

Notices

The next meeting of St. Edward's Friendship (Caritas) group will be on Tuesday October 3rd at 12.30pm. We will meet at the **Shingle Inn Cafe at Forest Hill shopping centre.** This is a new Cafe on the 2nd level opposite the Pharmacy (it used to be a shoe shop). It is proving to be very popular so please ring Beth on 9874 8112 as Dorothy is going to book the tables. (Remember to ask for seniors discount!)

Advance notice: the annual combined service to commemorate St Edward will be on October 15th. The service will commence at 9:30 am and be followed by a special morning tea.

Please note: there are new rosters out for October.

Prayer requests –Beth Gibbs.

Prayers of the people

- Our thoughts and prayers are with Glenda Lyons and family with the death of Alan on Thursday.
- Mark Massoud as he recovers from heart surgery.
- Ken Rowe is recovering from a shoulder operation to deal with an infection. He is due to move into rehab at Donvale this week.
- On-going support and adjustment for Trish Phyland following the loss of Peter.
- For Des Andrews whose ulcer on his leg requires strong antibiotics to heal.
- Praise God that Robin and Liz are able to take their trip to Sydney to care for their grandchildren following the all clear from Robin's doctor.
- For the Alison Jessup, the niece of Katrina Foulds who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- For Jenny Lynch following the death of her father last Sunday.
- For Peta Foote who has shingles and for her daughter Lorna who has developed lung cancer.

Please pray for the work of Michael, Melanie & Aaron Viljoen – Wycliffe Bible Translators. And also for the ministry of Rev. Anne & Noel Nixon – BCA, Qld.

Welcome to St Edward's

Being in jail, is not the place to be, if you are wanting to promote your cause. But for Paul, it is. His optimistic view of his situation is not due to the 'power of positive thinking'. He tells us that being in chains has got people talking and asking, "Why are you here?" (Philippians 1:12-14). It gives Paul the opportunity to tell others that he is in jail because he has appealed to Caesar as the highest court in the empire. What is at stake for Paul? The resurrection of Christ. The Jews in Jerusalem however, claimed that the dead are not raised and therefore Jesus the Messiah has not been raised. Paul's claim caused a riot, then his arrest which was followed by several other trials, before his appeal and then transportation to Rome (Acts 21:27 - 26:32). At stake for Paul are two issues. The first is that he and this new religious movement he has joined, are lawabiding citizens; not law breakers. He persistently shows his obedience to the authorities as a Roman citizen. The second, and most important, is that the truth of the gospel rests on the resurrection.

But what then is the gospel? It is the good news that Jesus the Messiah and Son of God has died for our sins and he been raised from the dead. As proof that his death was sufficient to deal with our sins once, for all time, is the resurrection. It also points to the Lordship of Christ, that he has the authority to raise all people to life and then judge them (Acts 17:29-31). Everyone who dies will face judgement and be condemned if they have not sought the solution provided by the death of Christ. This upset the religious people of Paul's day because they trusted in their religion, not Christ. And so it is the case today.

St Edward's Anglican Church

**16th Sun after Pentecost
24th September 2017**

Address

59 Edinburgh Road
Blackburn Sth
Victoria 3130
Office: 9877 3665

Minister

Rev Rob Culhane
rculhane@optusnet.com.au
Mobile: 0412 832 328

Service times

**Sunday 8 & 10 am
Thursday 10 am**

Wardens

Barbara Watt	9802 2846 0416 298 133
Stephen Smith	9898 4945
Alan Gibbs	9874 8112 0412 717 534

Website: stedwards.org.au

Verse of the day

“By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.”

(Ephesians 2:8-9)

Prayer of the day

Loving and righteous God,
your boundless generosity exceeds
all that we can desire or deserve,
and you give to the last worker all you promised to the first:
liberate us from all jealousy and greed,
that we may be free to love and serve others,
and in your service may find our true reward;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

8 AM. (Holy Communion, 1st Order, APBA, p.101)

Readings

New Testament	Philippians 1:12-30	(p. 1178)
Psalm	105:1-16, 37-45	(APBA, 332)
Gospel	Matthew 20:1-16	(p. 987)

Hymns

216 (Tune Darwall, 371) ‘Rejoice the Lord is King’
202 ‘I know my Redeemer lives’
584 (ii) ‘Just as I am’

10 AM (Holy Communion, 2nd Order, APBA, p.119)

Gathering in God’s name

Verse of the Day

Hymn: 216 (Tune Darwall, 371) ‘Rejoice the Lord is King’

Prayer of Preparation

(APBA, p, 119)

Prayer of the Day

Ministry of the Word

New Testament	Philippians 1:12-30	(p. 1178)
Psalm	105:1-16, 37-45	(APBA, 332)
Gospel	Matthew 20:1-16	(p. 987)
Sermon		
The Nicene Creed		(APBA, p. 123)

Hymn: 202 ‘I know my Redeemer lives’

Prayers of the people & the Lord’s Prayer

(p. 124)

Confession and Absolution

Prayer of Approach	(p. 125)
Confession	(p. 126)
Absolution and Greeting of peace	(p. 127)

Hymn: 516 ‘Here gracious Lord’

Holy Communion - Thanksgiving 4 (APBA, 130)

Prayer after communion: p. 143, (a).

Notices

Hymn: 584 (ii) ‘Just as I am’

Sending out of God’s people.