

CALENDAR OF SUNDAY WORSHIP

October 2022

2 October 2022: 17th Sunday After Pentecost (OS 27)

Theme: If today you hear his voice harden not your hearts.

9am Eucharist – The Reverend Gail Bryce

11am **Blessing of the Animals** – The Reverend Gail Bryce

9 October 2022: 18th Sunday After Pentecost (OS 28)

Theme: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

9am Eucharist – The Reverend Gail Bryce

11am Gathering for Fellowship – The Reverend Gail Bryce

16 October 2022: 19th Sunday After Pentecost (OS 29)

Theme: Our help is from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

9am Eucharist – Fr Ken

11am Gathering for Fellowship – The Reverend Gail Bryce

23 October 2022: 20th Sunday After Pentecost (OS 30)

Theme: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

9am Eucharist – The Reverend Gail Bryce

11am Gathering for Fellowship – The Reverend Gail Bryce

30 October 2022: 21st Sunday After Pentecost (OS 31)

Theme: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

9am Eucharist – The Reverend Gail Bryce

11am Gathering for Fellowship – The Reverend Gail Bryce

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CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA

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Newsletter

2nd October, 2022

**A lighthouse atop Green Knoll
A lighthouse shining in the dark
A lighthouse beaming the light
of life
of love
of hope
of Christ**



A vision for Christ Church St Kilda

*Christ Church St Kilda Parish acknowledges the
Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung with deep respect.*

*We give thanks to God for their Elders, both past and present,
and their continuing relationship to this land.*

NEWS FROM THE WARDENS

The wardens, on behalf of the Parish, warmly welcome the Reverend Gail Bryce as our locum priest following the departure of Fr Turi and Dianne. Please make yourself known to her at the end of the service or at morning tea and we look forward to working closely with her during the time the Incumbency Committee works to find a new Vicar.

The Abbey Church of St Peter at Westminster

The Abbey Church of St Peter at Westminster Last week the focus of the world was on a particular Anglican church, commonly called Westminster Abbey. And those who watched the funeral rites of the late Queen Elizabeth II could not have helped but be impressed by the dignity and beauty of the ceremonies in that sacred space. Because of its Royal connections - it has been, for over 1000 years, the place for the coronation of every British monarch since William of Normandy - the Abbey has become a must-see for any visitors to London. But what a mistake to think of it only as a tourist destination. It is, as all churches must be, a place of worship and prayer, a powerful sign in stone and wood and glass of the Presence of God in the midst of his People. Not only is it a place of personal, private prayer, but supremely a place of liturgical prayer, the Common Prayer of the Community of Faith. In the Abbey, every morning and every evening, Matins and Evensong are said or sung, and twice a day - more so on feast days - the Eucharist is offered for the good of the whole Church and of the world in which we live: the voice of prayer is never silent, nor dies the sound of

praise away. This is our heritage and one which must always be affirmed. It's so easy to regard church buildings as simply functional for shelter or for aesthetic reasons, but other sort of shelters can be provided and beauty can be found elsewhere. The Church - and our churches - must be a sign for all people to read: a sign of the Good News that we have found in Christ in this life and for the life to come. Fr Ken



Farewell to Fr Turi and Dianne a big Success

Wednesday Night's farewell reception for Fr Turi and Dianne drew a large crowd to enjoy the wonderful food prepared by Robyn, Susan, Michele, Juli and Lois. Also a big thank you to Niki, Marie, Elaine, Valerie, David and Andrew who all helped with the planning, sourcing the food and cleaning up. The Wardens give a huge vote of thanks to these volunteers who took on the task of food preparation and cleaning up. Colm did a superb job too at the bar and Rachel and Sophie acted as waitresses and keep the food moving. Lovely flowers were arranged by Elisabeth. Many thanks to all those who contributed to the farewell gift to Fr Turi and Dianne which was augmented by the beautiful

quilt made by the quilting ladies (Robyn and Michele). The night was given a tremendous treat when the large Maori group sang an emotional song of farewell. Speeches were made and prayers and wishes expressed for a safe and happy return to New Zealand for Turi and Dianne.

PARISH FINANCES:

August 2022			Year to date		
Budget	Actual	Var ⁿ	Budget	Actual	Var ⁿ
4,831	5,093	262	57,369	60,758	3,389

The Wardens thank everyone for continuing to give generously toward the life of the Parish.

FUNDRAISING

We are looking for additional stalls to join us on the first Saturday of each month. If you know of anyone who would like to have a stall on a regular basis or just a one off, please ask them to ring Robyn on 0408 536 241 for further details.

PARISH EVENTS/MEETINGS

Finding the new vicar:

Meeting Sunday 23rd October after the 9am Service

Please come!

As Fr Turi has now left us to return to New Zealand, the Parish will now undertake a standard process to find a new Vicar. The members of the Incumbency Committee (Valerie Lion, Charles Baird and Geoffrey Court) have met with Bishop Genieve. The next step is to hold a Parish Consultation. Bishop Genieve has asked Rev Nick White to facilitate this process. He will meet with parishioners after the **9 am service on Sunday 23rd October**. To gain a true understanding of the views of parishioners on our next Vicar. We would encourage you to attend.
Geoffrey Court for the Parish Council

LIFE IN THE PARISH

There will be no 11am Informal Gathering today as it has been replaced by a Blessing of the Animals service. This service will take place on the grassed area behind the church.

All are welcome!

Prayer Requests

It's important for us to keep our prayers going for those on the Parish prayer list. How do you let the Parish know you have a prayer request to add to the Parish prayer list? You can call Fr Ken on 0428 671 789 or email him at kletts@mac.com You can also contact Valerie Lion or Geoffrey Court. We know prayer works.

Praying for the Parish

The Parish Prayer Group continues to meet **every Thursday at 9.30am** to pray for the Parish. Now that restrictions have eased, they meet in the Memorial Garden when the weather is good, otherwise they meet in the St Michael Chapel (enter by side door). Everyone is welcome to join the Group whenever you are able. Geoffrey Court is the facilitator.

Parish Safety Officer

Niki is now our Parish Safety Officer. Her job is to ensure that the Parish complies with Federal, State and Diocesan regulations concerning the safety of children and young people. Niki can be contacted at aniki7536@gmail.com if you wish to report any incidents or concerns. Or you can report your concern to the diocesan agency, Kooyoora on 1800 135 246

LIVING WITH COVID-19

Most Churches and Church activities are free of restrictions, but Robyn asks that you continue to use sanitizer and not attend if you have any symptoms to maintain our duty of care for each other. The wearing of masks is not mandatory, but we encourage the wearing of them to protect yourself and others.

COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

The staff and volunteers of Christ Church Mission Community Centre would like to acknowledge and thank



Father Turi and Dianne for their 8 plus years of service and support to the local community. We have enjoyed their company and will miss them both. We wish them all the best for their return home to family and

friends and all the happiness the future has to offer.

Thank you so much to you both Father Turi and Dianne.

From all of us at the Community Centre.

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Entry: Donations welcome

Presentation by Dr Bronwyn Hughes OAM

Stained Glass Historian

Music by local Community Choir OneVoice for God

Directed by Silvana D'Ambrosio

Student art work on display. Refreshments.

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ST KILDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OPEN DAY

October 22nd 2022, [10 am](#) to [2 pm](#)