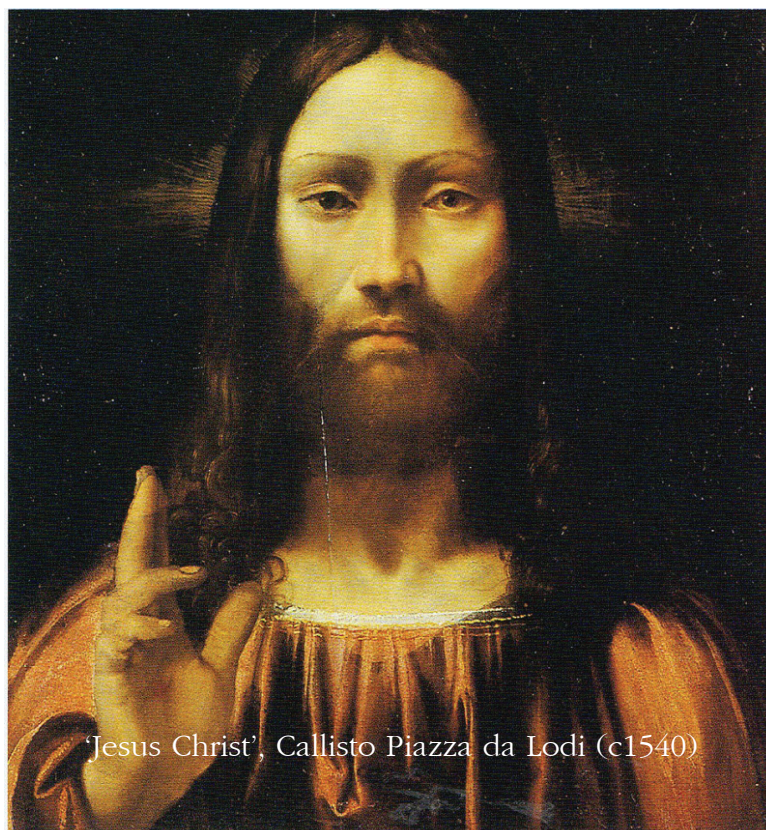


Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1846



'Jesus Christ' Callisto Piazza da Lodi (c1540)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10TH MAY 2020

Everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

VICAR'S MUSINGS

“And when I was thirty and a half years old, God sent me a bodily sickness in which I lay for three days and three nights; and on the fourth night I received all the rites of Holy Church, and did not expect to live until day”

Julian of Norwich, *A Revelation of Love* (Short Text, Ch. 2)

Our Church has been here before ... and survived. If you've not yet seen this week's "Thought for the Day" posted by our Klingner Scholar, Xeverie Swee, and also Fr Philip's latest offering, do take a look on the St Peter's YouTube channel. They are both very thoughtful and prayerful reflections on the situation we all find ourselves in as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Xeverie takes a broad-brushstroke look at examples from history of previous pandemics, and how the church responded. In a similar vein, Fr Philip drills down on the medieval pandemic we know as the Black Death, and in particular the response of one English woman: Julian of Norwich.

While gravely ill, Julian had a series of visions or "revelations" of Christ on the Cross. In the final chapter of her book Julian reflects on the meaning of her mystical experience (Long Text, Ch 86): "I desired many times to know in what was our Lord's meaning. And fifteen years after and more I was answered in spiritual understanding, and it was said: ... know it well, love was his meaning. Who reveals it to you? Love. What did he reveal to you? Love. Why did he reveal it to you? For love." The theology that Julian wrote following her near-death experience is profound. Thomas Merton writes, of her: "I think that Julian of Norwich is with Newman the greatest English theologian."

Julian wrote her theology literally walled into a tiny room, choosing the life-long calling of an anchoress. It was a fairly extreme life-style choice, but these days it suddenly makes a lot more sense. There was no hope of a Black-Death vaccine, so perhaps life-long isolation in a prayer cell wasn't such a crazy idea. There was no television or computer screen, but Julian's cell had three windows to the outside world: one through which she could watch the daily Mass and Offices (medieval YouTube) one onto the street (dare I say it ... medieval Facebook) and one for her bodily needs (sorry, I can't resist ... medieval UberEats).

Quite what will come out of this pandemic era for the Church I don't know, but if past experience is anything to go by, I am confident that God's Spirit is very much at work among us. And as Julian famously wrote: "all shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well."

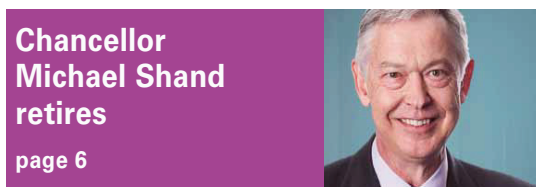
THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN NOW ONLINE

The May edition of “The Melbourne Anglican” (TMA) is now available at <http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma> in various formats for reading online and printing.

On page 4 this month “Around Melbourne” there is an article on the St Peter’s Social Enterprise “Heaven at The Hill” meal distribution program.



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‘Transformative’ gift from Melbourne Anglicans for fire recovery

DONORS TO the Melbourne Anglican Foundation have raised tens of thousands of dollars for emergency relief funds in the Anglican Dioceses of Gippsland and Wangaratta after the devastating summer fire season.

“The gift of the Melbourne Anglican Foundation and its supporters has been transformative in shaping our ministry to bushfire-ravaged east Gippsland,” said Bishop of Gippsland Richard Treloar. “It enables us to provide sustained and widespread relief directly to affected households and businesses, working with local parishes to help individuals and their communities rebuild lives and hope.

“The Diocese is greatly moved

by this expression of solidarity from within the Province of Victoria, amid many other donations and acts of human kindness that have been received. Thank you generous Melbournians!”

The fires in the Diocese of Wangaratta devastated small communities in the Corryong and the Alpine regions.

“These areas were heavily impacted economically as both [regions] depend on tourists for economic survival,” Bishop of Wangaratta Clarence Bester said.

“We would like to express our thanks to all donors who gave to the Melbourne Anglican Foundation.”

Read full story on page 10.



Dr Richard Treloar, Bishop of Gippsland, with the Revd Jude Benton from the Croajingolong Parish, at fire-affected Croajingolong National Park in East Gippsland in mid-January.

SA’s Archbishop Smith the new Primate

by Mark Brolly

A RCHBISHOP GEOFFREY Smith of Adelaide



COVID-19: Have a ‘big vision’, says Archbishop Freier

by Stephen Cauchi

ARCHBISHOP PHILIP Freier has urged Anglicans to have a “big vision” to

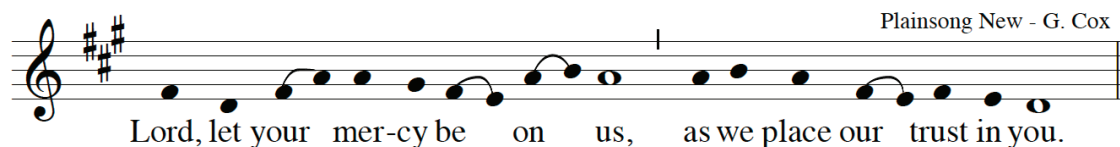
“We need to be not just looking at the present day troubles and tribulations but have a strong vision for the future – how ministry is

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

First Reading: Acts 6.1-7

Now during those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. Therefore, friends, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word." What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a convert of Antioch. They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

Psalm : 33.1-2, 4-5, 18-19



Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

Praise befits the upright.

Praise the Lord with the lyre;

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.

R.

For the word of the Lord is upright,

and all his work is done in faithfulness.

He loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

R.

Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,

on those who hope in his steadfast love,

to deliver their soul from death,

and to keep them alive in famine.

R.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2.4-9

Come to the Lord, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight. Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Gospel: John 14.1-12

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father."

THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are no longer able to gather as a worshipping community as we used to. Many parishioners, however, are finding it a comfort to worship and pray at home. It is a long-held tradition for Christians, Lay and Ordained, to pray the Daily Office. All you need is a Bible and A Prayer Book. If you only have one or neither of these at home, call Carol in the Bookroom, or online at : <http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/>

| | MORNING PRAYER | EVENING PRAYER |
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| Monday | Ps 118 Numbers 13.1-3, 17-29 John 12.20-33 | Pss 114 & 115 Exodus 32.1-14 John 6.1-14 |
| Tuesday | Ps 33 Numbers 13.30-14.25 John 12.34-43 | Ps 31 Exodus 32.15-35 1 Corinthians 7.25-35 |
| Wednesday | Ps 103 Numbers 14.26-45 John 12.34-43 | Ps 66 Exodus 33.1-17 1 Corinthians 7.36-40 |
| <i>Matthias, Apostle & Martyr</i> | | |
| Thursday | Pss 80 Isaiah 66.1-4 Matthew 7. 15-27 | Ps 33 1 Samuel 1.21-28 1 Corinthians 4.1-13 |
| Friday | Pss 16 & 30 Numbers 16.20-40 John 13.12-20 | Ps 136 Exodus 34.11-24 (25-26) 1 Corinthians 9.1-14 |
| Saturday | Ps 116 Numbers 16.41 - 17.12 John 13.21-35 | Pss 111 & 113 Exodus 34.27 - 35.9 1 Corinthians 9.15-27 |

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Margaret Brown, Joe Butscher PRIEST, Hanna Christiansen, Cheryl Duff, Alice McCraith, Grace James, Lyn Nicholas, Tania Burdick, John Small, John Taaff, Evelina Thornton, Paul Wheelton, Rosemary Wilcox, Geoffrey Wratten, and George.

AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Tania Burdick, John Crocker, Gail Edwards, Sr Gloria CHN, Cliff Gornall, Sr Hilary CHN, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Judith Ryles, Barbara Ure-Smith, Annette Wood, Anne Wuttke; Andrew, Cecilia, Chad, Jan, and Peter.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

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| Sun | 10 | Louisa Eileen Bakewell, Norman Thomas Bevan, Eileen Mary Heden |
| Mon | 11 | Frances Burrows, Barry Dobson, Ethel Hudson, Ethel Wall |
| Tue | 12 | Mildred Dahle, Mary Benadetta Duggan, David Thomas Owen, Lawrence Turnbull <small>PRIEST</small> , Charles Wheeler |
| Wed | 13 | John Butement, Elizabeth Agnes Dawson, Gladys Hammond, John Mills |
| Thu | 14 | Guy Bakewell, Elizabeth Hosking, Sheila Martin, Frances McColl |
| Fri | 15 | Minnie Pendall |
| Sat | 16 | Milton Foster, Russell John Lucas Jennings, Mary Shorten |

NOTICES

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON YOUTUBE, EVERY SUNDAY MORNING

During these days of lock-down, all our Sunday Mass services are recorded. This Sunday's service will be posted early in the morning, so you can join us for remote worship at your usual Sunday worship time if you would like. Just tune into the St Peter's You Tube channel:

<https://bit.ly/34PFoBK>

SUNDAY MORNING TEA AT THE VICARAGE, BY ZOOM EVERY SUNDAY FROM 12.30PM

Usually, after Mass, we gather in the Hall for morning tea. As we can't do this in the same way anymore, the Vicar has started hosting a virtual "Sunday Morning Tea at the Vicarage" on Zoom. Do feel free to join in, by following the link: <https://bit.ly/3csplvY>

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION ONLINE - WEDNESDAYS AT NOON

Roland Ashby is leading a weekly meditation group online each Wednesday at 12 noon. Drawing on John Mayne, *Lectio divina*, and other christian mediation resources, this is a welcome time of quiet and contemplation in the middle of the week. For more information and to join the group contact Roland : randrashby@bigpond.com

ZOOM ROSARY AT ST PETER'S

The Rosary will be held thrice weekly: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5pm via Zoom. To download the Zoom app or join the meeting online visit the Zoom website: <https://zoom.us/>. If you're interested in being on the Zoom Rosary mailing list please email: alaetaulealo@gmail.com

FLOWERS DONATED TO THE PARISH

Flowers are sponsored by Peter Ondaatje in loving memory of his wife Rochelle, whose year's mind fell on the 8th May. Flowers today are also given by Mary Armour in loving memory of her husband Jack Macmichael Armour.

EfM - EXPLORING FAITH MATTERS

At St Peter's our EfM group will soon be beginning a new year in June and invites anyone interested in exploring and reflecting upon their Christian faith in depth to join us.

St Peter's EfM group usually meets on a Thursday evening from 6pm to 8.15pm. However, since the Covid-19 restrictions we are currently meeting on-line on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm to 9.15pm. The on-line meeting and time will continue until the current restrictions have been relaxed.

Details of the EfM program and the commitment involved are outlined in the EfM Information Brochure for 2020 which can be downloaded from the EfM website – www.efmaustralia.org or email Fr Greg who can send you a copy – gregdavies121@icloud.com

For more information or to register your interest please contact Fr Greg at gregdavies121@icloud.com or 0417 992 976.

NATIONWIDE MULTI FAITH ONLINE SERVICE FOR THE CLIMATE

On May 15th there is going to be a nationwide climate strike led by school students. Like everything else at the moment, it's going to be online. Of course this strike is taking place in a vastly changed world. Yet the current situation only highlights the need for action based on kindness and recognition of our obvious interconnectedness.

The Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC) is calling on all people of faith to show that we are united in this time of extreme adversity in the spirit of love, reverence and compassion - and to show our support for these amazing young people as clearly and publicly as we can. There are a couple of ways we can do this. One is by coming to a multi faith online service on May 15th at 10am Eastern time that ARRCC is organising in support of the school students.

The other is by attending the online strike itself on the same day. If you're interested in attending the service please fill out the form on this page: www.arrcc.org.au/strike_signup

For more details contact Roland Ashby: randrashby@bigpond.com

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ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

We are still open behind closed doors! Please phone, email or order online through our website.

As reviewed and celebrated in April's edition of The Melbourne Anglican these three traditional women Christian mystics affirm our sense 'that in these tumultuous times we are going to have to dig deep and that we are called to stand with courage in truth.' A reissue of pocket size books for daily reading. Each contains inspiring and profound selections by these marvellous women mystics.

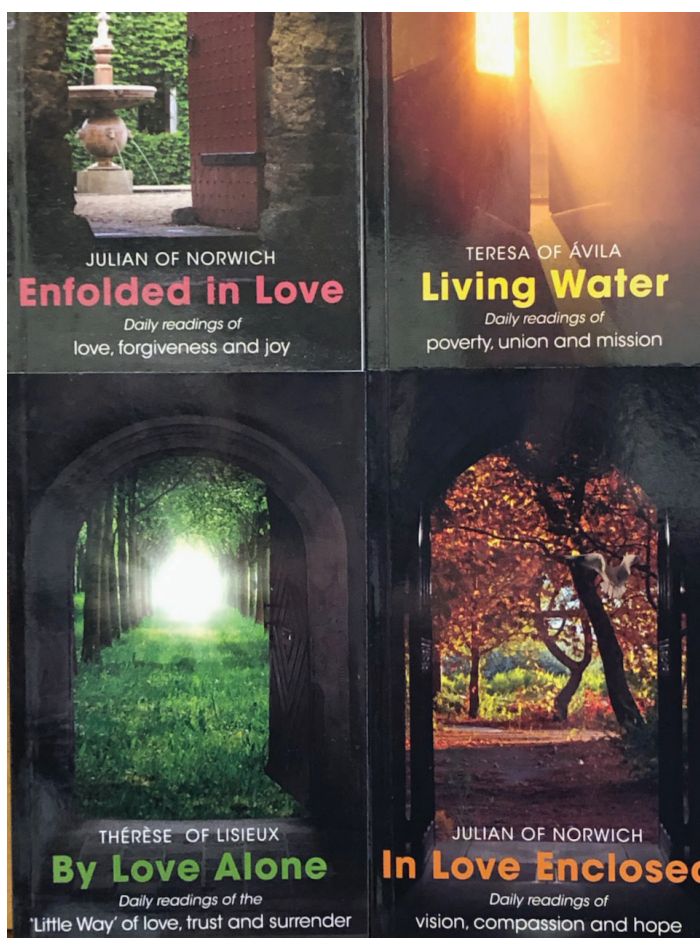
'I saw that all compassion to one's fellow-Christians, exercised in love, is a mark of Christ's indwelling.' Julian of Norwich

Enfolded in Love: Julian of Norwich
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In Love Enclosed: Julian of Norwich
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By Love Alone: Terese of Lisieux \$14.95



Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass

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Sunday Services

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| 8.00 am | Low Mass (BCP) |
| 9.30 am | Family Mass |
| 11.00 am | High Mass |
| 6.00 pm | Low Mass (Evensong & Benediction on 4 th Sunday) |

Refreshments are available in the Parish Hall after each of the Sunday morning Masses

Weekday Services

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| Mon – Fri: | Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays) Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm |
| Wed: | Mass at 1.15pm |
| Sat: | Mass at 9.00am (Cell of our Lady of Walsingham, 3 rd Saturday of the month) |

Clergy and Lay Ministers

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| Vicar: | Fr Hugh Kempster | 0488 960 022 |
| ASLM: | Alae Taule'alo | 0409 802 892 |
| Clergy: | Fr Greg Davies | 0417 992 976 |
| | Fr Don Edgar | 0418 967 829 |
| | Fr Philip Gill | 0480 101 711 |
| | Fr Ken Letts | 03 9662 2391 |
| | Fr David Peake | 0412 299 839 |
| | Fr Roger Prowd | 0417 323 112 |
| Klingner Scholar: | Xeverie Swee | 03 9662 2391 |

Other Parish Ministries and Programs

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| Acting Sacristan | Eugene Chin | 03 9662 2391 |
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| Cell of O.L.O.W: | Liz Prideaux | 03 9662 2391 |
| Charitable Foundation: | Krystyna Campbell-Pretty | 03 9662 2391 |
| Children: | Katherine Barnett | 03 9387 4089 |
| Child Safety Officer: | Rachel Ellyard | 03 9662 2391 |
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| | Helen Drummond (People) | 0419 897 973 |
| | Rachel Ellyard (People) | 0419 335 793 |
| Director of Music: | Andrew Raiskums | 0439 556 627 |
| Flowers: | Helen Drummond | 0419 897 973 |
| Guild of St Benedict | Daniel Ferguson | 0419 572 033 |
| Head Server: | Anthony Schepis | 0400 578 952 |
| Music Administrator: | Sue Wuttke | 0422 866 286 |
| Organist: | Rhys Arvidson | 0405 277 853 |
| Parish Administrator: | Konstantine Soteriou | 03 9662 2391 |
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| RMIT Chaplaincy: | Alae Taule'alo | 0409 802 892 |
| Weekday Mass | Christy Thiagarajah | 03 9662 2391 |

Parish Council Membership:

Helen Drummond
Stephen Duckett (Chair)
Rachel Ellyard
Daniel Ferguson
Peter Griffin (Treasurer)
Stuart Hibberd
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Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)
Terry Porter
William Southey
Rwth Stuckey
Peter Wild
Sue Wuttke

*We are an inclusive
and welcoming Church,
built on the lands of the
Wurundjeri people.
We are committed to
social justice, equality and
diversity. Our mission
is: "Catholic Evangelism:
Growing in God's love".*