



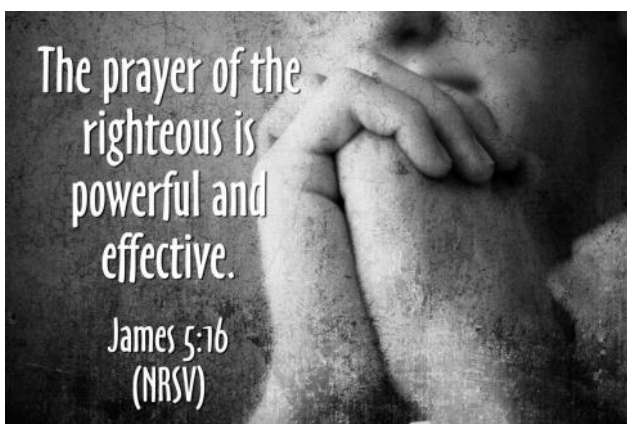
One church. Anglican Parish of Mt. Dandenong

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

All welcome. In Christ: Growing Caring Sharing

# Shine

September 25 2016, 19th Sunday after Pentecost  
St Michael and All Angels



**Sentence:** Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. James 5:16

**Prayer of the week:** O God,  
from whom light rises in the darkness for those who seek you:  
grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties,  
the grace to ask what you would have us do,  
that in your light we may see light,  
and in your narrow path may not stumble;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

	Readings for Today Please follow along in your Pew Bible.	page
1st Reading	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15	643
Psalm	91:1-6, 14-16	319
2nd Reading	1 Timothy 4:12-5:8	964
Gospel	Luke 16:19-31	851



*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 YOUR DIARY

## Tuesday September 27th Friendship Lunch

12.30pm at Brunch. RSVP to Jean Speagle by Mon. Sept. 26th.

## Pet Service - Sunday October 9

A service of thanksgiving for our animal friends.

Well behaved pets and their families welcome!

9.30am at Olinda  
and 11am at Kalorama



## Sunday October 16

3-5pm at St Michael's Hall Kalorama Messy Church is for everyone of all ages. A way of being church while having fun



### The Marriage Course

The Marriage Course is a series of seven sessions, designed to help couples invest in their relationship and build a strong marriage.

Talk to Andrew for more details  
Commencing 7pm. Tuesday October 4th at St Michael's Hall

On The Marriage Course, you are seated at your own table for two. Each session consists of food and/or drink, a practical talk and a time for private discussion between you and your partner.

**Sign up sheets available at the back of church from today**

**PS. Volunteers are need to assist with baby sitting and providing the meal.**

*Please let Andrew know if you can help.*

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## Sunday October 23rd

Visit by our CMS Link Missionaries John and Jill Morshead who will have completed their final term in Tanzania.

## OPEN DOOR LUNCH



The Mission and Outreach Task Group are looking for volunteers to help run an open door lunch of soup and a roll on a Saturday. We need about 12 - 14 people so each pair of volunteers only have to attend every 5 to 6 weeks.

## **CUP DAY FAIR DONATIONS WANTED**

We are currently looking for donations of items for the Cup Day Fair on November 1.

To donate a Raffle prize contact Joy Spencer on 97281106  
or for the Silent Auction contact Hillary Mellis on 97511886

### Giving Update for August

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

<u>Total Offertory for August</u>	<u>Monthly Target</u>	<u>Amount Over Target</u>
\$7682.00	\$7460.00	\$2,220.00
<u>Total YTD Oct 2015 - August 2016</u>	<u>Budget target</u>	<u>Shortfall</u>
\$72,948.60	\$82,060.00	\$9111.40
Budget for Year Oct 2015 - Sept 2016	\$89,520.00	

### The Vicar's day off

Andrew is available every day with the exception of Friday when he is unavailable unless in an emergency. Call 9728 6353

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## CHOOSE TO BE MERCIFUL

In our Gospel reading this week Jesus tells us the story of two men - a rich man and a beggar named Lazarus. The rich man lived an extravagant life as rich men usually do. Meanwhile Lazarus in his poverty lay suffering outside the gate of his house, but his cries for help fell on deaf ears and he received no sympathy from the rich man.

This week is also the time when the church celebrates the feast of St Michael and all the Angels or Michaelmas. Michael the Archangel isn't a saint, but rather is an

angel, and the leader of all angels and of the army of God. This is what the title "Archangel" means, that he is above all the others in rank. He is best known in the scriptures in the book of Revelation where he leads the heavenly armies out to defeat Satan. From scripture and Christian tradition St. Michael has four main responsibilities or offices, The first is to combat Satan. The second is to escort the faithful to heaven at their hour of death. The third is to be a champion of all Christians, and the Church itself. And the fourth is to call men from life on Earth to their heavenly judgment.

But back to Jesus' story . Eventually both of our characters die. Lazarus is escorted by the angels (possibly St Michael) up to heaven while our rich man winds up in a much less pleasant and far ,far hotter place where he cries out for Lazarus to be sent to help him. Even in death it seems our rich friend can't think about anyone but himself.

Some people see this story as a story about death and judgement for rich people. But it really is a story about how we should live our life. The rich man is not punished for being rich but rather for his unwillingness to be merciful to someone in need. Last week Jesus warned the Pharisees to learn the meaning of being merciful. This week he shows them what happens to those who are not. In the same way Jesus commands us as his followers to live as people who practice love and mercy. And each time we do his kingdom is revealed and God is glorified.

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 the civilians caught up in the crossfire of the renewed bombing of Aleppo. Pray for a return to the ceasefire and for much needed aid to reach communities in need

- Pray for refugees and all those who are victims of conflict and war.
- Pray for Christians facing persecution in many parts of the world
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem

**Local:** Pray for those affected by the floods in New South Wales

- Pray for the staff and students of our local schools as they enjoy the term break.
- Pray for safe travel on the roads in the holiday season.
- Pray for the Holy institution of Marriage and for the church to have a clear voice and witness in the debate over marriage equality

**Parish** Pray for our link missionaries John and Jill Morshead

- Pray for Catherine Turnbull in Myanmar.
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; Henry and Jean, Benji, Monica, Hanne, Baby Luotta, Steph, Frank, Beth H and Peggy's father in America.

**Birthdays:** 23/9 David Gerrand, 25/9 Steph Rowe, David Barras

**Anniversaries:** 25/9 Dick Pidgeon, 26/9 Kieth Skerman, 1/10 Francis Calcutt, Veronica Henry

# The Coming Week

<b>Sun 25 Pentecost 19</b>	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion at St Michael's Holy Communion & Sunday school at St Matthew's Holy Communion and Baptism at St Michael's.
<b>Tuesday 26</b>	10am	No Marmaduke's this week
<b>Wednesday 27 St Matthew</b>	10am 5pm	Holy Communion, St Matthew's Prayer for the Hills. Unit 1, Rhodoglade Village, 1502 Mt Dandenong Tourist Rd
<b>Thursday 21</b>	10am	Bible Study at Brunch.
<b>Sun 2 Pentecost 20</b>	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion at St Michael's Holy Communion at St Matthew's Baptism with Holy Communion at St Michael's



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2nd Reading	2 Timothy 1:1-14	966
Gospel	Luke 17:1-10	852

## 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](http://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](mailto: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**

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

**Thursday** 7.45 pm *Younger Women every 2nd Thurs.*  
Contact Marina on 0407 326 263

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