



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA

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Christ Church Parish Vision Statement

A worshipping Christian community

- humbly loving God and one another;
- proclaiming the Gospel in word and deed; and
- creating an environment in which all people feel welcomed and accepted.

Christ Church Parish Mission Statement

We take as our Christian Mission the practice of Pastoral Care for our community and the wider community; Worship that welcomes all; Nurturing all peoples; Social Justice; and Caring for God's Creation

PLEASE NOTE WHERE THE EXIT DOORS ARE

OHS regulations require the Wardens to make sure that people know where the exits to the church are located in case of an emergency.

From the Vicar's Desk

On Thursday and Friday of the week just gone, Geoffrey Court, Stefan Angheli and Fr Turi attended the hearing of Elan's appeal to the Heritage Council Victoria concerning its proposal to turn the Old Bishop's Residence at 1 St Leonard's Avenue. Robyn Foy was able to join us for the Thursday. They were two long and tiring days. The Heritage Council had appointed a Committee of 3 people to receive submissions, hear presentations, and to make a decision on the appeal. On Thursday we heard presentations from a representative of the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria, 6 people opposed to the proposal including some of our neighbours, and 2 Expert Witnesses that the opponents had asked to speak before the Committee. The expert witnesses gave lengthy presentations and then were cross-examined by the ED, Elan's legal team, those opposed to the proposal and members of the Committee.

On Friday we heard concluding comments from some of the people opposed to the proposal before Elan's legal team began their presentation late in the morning. The legal team had listed 3 Expert Witnesses. First they called Mr Jim Gardner, an Architect and former Executive Director of Heritage Victoria. In

the afternoon they called Mr Ken Spackman, the CEO of the Melbourne Anglican Diocese Corporation (MADC). MADC holds in trust all property and assets of the Melbourne Diocese. including the land and buildings that comprise Christ Church St Kilda.

Because there was no time to hear the 3rd Expert Witness, Mr Peter Lovell will give his presentation and the lawyers for Elan will then conclude. By then the Committee will have decided to hear again from the Executive Director's representative before summing up. The final day of hearing will be on **Tuesday 28 May at 9:30am in Room 2, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne VIC 3000**. Any parishioner who may be available to go please speak to Fr Turi.

Parish News

Election of Lay Representatives to Synod

On 1 March 2019 the 52nd Synod of the Diocese of Melbourne was dissolved. Fr Turi has received communication from Archbishop Philip Freier that a general election of new lay representatives needs to take place so that a new Synod may be constituted. Electors are therefore invited to elect two (2) Lay Representatives and one (1) Alternate Lay Representative in accordance with the Synod Act 1927. These elections needed to be held in the manner specified in the Act on or before 16 June 2019. If an election is required it will be held on **Sunday 2 June. Voting forms will be provided before the 9am and 11am services and collected following the respective services. Nomination forms are available at the rear of the church from today.**

Praying for the Parish

Praying for the Parish is vital for its life and well-being. At 9.30am on Thursday mornings a small group has been meeting to pray for the Parish, and you are very welcome to join us.

Interment of Ashes Service

At **1pm on Saturday 25th May** there will be an interment service for Joan Sutherland in the "Garden of No Distant Place" at Springvale Botanical Cemetery. Members of the Parish are invited to attend the service.

UnHOWsed

UnHOWsed is a project two Port Phillip theatre groups are doing with Theatre Works. The aim of the project is to produce a play that explores the experience and issues of older women's homelessness. The Parish and the Christ Church Community Centre have partnered with them on the project. People involved in the project will be meeting in the church at **1-4pm on 20 May, 3 June and 17 June**.

A Men's Support Group

Fr Turi intends to start a group for men. It will not be a counselling or therapy group but will aim to provide pastoral care. Pastoral care is providing emotional and spiritual support to people in their pain, loss and anxiety, and their triumphs, joys and victories. In this instance it will be for men experiencing anxiety, depression and/or loneliness in their lives. If you or someone you know might be interested in coming along, please let Fr Turi know. Fr Turi would like to start the group later this month.

Retreats

Last week Fr Turi spoke about organising a retreat for women and another for men. So far one person has indicated that they would like to go on a retreat. Can you please indicate to Fr Turi your level of interest and talk to your family, friends and/or neighbours to see if they might be interested in participating. Preferably the retreat would be over night.

Vicar's Diary

20 May	10am	Meeting: Technicalities IT
	11am	Tuning of piano in church
21 May	All day	Marmingatha Regional Clergy Conference
22 May	All day	Marmingatha Regional Clergy Conference
	7pm	Green Knoll Community Choir
23 May	11:30am	Meeting: First Step
	2:30pm	Interview: Examining Chaplain
24 May	All day	Day off
25 May	1pm	Interment of Ashes: Joan Sutherland

Community Centre

Emergency Food Cupboard Needs

For May and June, the Community Centre is looking for small long life milk, small boxes of cereal, toothpaste, deodorant, and toilet paper. The generosity of parishioners is very much appreciated by the Community Centre.

Green Knoll Community Choir

The Green Knoll Community Choir meets in the church most Wednesday nights from 7 to 9pm. **New members are always welcome.** The choir is a community project under the Community Centre.. Gelareh Pour is the Choir Leader.

Area Deanery

2019 Bishop's Mission

The **2019 Bishop's Mission** in the Marmingatha Episcopate will be held across **Parishes in the Port Phillip Area Deanery** on **19-23 June**, including our Parish. We will be hosting Bishop and her mission team, comprised of students

from Trinity and Ridley Colleges, on **Wednesday 19 June**. We hope to have one, possibly two students with us for our services on **Sunday 23 June**.

CALENDAR OF KEY SERVICES

26 May 2019: 6th Sunday of Easter

Theme: Christ our high priest

9am Sung Eucharist

11am Informal Eucharist

Thursday 30 May 2019: Ascension Day

Theme: Christ risen, ascended, glorified

9am Ascension Day Mass

2 June 2019: Feast of the Ascension

Theme: Christ risen, ascended, glorified

9am Sung Eucharist

11am Informal Eucharist

9 June 2019: Day of Pentecost - Whitsunday

Theme: The Spirit poured out

9am Sung Eucharist

11am Informal Eucharist

16 June 2019: Trinity Sunday

Theme: The Holy Trinity

9am Sung Eucharist

11am Informal Eucharist

23 June 2019: Corpus Christi – 2nd Sunday After Pentecost

Theme: The body and blood of Christ

9am Sung Eucharist

11am Informal Eucharist

PARISH OFFERTORY

	<u>April 2019</u>			<u>Year to Date</u>		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Var</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Var</u>	
4,615	8,040	3,425	34,615	34,187	-418	

Our new memorial garden is a significant addition to our Parish facilities but has cost us \$2800 more than budgeted. We are asking for contributions towards its funding with a retiring collection in St Michael's Chapel. To date we have collected \$1,188. We will keep you up to date with progress.