



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



March 19 MOTHERING SUNDAY



**Sentence:** "I am the light of the world," says the Lord; "those who follow me will have the light of life." John 4:14

### Prayer of the week:

Gracious God,  
in order that we children of Earth  
might discern good from evil  
you sent your Son to be the light of the world:  
as the light of Christ shines upon us,  
may we learn what pleases you,  
and live in truth and goodness;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

	Readings for Today Please follow along in your Pew Bible.	page
1st Reading	1 Samuel 16:1-13	226
Psalm	23	435
2nd Reading	Ephesians 5:8-14	951
Gospel	John 9:1-41	871



*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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# Dates for the Diary.



## March 19, Mothering Sunday



Holy Communion 9am @ St Matthew's Olinda  
Holy Communion 11am at St Michael's Kalorama

## Tuesday March 21

12.30-4pm. Tuesday Drop in at St Michael's Kalorama  
Incumbency Committee Meeting. 7.30pm at St Matthew's

## Wednesday March 22

Holy Communion 10am at St Matthew's

## Sunday March 26

### **Combined Service and Parish Meeting, 10.30am at St Michael's Kalorama.**

The Archbishop has mandated all Parishes to hold an election for the appointment of Lay Representatives for the 54th Synod of the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne. Our parish is required to elect 2 Lay Representatives and one Alternate Lay Representative. Please give your prayerful consideration for this very important role in the life of our church.

**Please bring something to share for lunch following the meeting.**

### **Parish Clean up Australia Day March 26**

You may remember that last year volunteers took part in clean up Australia Day.

We discussed this again at parish council this week and decided that we would encourage those who are able to join us to remain behind after the Combined service and meeting and spend an hour or so to do our bit to clean up our local community. Gloves and bags for collecting litter will be provided and we will aim to set off no later than 1.30pm.

Last year this proved to be a good witness to our community with a number of people asking who we were and feeling encouraged to see their local church at work in the community.

### **Jumbunna Lenten Talks**

#### **Bishop Paul Barker**

#### **Who is the prophet talking about?**



7.30pm Wed 22 March. Here is my Servant Isaiah. (Isa 42:1-12)

7.30pm Wed 29 March. The Servant's Mission. (Isa49:1-13; 50:4-11)

7.30pm Wed 5 April. The Servant Suffering. (Isa 52:13 - 53-12)

Emmanuel Anglican Church Oakleigh. 26 Abbeygate Rd Oakleigh.  
Speak to Andrew if you would like to attend.

## **Easter Services**

April 6, **Maundy Thursday** 7pm @ St Matthew's Olinda

April 7, **Good Friday** 10am @ St Matthew's Olinda  
and 3pm @ St Michael's Kalorama

Hot Cross buns and a cuppa to follow the service

April 9, **Easter**, 9am @ St Matthew's Olinda  
and 11am @ St Michael's Kalorama

Please bring small posies of flowers to decorate the Easter Cross.  
Easter Egg Hunt after both services



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# enLIGHTen



This morning we celebrate, Mothering Sunday or the fourth Sunday of Lent” In our Gospel lesson this morning John tells the story of Jesus healing of a man who was born blind.

For those of you who are Downtown Abbey or Jane Austen fans, Mothering Sunday was the one day of the year when the servants were given the whole day off to return home to their families and visit their Mother Churches. It was not unusual for them to return with gifts of money, flowers and cake to share with their families.

Unlike our modern Mother’s Day, Mothering Sunday was not so much about honouring mothers as it was about returning to your Mother church. Set in Lent, this would have reminded them of their childhood faith and opened their eyes once more to the gift of God’s love in his Son Jesus and reminded them of the need for them to turn to him rather than their families for strength and support. Like the servants of old, I pray that this season of Lent would open our eyes once more to our need to live lives focused on following Jesus.

Till next time. *Andrew*

## 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 for economic stability in the Banking sector following the turmoil of the past week.

- Pray for the people of Ukraine.
- Pray for the people of Malawi following the devastation of Cyclone Freddy earlier this week.
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem

**Local:** Pray for those affected by bushfires in NSW Victoria

- Pray for our local CFA Volunteers
- Pray for the unemployed and the homeless.
- Pray for the staff and students of our local schools
- Pray for those struggling with mental health issues.
- Pray for those who are elderly and or infirm.

**Parish:** Pray for opportunities to reach our community for Christ.

- Pray for the witness of our upcoming Easter Services
- Pray for our Bishop Paul Barker and our Archbishop Philip Freier.
- Pray for next week’s Combined Service and Parish meeting and for the Election of Synod Lay Representatives
- pray for the Incumbency Committee as they review our Parish Profile.
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need, John, Jeni, Rod, Pam, Steph and Kate.

**Birthday’s:** 12/3 Ian Patterson,

**Anniversaries:** 19/3 Athol Allwright, Margaret Doble, Viv Dawson, 20/3 Joan Pinner, 25/3 Joseph Burke

# Prayer Ministry

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



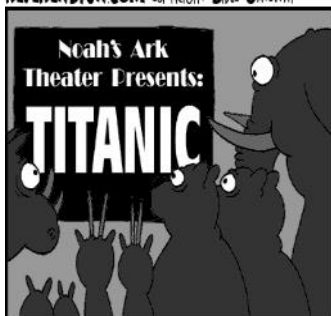
If you would like to join our group of intercessors please email Wendy Berry and let her know you would like your name added to the list.

## Readings for March 26 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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1st Reading	Ezekiel 37:1-14	704
Psalm	130	500
2nd Reading	Romans 8:6-11	919
Gospel	John 11:1-45	873

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## 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.

You can give anonymously through our Bendigo Bank account, either in a branch or online  
**BSB 633 000 Acc No. 142 668 417**

**Acc Name** Anglican Parish of Mt. Dandenong  
 For Reference, please include either

**MAT** for St. Matthew's or **MIC** for St. Michael's.

### **OFFERTORY UPDATE**

OCT 22- JAN23

BUDGET YTD

#### Offertory

Direct-ADF & Bank	5,120.00	6,668.00
Parish Giving	11,265.00	9,668.00
Plate	5,303.85	2,700.00

Total Offertory

21,688.85

19,036.00

## **CONTACT DETAILS**

Please direct all Ministry enquiries and other questions to the Vicar . (See front page for contact info)

or to our Church Wardens;

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Please note that Friday is Andrew's day off.