



One church. Anglican Parish of Mt. Dandenong

Two sites. St. Matthew's Olinda · St. Michael's Kalorama

All welcome. In Christ: Growing Caring Sharing

Shine

December 2, 2018



FIRST SUNDAY OF *Advent*

Sentence: Stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near. Luke 21:28

Prayer of the day Eternal God, you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand:

keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, and make us strong in faith, so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth, we may go out joyfully to greet him; and, with all your saints, may worship you forever through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings for Today		page
Please follow along in your pew Bible		
1st Reading	Jeremiah 33.14-16	645
Psalm	25.1-10	244
2nd Reading	1 Thessalonians 3.9-13	960
Gospel	Luke 21.25-38	856

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We extend a very warm welcome to everyone attending our services today. You are invited to remain after the 9.30 am and 11.00 am services to join with us for a cup of tea or coffee in the Church Hall



Dates for the Diary.

Sunday December 2nd

Healing Service 6pm at St Michael's

Sunday December 16

Baby Shower for Francy and Greg Foot
3pm in St Michael's Hall

All welcome! Come join the fun and help us to bless them as they prepare for the birth of their first child in January.

Please bring something to share for Afternoon Tea

Tuesday December 18

Parish council 7.45pm in St Michael's Hall



Christmas @ Light in the Hills

SUNDAY DEC 23

8am Holy Communion @St Michael's Kalorama

9.30am A service of Lessons and Carols with Communion @ St Matthew's

11am A service of Lessons and Carols with Communion @ St Michael's

MONDAY 24TH CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

8pm in the Grounds at

St Michael & All Angels Kalorama

CHRISTMAS EVE HOLY COMMUNION

11.30pm at St Michael's Kalorama

CHRISTMAS DAY FAMILY COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday December 25th

9am at St Matthew's Olinda

& 10.30am at St Michael's Kalorama

Kalorama Carols 8pm Sunday December 24th

Helpers needed. In particular we are very short of singers this year so if you would like to be a part of our singing group or are able to help out by reading or distributing programs and candles please speak to Andrew.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 30TH

10.30am Combined Service of Holy Communion
at St Matthew's Olinda

Empty Christmas Trees

"Unwrapped Gifts and Grocery items" for Distribution by Anglicare Victoria should be left beneath the Christmas trees at both churches by Sunday December the 9th. Anything which comes in later will go to the Monbulk Care Network. Gifts for STEPS should have their stars attached and be returned by Sunday the 9th also.



Share God's love through
the Christmas Bowl ✨ ✨



This Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent and the theme for this week is Hope.

When your home and livelihood are destroyed, how do you find the strength to start over? You need hope – the ability to trust in God's love and the goodness of His plan for your life.

This is what your Christmas Bowl gifts bring to women in Vanuatu, who are struggling to keep their families resilient through worsening natural disasters.

May is a mother of five who knows all too well the destruction a cyclone causes. One has torn through her village in Vanuatu almost every year of her life. Through your support of the Christmas Bowl, May is now teaching others in her community how to stay safe and keep their faith through the next calamity.

To read May's full story see the notice board or see the attachment to this week's email. Christmas bowl envelopes are available in the porch this morning or you can give online. <https://www.actforpeace.org.au/Christmas-Bowl>



INTERCESSION

Prayer for healing is offered after each Sunday morning service.

At St. Michael's come forward to the Communion rail
and at St. Matthew's come to the front pew.

You are welcome to seek prayer for yourself and others.

World: Pray those affected by two strong earthquakes in Alaska yesterday.

- Continue to pray for those affected by the horrific Californian wild fires.
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and especially in the light of the current tensions.
- Pray for God's protection for all Christians in places of danger.
- Pray for God to stir in the hearts of world leaders gathering for the G20 summit in Argentina

Local: Pray for those affected by the ongoing extreme bushfire crisis in Queensland. Pray for safety and protection for firefighters, communities and all those involved. Pray that more favourable weather conditions would develop to aid firefighters in the battle.

- Pray for our local CFA branches as they prepare for the coming fire season.
- Pray for our newly elected state Government. Pray that they would be open to God's leading
- Pray for the schools of our local community.
- Pray for Louise Roberts whose father, Raj, passed away in England on Wednesday.

Church:

- Pray for opportunities to reach the young people of our community
- Pray for Marmadukes and our Sunday school
- Pray for our Bible study and home groups
- Pray for Bethany Vaughan our CMS missionary in Cambodia
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; Marina, David C, Pam, Joan, Peter A, David O, Hanne, Jeanette, Sue and Colin O

Birthday's: 4/12 Keith Drummond, 6/12 Josh Robinson, Greg Atkinson

Anniversaries: 2/12 Mary Calcutt, Sheila Buckler, 3/12 Elsie Wood

THIS WEEK @ LIGHT IN THE HILLS

Sunday 2	8am 9.30am 11.00am 6pm	BCP Holy Communion and breakfast @ St Michael's Holy communion and Sunday school @ St Matthew's Holy Baptism at St Michael's Healing Service at St Michael's
Monday 3	10am 7.30pm	Art Group @ St Michael's Hall Table Tennis at St Michael's Hall
Tuesday 4	10am 11am	Marmadukes Christmas breakup Christian Prayer and Meditation
Wednesday 5	10am 7.30pm	Holy Communion @ St Matthew's Bible Study @ the Drummonds
Thursday 6	10am 7.pm	Bible Study @ Brunch Ladies Bible Study @ Wendy's
Sunday 9	8am 9.30am 11.00am	Holy Communion @ St Michael's Holy communion and Sunday school @ St Matthew's Holy Communion at St Michael's

Readings for December 9		page
2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT		
1st Reading	Malachi 3.1-14	778
Psalm	Luke 1.68-79	832
2nd Reading	Philippian's 1.1-11	953
Gospel	Luke 3.1-16	834

Pew Sheets Notices

If you have any notices for the pew sheet please email them to Andrew's attention by midday Thursday bandasmiths@gmail.com

OFFERINGS

One of the best ways of supporting the life and mission of our church is by setting up a direct debit with the Anglican Development Fund. ADF Planned Giving is the preferred method of giving directly, as it is completely anonymous. You can choose to give out of any bank account or credit card, and can give on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. You also receive a book of tickets to put into the collection plate each week. Details of how to do this are available from the back of each church or you can contact the ADF direct.



Prayer Ministry

Prayer requests to: Wendy Berry or email:
mtdandyparishprayer@y7mail.com

If you would like to join our group of intercessors please email Wendy Berry and let her know you would like your name added to the list.

Bible Study Groups

- Wednesday** 7.30 - 9.30pm @ 2 Logan Ave Kalorama
Contact Ian or Heather Hartley for more details 9728 1541
- Thursday** 10am Bible Study at Brunch. All welcome.
Ph. Andrew 9728 6353
- Thursday** 7.- 9pm. Women's Bible Study every Thursday.
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