



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 4 2016, 16th Sunday after Pentecost



**Sentence:** Whoever does not carry the cross and follow Jesus cannot be his disciple. Luke 14:27

**Prayer of the week:** God of the ages,  
you call your church to keep watch in the world  
and to discern the signs of the times:  
grant us the wisdom that your Spirit bestows,  
so that with courage we may proclaim your prophetic word,  
and complete the work you have set before us;  
through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ  
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 18:1-11	629
Psalm	139:1-5, 12-18	370
2nd Reading	Philemon 1-25	970
Gospel	Luke 14:25-35	850



*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



## Saturday September 10 — Movie Night

(The famous one about chariots and fire!)

6pm at St Michael's Hall . Bring something to share for tea!



## Tuesday September 13

Parish council 8pm at St Matthew's Hall

## Friday 16th September 7pm

Parish Dinner at St Michael's Hall.

St Michael's people bring a main course and St Matthew's a dessert.

Sign up sheets at the back of church

## Saturday September 24

Men's fellowship breakfast . 8.30am at St Michael's Hall

## 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 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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## 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 July

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 July</u>	<u>Monthly Target</u>	<u>Short fall</u>
\$5199.00	\$7460.00	\$2,261.00
<u>Total YTD Oct 2015 - July 2016</u>	<u>Budget target</u>	<u>Shortfall</u>
\$65,266.40	\$74600.00	\$9334.00
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

# enLIGHTen

## THE COST OF BEING A DISCIPLE



In our Gospel reading this week, Jesus has some hard words to say to the large crowds who have flocked to see him. Words that perhaps we too may sometimes need to be reminded of. *“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.”* Luke 14:26-27 His words may seem to be harsh but that is only because he is looking for disciples and not fans. Jesus is recruiting workers for the kingdom and the invitation comes at a cost.

His requirement to hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself shocks us. Yet that is only because even the greatest love that we may have for our loved ones and our life, falls so far short of the love that he has given us and requires of us. It is only in our willingness to give up everything that we can truly be all that he has called us to be. Nothing must get in the way if we are truly to be as salt and light in the world around us. Only then are we truly worshipping him.

People often talk to me about what they think is the best way to worship Jesus. But these conversations are usually more about style than they are about worship. Jesus calls us to worship him in Spirit and in truth, to give him our all and hold nothing back. St Paul puts it this way, *“Present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-what is good and acceptable and perfect.”* Romans 12:1-2  
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:** Continue to pray for those affected by the Italian earthquake and also for those affected by the hurricane in Florida

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

**Local:** Pray for the witness of the local churches in our community.

- Pray for the homeless members of our community and the work of agencies such as Anglicare, Concern and the Salvation Army.
- Pray for the frail and elderly members of our community
- Pray for our local CFA volunteer brigades at Olinda and Kalorama

**Parish:** Pray for those thinking about joining the Marriage Course

- Pray for our link missionaries John and Jill Morshead
- Pray for Catherine Turnbull in Myanmar.
- Pray for the new initiatives being made by the mission and outreach taskgroup.
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; Guy, Hanne, Dick, Baby Luotta, Carolyn, Steph, Penelope, Frank, Beth H and the Tromp family from Silvan

**Birthdays:** 6/9 Jeanette Drummond

**Anniversaries:** 5/9 Edward Thurley, Joyce Simondson, 6/9 Helen Dixon, Marcia Dawson, 9/9 Jim Heading

# The Coming Week

<b>Sun 4 Pentecost 15</b>	8am 9.30am 11am 5pm	BCP Holy Communion at St Michael's followed by breakfast Holy Communion & Sunday school at St Matthew's Morning Prayer St Michael's. Healing service at St Michael's
<b>Tuesday 6</b>	10am	Marmaduke's at St Matthew's
<b>Wednesday 7</b>	10am 5pm	Holy Communion, St Matthew's Prayer for the Hills. Unit 1, Rhodoglade Village, 1502 Mt Dandenong Tourist Rd
<b>Thursday 8</b>	10am	Bible Study at Brunch.
<b>Saturday 10</b>	10am 6pm	Building committee at St Michael's Parish film night at St Michael's
<b>Sun 11 Pentecost 17</b>	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion St Michael's Holy Communion and Sunday School at St Matthew's Holy Communion at St Michael's

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2nd Reading	1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-19a	963
Gospel	Luke 15:1-10	850

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

**Thursday** *Younger Women every 2nd Thurs.*  
7.45 pm 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.**

## CONTACTS

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