



One church: Anglican Parish of Mt. Dandenong

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

All welcome: In Christ: Growing, Sharing, Caring

Shine

St Matthew

September 20, 2015



Sentence: Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have come to call not the righteous, but sinners." Matthew 9:13

Prayer of the day:

Almighty God,
who through your Son Jesus Christ
called Matthew from the selfish pursuit of gain
to become an apostle and evangelist:
free us from all greed and love of riches
so that we may follow the steps of our Lord Jesus Christ
in the way of self giving love;
who lives 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	Proverbs 3:1-6	510
Psalm	116:1-6	346
2nd Reading	Ephesians 4:1-14	951
Gospel	Matthew 9:9-13	790



*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.

Monday September 21st

Hills Deanery Area Praise & Prayer Evening
At St Paul's Boronia 237 Dorset rd Boronia at 7.30pm.

Tuesday November 3rd

St Michael's Cup Day Fair 9am - 2pm

Saturday November 28th

St Michael's and All Angel's 75th Birthday
Please clear this weekend in your diaries
Plans so far include a 1940's dinner at Churinga and a combined service at St Michael's on the Sunday.

Messy Church

It's time to



3pm Sunday 29 Nov 2015
at St Michael's

Every day with Jesus.

Spare copies of the new current book 'Standing Strong' are available. The theme is on the need for Christians to be spiritually strong. If anyone would like to explore EDWJ they can have a copy without charge for the next 2 months. They just need to contact Heather on ph. 97281541



75th Anniversary Banners

The final stage of making the banner involves having it professionally quilted. If you would like to make a donation towards this and the cost of materials please place your donation in a marked envelope with the Sunday Offertory. Thank you to everyone for all your enthusiasm and support with this project. Beth, Norma, Glenys and Carolyn.



The Alpha Course.

Commences Every Thursday 7-9pm at St Michael's Hall
Alpha is a course for all those who would like to explore or renew their understanding of the Christian faith.

Please keep this very important course in your prayers and it is still not too late for you to come along. Please speak to Andrew if you are interested.

WANTED

Pictures or images of people and events of St Michael's over the last 75 years.

Please email to Andrew bandasmiths@gmail.com or leave clearly labelled in an envelope at church.

Remember to include your contact details if you require them to be returned to you



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In our Gospel lesson for today Jesus gives Matthew the simplest of invitations. "Follow me," (Matthew 9:9) he says to Matthew, and Matthew gets up from his tax collection booth in faith and follows. Sometimes when we hear Jesus' call we make the answer too hard, but becoming a follower of Jesus is really that easy! Matthew could have decided that it was too hard, or that he was not good enough, or that others were more deserving, but he doesn't. Instead he accepts the invitation, and allows the presence of Jesus in his life to transform him and make him good.

The Pharisees are indignant! What does he think he's doing calling someone as unworthy as that? But Jesus knows their hearts and answers them;

"I desire mercy and not sacrifice. For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners" ([Matthew 9:13](#))

Out of that same great love and mercy Jesus calls us too. The question we must ask ourselves is, will we make it all too hard? Or, will we respond in faith and follow?

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 all refugees and asylum seekers fleeing from conflict and persecution in their homelands. Pray particularly for the rapidly worsening refugee crisis in the EU zone.

- Pray for Christians suffering persecution for their faith.
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

Local: Pray for the frail and infirm members of our community

- Pray for our Prime Minister and for stability in our Government
- Pray for our the children and families of our local schools as they begin the school Holidays
- Pray for opportunities to share God's love with the many visitors to our community

Parish Pray for the Alpha course

- Pray that the Holy Spirit would be at work in the life and witness of our Parish
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; Ian, Bill, Rosemary, Bianca, Robbie, Lilly, Laura, Meg, and John.
- Pray for God's blessing and protection for Katrina Burge as she sets off this week to work in Turkey

Birthday's; 20/9 Ophelia Schmidt, 21/9 Les Dickson, 23/9 Ian Hartley, Veronica Kirsch, 25/9 Stephanie Rowe, David Barras

Anniversaries: 22/9 Irene Rowe, 23/9 Reginald Brown, Don Coxon, Elaine Coggins, 25/9 Dick Pidgeon, 26/9 Keith Skerman

The Coming Week

Sun 20 St Matthew	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion St Michael's Holy Communion St Matthew's Holy Communion at St Michael's
Mon 21	7.30pm	Deanery Prayer and Praise at St Paul's Boronia
Tues 22	10am	Marmaduke's St Matthew's
Wed 23	10am 5pm	Holy Communion St Matthew's Prayer for the Hills (Please note we have moved to a different day) St Matthew's
Thurs 24	10 am 7pm	Bible Study at Brunch. Alpha Course at St Michael's
Sun 27 St Michael	8am 9.30am	Holy Communion St Michael's Holy Communion & Sunday School St Matthew's

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1st Reading	Ezekiel 1:4-12	672
Psalm	138	369
2nd Reading	Revelation 12:7-12a	1001
Gospel	John 1:45-51	863

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 prayer requests to:

mtdandyparishprayer@y7mail.com

Pastoral Visiting Team

is available to visit and provide care within the Parish. Please speak to one of the Pastoral Care Contact people listed under Church contacts.

Bible Study Groups

Wed 7.45pm Weekly Bible Study at The Vicarage *In recess till after Alpha*
Ph. Andrew 9728 6353

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

7.45 pm *Younger Women every 2nd Thurs. In recess till after Alpha*
Contact Marina on 0407 326 263

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