

One church. Anglican Parish of Mt. Dandenong

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

All welcome. In Christ: Growing Caring Sharing

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March 13 2016 The fifth Sunday of Lent



Sentence: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. Psalm 126.6

Prayer of the week: Christ, whose feet were caressed with perfume and a woman's hair, you humbly took a basin and towel and washed the feet of your friends: wash us also in your tenderness, that, embracing your service freely, we may accept no other bondage in your name. Amen.

	Readings for Today Please follow along in your Pew Bible.	page
1st Reading	Isaiah 43:16-21	586
Psalm	126	362
2nd Reading	Philippians 3:3-14	954
Gospel	John 12:1-8	874



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

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Today March 13 Healing Service at St Michael's 6pm

Please join us for Morning Tea after the 11am Service at St Michael's this morning as we say farewell to Connie French who is moving to NSW

Tues, March 22nd at 12.30pm

Friendship Lunch on at Brunch.
RSVP to Carolyn by Mon. March 21st 9751 1436.



EASTER SERVICE TIMES

Maundy Thursday, March 24
Holy Communion 7.30pm at St Matthew's Olinda

Good Friday March, 25

9.30am at St Matthew's Olinda& 11.00am at St Michael's Kalorama Join us for Hot Cross Buns and a cuppa after the service!

Easter Day Sunday, March 27

8am & 11.00am St Michael's and 9.30am St Matthew's.
Please bring small bunches of flowers with you to decorate the Easter Cross.
Easter Egg Hunt after 9.30and 11.00am Services

Every Day with Jesus written by Selwyn Hughes

EDWJ is a daily reading guide to assist with knowing your Bible. Each booklet offers two months of meditations and prayers that follow a particular theme. The reading takes only about 10-15 minutes of one's day and offers the opportunity of a time of quietness. The current price is \$54.00 for the year, commencing in March until February 2017. Payment for the year is required in advance. A number of the Church Family already read and study EDWJ. It is also available as an Email subscription/ Ebook/ Kindle. If you think you would like to explore this please contact Heather Hartley, ph. 9728 1541 for further information. Heather will deliver it you.



SATURDAY

MARCH 19 11AM—3PM

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St Matthew's Olinda

This year we are trying out a new day and a new format.

Stalls and activities to include; Books, Food, Kid's fun, Plants, Pony rides, Easter Egg Hunt, Silent Auction and more...

More helpers urgently needed. In order to make this day a success we will need help from as many people as possible.

Please Contact Janet Rowe if you are able to assist. 9728 1125

Set up for the fair will be on Friday Evening

Silent Auction

All offers of assistance gratefully accepted. Any parishioners with goods (new or almost new) and/or skills /services they could donate, please contact Louise (0404 875 797) or

email louisegeoghegan@bigpond.com, items can be collected or left at each church, mark Silent Auction, please. Small items can be combined into Hampers-some possible themes- men's or ladies pamper packs, pet pack, fine dining, children's, etc. Thank You.

Copies of John and Jill Morshead's Latest newsletter are available on the notice board of each Church.

The latest edition of the Melbourne Anglican is also available from this week.

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Breathtaking Love



In our Gospel reading this week we find a demonstration of the most spectacular and extravagant love. Jesus has been invited to be the guest of honour at a dinner party at the home of his dear friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus. As the evening progresses Mary take out a bottle of the most expensive perfume and uses it to wash Jesus' feet.

The act is both breathtaking and shocking as the perfume would have cost Mary almost a years wages. But as we have seen before Mary is no shrinking violet when it comes to expressing her devotion to the Lord. We would do well to take a leaf out of her book.

Jesus himself will soon show them all a thing or two about breathtaking love. They will see it when he shows them that true love is best expressed when we are willing to serve others by washing their feet. But most breathtakingly of all Jesus will soon willingly allow his own breath to be taken away in order that we may know life.

This life giving love is the kind of love he expects from us too. "A new commandment I give you, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:34-35.

Till next time.



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 for all those affected by the cyclone in Fiji

- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.
- Give thanks for our all those who offer us love and care.
- Pray for the families of our community both children and parents.
- Pray that God would guide the parents of our community with the wisdom they need to raise faithful and godly children who know the love of Jesus in their lives

Local: Pray for opportunities to share God's love with friends and family

- Pray for single parent families and all those who live alone.
- Pray for families facing difficulty and hardship at this time
- Pray for those who suffer from mental health issues.

Parish Pray for those working on our parish Mission Action Plan.

- Pray for the Autumn fair at St Matthew's
- Pray for our Sunday School and our ministry with children.
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; Colin, Mollie, John and Ann and their family, Harold, Peter, Muriel, Rosemary & Frank.

Birthdays: 16/3 Louise Roberts

Anniversaries: 13/3 Arthur Webb, Gladys Owen, 14/3 Kathleen Thompson, 16/3 Thomas Ward, Robert Stewart, 17/3 Enid Guy, 18/3 Ivy Crags, Alice Coupland, 19/3 Athol Allwright, Margaret Doble

The Coming Week

Sun 13 Lent 5	8am. 9.30am 11am 6pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion & Sunday School at St Matthew's Holy Communion at St Michael's Healing Service at St Michael's
Tuesday 15	10am	Marmadukes, St Matthew's
Wed 17	10am 5pm	Holy Communion, St Matthew's Prayer for the Hills, St Matthew's
Thurs 17	10am	Bible Study at Brunch
Sun 20 Palm Sunday	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion at St Michael's Holy Communion & Sunday School at St Matthew's Holy Communion at St Michael's

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Psalm	31:9-18	251
2nd Reading	Philippians 2:5-11	954
Gospel	Luke 22:14-23:56	857

Pew Sheets Notices

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

Like to hear a missed sermon?

Listen at home to past sermons on our website www.lightinthehills.org.au

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 (Starting again soon)

Wed Weekly Bible Study at The Vicarage

7.45pm Ph. Andrew 9728 6353 (Possibly moving to Thursday)

Thursday 10am Bible Study at Brunch. All welcome. Ph. Andrew 9728 6353

7.45 pm Younger Women every 2nd Thurs.

Contact Marina on 0407 326 263

There are also opportunities for new groups this year including; a group for training new group leaders, and

a group for men.

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