Notices

Ladies Fellowship – meeting this Tuesday 1:30 pm in the narthex.

Pauline Robertson sends her thanks to the folk of St Edward's for all the phone calls and cards she has received while in hospital. She is now home.

SPECIAL EFFORTS COMMITTEE PROPOSED DATES FOR 2019

- ☆ A Market Day will replace the annual fete on the 16th March 2019.
- \Rightarrow The annual dinner is proposed for October 2019. A specific date will be notified in due course.
- ☆ An Afternoon Tea/Concert is planned on a date yet to be confirmed. Please note that we lack the resources to conduct a fete this year in November.

Prayer requests –Please let Beth Gibbs or Liz Helmond know.

Prayers of the people

- ACCESS ministries is facing a Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) case on September 11th. A claim has been made against the right by ACCESS to advertise for School Chaplains who are Christian. A person has claimed this discriminates against them applying for a position as a school chaplain.
- Pauline Robertson who has returned home following her surgery in hospital.
- Liz Helmond has had gallbladder surgery and is now recovering at home.
- Lorraine Palmer (a friend of Trisha's), who has cancer.
- Beth Gibbs who is now home and taking life at a slower pace.
- •Katrina's sister who has returned home but needs support. Thank God for the renewed energy and healing Katrina has received from her sore back.
- For those who are struggling with infirmity: for Des Andrews and also Dorothy Miller who is in respite care in Stawell. Frank Dawe is at home now.

Please pray for the work of Michael, Melanie & Aaron Viljoen – Wycliffe Bible Translators in Cameroon.

Welcome to St Edward's

Is it possible to know how to live in a way which will be life giving to us rather than stressing us out? Where will we find the guidance and values for families that will enable them to be a blessing to their children and others? Teenagers often look confused with the subject options and career possibilities and wonder what to do? There is no shortage of opinions offered to us which claim to be 'the way', or 'the truth' to find meaning and purpose in life. Weekend newspapers, radio talkback or books circulating in our community are some of the voices we hear which offer an answer to these questions. The more cynical will point to the emptiness of materialism, but be limited in offering an alternative.

For the Christian, however, there is a surprising resource already available which provides wisdom on how to live. It is the book of Proverbs in the OT. It guides those seeking life in God with a confident voice, teaching them the meaning of life and the values which will provide a deep and meaningful lifestyle. How does it do this?

It achieves this by making a practical application of the OT Law to daily life so that we might love both God and our neighbour. It provides the principles on how to live out God's laws in daily living, and by doing this, we find life (in God), and meaning to our existence. It offers insights into the value of adhering to God's standards and the consequences of ignoring them. Often they are memorable with no part of daily life escaping comment, be it a whinging wife, the stupidity of a man pursuing an adulterous affair or the blessing of honesty in business dealings. Even ants, an author notes, can teach us something we find, if you look at this world through the eyes of God. And for those seeking to know God's will – look no further!

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9th September 2018 16th Sunday after Pentecost

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Verse of the Day

"If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbour as yourself," you are doing right. . . . For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it."

(James 2:13)

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, increase our faith, hope and love.

Make us love what you command; to love those whom the world despises, and to love the path that leads to eternal life, so that we may receive all you promise, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Ministry of the Word

Old Testament	Prov 22:1-11, 22-25	(p. 657)
Psalm	125	(APBA, 361)
Gospel	Mark 7:24-37	(p. 1010)

Hymns

161 "Tell out my soul" Cov't 3 "Blessed is the man" 106 (i) "Now thank we all our God"

10 AM Prayer, Praise and Proclamation (APBA, p. 35)

Praise and Thanksgiving to God

Welcome, Verse of the Day and verses of scripture (Sitting)
Thanksgiving prayer (OHP) (APBA, 36)

Song: MP 1072 "In Christ alone"

Ministry of the Word

Old Testament	Prov 22:1-11, 22-25	(p. 657)
Psalm	125	(APBA, 361)
New Testament	James 2:1-17	(p. 1214)
Apostles Creed (OHP)		(APBA, p. 37)
The Sermon		

Song: 636 "God has spoken to his people"

Confession of sin

Confession and Absolution (OHP)	(APBA p. 38)
Declaration of God's forgiveness	(APBA p. 39)
Assurance of God's forgiveness	(APBA, p. 39)

Ministry of prayer

Testimony, sharing + Prayer	+ Lord's Prayer	(APBA p. 40)
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Notices

Sending out of God's people (OHP) (APBA p. 40)

Song: 154 "Great is your faithfulness"

Benediction	(APBA, p. 93)
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