

Shine

November 12 2017: Pentecost 23



One church. Anglican Parish of Mt. Dandenong

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

All welcome. In Christ: Growing Caring Sharing

Give me oil in my lamp,



keep me burning.

Sentence: Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Matthew 24:42 - 44

Prayer of the week: 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,
so that when Christ, the bridegroom, comes
we may go out joyfully to meet him,
and enter with him into the marriage feast
that you have prepared for all who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings for Today

Please follow along in your pew Bible

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1st Reading	Josh 24:1-3a,14-25	187
Psalm	78: 1-7	301
2nd Reading	1Thes 4: 9-18	960
Gospel	Matt 25: 1-13	806

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



Dates for the Diary.

ST MICHAEL'S CUP DAY FAIR



Congratulations everyone and thank you for all your hard work.
This years total was \$16,589.90.

Saturday 18th November 9am - 4pm

Olinda Community House Car Boot Sale

Volunteers needed to help with transporting tables and tents setting up, stocking and staffing the stall. If any one is available to help, Hilary Mellis would love to hear from you. 97511886

Sunday 19th November



ENCOUNTER SERVICE 6PM AT St Michael's Hall

Tuesday 21st at 12.30pm

Friendship Lunch at Brunch.



RSVP to Carolyn on 9751 1436 by Mon. Nov. 20th.



Sunday November 26th

Anglican Parish of Mount Dandenong

Annual General Meeting

10am Combined Service at St Michael's, to be followed almost immediately afterwards with the AGM and Lunch in the hall. Please bring something to share.

Nomination Forms for the office of Church Warden or Parish Councillor are available at the back of each church. All nominees must be registered on the Parish electoral role.

Nominations must be in by 8am on Sunday the 19th of November

I KNOW WHO THE BRIDEGROOM IS, BUT WHAT DOES OIL SYMBOLIZE?



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THERE HAVE BEEN MANY THEORIES, BUT IT MIGHT NOT MATTER SINCE THE POINT IS LIFELONG READINESS.



THAT'S EASY FOR YOU TO SAY! YOU'VE NEVER BEEN CALLED (FOOLISH!



MATTHEW 25:1-13

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Jesus' story this morning about the wise and foolish bridesmaids is really a story about wise and foolish disciples, those who are ready, and those who are not.

Taken in its most literal form the parable suggests that half of those who sit in church are not prepared for Jesus to return. So what about you? Are you ready? Have you got enough oil to keep your lamp going? Or are you just winging it and hoping for the best?

It's not that oil for our lamps is hard to find. Through the Holy Spirit, and the words of the Bible, Jesus has given us all the oil we need to shine God's light in the world.

It's not that the foolish bridesmaids didn't have access to oil. They had the same chance to be prepared as did the others, but they failed to take the invitation seriously and in doing so missed out on the banquet. Like the ten bridesmaids Jesus calls us to be watchful and ready. So how about it? Are you ready? If your answer is no, you'd better make sure you are because Jesus is on his way and he could be here at any moment. The time for being ready is now!

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: Give thanks for the men and women of our Armed Forces who have given their lives in the service of their country.

- Pray for 1st Baptist Church Sutherland Springs Texas where 26 people were killed and many more injured during a mass shooting in their morning service last Sunday morning. (They usually have a congregation of about 50 on a Sunday)
- Pray for safety and humane treatment for refugees being relocated from Manus Island.
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.
- Pray for God's protection for Christians in places of danger.

Local: Pray for Godly wisdom for upper house of our State Parliament as it debates Assisted Dying Legislation . Pray that the sanctity of life would be honored and upheld.

- Pray for the values of Christian Marriage to be upheld in the marriage equality debate.
- Pray for those struggling with difficult and broken relationships
- Pray for opportunities to proclaim God's love to our community and to reach them with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Parish: Give thanks for a great result at the Cup Day Fair .

- Pray for Bethany Vaughn working with CMS in Cambodia.
- Pray for Cathryn Turnbull's father Peter who is suffering from chronic heart failure. Pray for Cathryn and the family also.
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; David O, Gwen, Henry D, Peter H, Peter T, Peter G, Hanne, Sue, Hillary, Guy, Glenis, Julie and baby Josiah.

Birthdays: 13/11 Jenny Simpson, 17/11 Norma Berry

Anniversaries: 13/11 Jack Blythe, 18/11 Alexander Mair, James Martin, Clive French

THIS WEEK @ LIGHT IN THE HILLS

Sun 12 Pentecost 23	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion @St Michael's Holy Communion & Sunday School @ St Matthew's Holy Communion @ St Michael's
Mon 13	10am	Art Group at St Matthew's Hall
Tues 14	10am - 11am	Marmadukes Christian Meditation @ St Michael's
Wed 15	10am 5pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion St Matthew's Prayer for the Hills Bible study at Five Ways Kalorama
Thurs 16	10.am 7pm	Bible study at Brunch Ladies Bible Study
Sun 19 Pentecost 24	8am 9.30am 11am 6pm	Holy Communion @St Michael's Holy Communion & Sunday School @St Matthew's Holy Communion @ St Michael's Encounter Service

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Psalm	123	361
2nd Reading	1Thes 5:1-11	960
Gospel	Matt 25:14-30	807

Pew Sheets Notices

If you have any notices for the pew sheet please email them to Andrew's attention by midday Thursday bandsmiths@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 @ Five Ways Gallery 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. Contact Marina on 0407 326 263

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