church and collect your A3 piece and soon we will be able to create a beautiful colourful mural for our Community Centre window. Contact Michele if you need more info.

#### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERMONS

Now available on the parish website or some printed copies available from the office.

#### **UPDATE FROM ABM**

This parish is always a good supporter of the Anglican Board of Mission and thank you to all those who made contributions to the Lenten Appeal. You can catch up with the latest update from ABM missioner, Rev'd Steve Daughtry which was sent out this week to share with parishes at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jx9ZLdiQ0CU&feature=youtu.be&bblinkid=218060673&bbemailid=2 1095301&bbejrid=1464505264

#### AN ONLINE EVENING WITH BISHOP JEFF DRIVER – 14<sup>th</sup> May

During this ONLINE event on May 14 starting at 730PM, Bishop Jeffrey Driver will explain his challenging role in the struggling **Newton Theological College in Papua New Guinea**. Hosted by Rev'd Stephen Daughtry, the talk will be followed by a live Q&A with an opportunity for participants to put forward their questions. All are welcome to register for this free online event <u>https://bishopdriver.eventbrite.com.au</u>

#### PRAYER FOR LOCAL STATE SCHOOL CHAPLAINS

I received a letter during the week asking for continued prayer for our local state school chaplains (PCW's). The chaplains for this South Western Region they are : Brighton Primary (Sam Chan); Clovelly Park Primary (Wendy Cove); Darlington Primary (Debra Smith); Glenelg Primary & Seacliff Primary (Alison Reidy); Hamilton Secondary College (David Chikwuba); Marion Primary (Lisa Colton); Paringa Park Primary (Anita Trainor); St Leonards Primary (Karen Thorogood); Warradale Primary (Currently looking for a chaplain). Our parish make a donation to their support every year and our clergy keep in touch especially with Karen Thorogood and Alison Reidy through the local ministers group.

#### FURTHER CVS AND AGED CARE FACILITY UPDATE

**Do you visit aged care facilities?** – From May 1<sup>st</sup> you will need to have proof of a current flu vaccination. If you are getting a flu shot make sure you get a printed record of this. If you are a CVS Volunteer you may be able to get reimbursement for the cost of the Flu shot (that is the prescription cost not the cost of the visit to a GP) - contact Hewina for reimbursement.

For CVS visitors, thank you for all you are doing to keep in touch with your residents. Some aged care facilities may start to re-open soon for visitors. Hours may be limited and visits may have to be booked. This could vary from facility to facility. In the meantime continuing contact via phone, letter or electronical means is wonderful.

Hewina would love to hear from other parishioners prepared to be in phone contact with either Aged Care residents OR individuals in private homes who receive care packages. We are awaiting confirmation that private residents on care packages can now be included in our CVS scheme and this might be a way to grow our CVS ministry during this time. Speak to Hewina in the office to discuss this further.

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Prayer requests can still be rung through to the parish office or emailed and we can add the person to the prayer list in the pew sheet. Private prayers can also be offered through contacting the Parish Prayer People. If there is



anyone on our prayer list who can come off it for the time being, please let us know.



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

#### **CALL TO PRAYER**

Diocesen prayer time 8am every Friday from now until at least Pentecost.

Together we join in prayer 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. by Archbishop Michael Jackson, Dublin & Glendalough

#### PLANNED GIVING AND PARISH FINANCES

Thank you to all those parishioners are keeping up with planned giving. Your support for our parish community is inspiring. Please know too that if you are experiencing extreme hardship it is understood that you may not be able to maintain your current level of giving. Please keep in touch, and **remember that the parish emergency food ministry is also available for parishioners in times of need.** 

Regular planned giving can be directed to **Parish of Glenelg (AFSA) BSB 705-777 Account Number 00041211** (please use your surname and initial SMITHJ PGP). One off/occasional donations that are not part of regular PGP can be made to **Anglican Parish of Glenelg BSB 705-077 Account No.00000033** 

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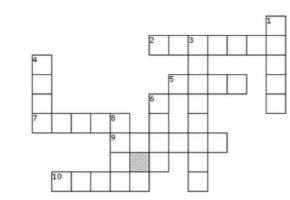
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## The Lord Is My Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. Psalm 23:1



#### ACROSS

- An area with grass or other vegetation for sheep or cattle to graze on
- 5. To be frightened of something
- 7. A building or dwelling place for a family
- 9. An area of low land between mountains or hills
- 10. An article of furniture upon which we eat our meals

#### DOWN

- 1. To show kindness, compassion, and forgiveness
- 3. One who herds, guards, and tends sheep
- 4. The route along which something travels
- 6. To go or travel on foot
- 8. The quality of being morally bad or wrong; wicked

