



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 9, 2018 Pentecost 16



Sentence: So speak and so act as those who are to be judged according to the law of liberty James 2:13

Prayer of the day

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase our faith, hope and love,
and, that we may receive all that you promise,
make us love what you command;
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		page
Please follow along in your pew Bible		
1st Reading	Prov 22.1-2, 8-9, 22-23	527
Psalm	125	361
2nd Reading	James 2.1-17	981
Gospel	Mark.7.24-37	819

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*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*



Dates for the Diary.

Thank you to Rev'd Doug Wilson for taking our services this Morning so that Andrew and the family can celebrate his father's 80th Birthday in Geelong



Saturday September 8th

WORKING BEE

8am at St Matthew's



Sunday September 30th 10.30am

**Light in the Hills Combined Service
at St Matthew's Olinda**

Koinonia Lunch to follow. Please bring something to share

Sunday September 30th

Michaelmas Evensong
5pm at St Michael's Kalorama
All Welcome

Friday October 12th

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

Volunteers needed to help with setting up at 9.30am

The Marriage Course

The
Marriage
Course

Is it time to **invest in**
your relationship?

**(The course runs for 8 weeks in St Michael's Hall.
commencing on Tuesday October 9th)**

(Room for seven couples only so get in early!)

Contact: David or Sue Gerrand for more details

Parish Rosters

It is time once again to prepare the next lot of rosters for October - December and we are always looking for new volunteers to help on the rosters at either St Matthew's, St Michael's or both.

So whether it be reading at one of the services, helping with the welcome and sides persons job, flowers, morning tea, gardening, music anything else please let Andrew know before Monday September 10th.

Drought Relief

Following the service this morning we are having a special offering in support of Anglican Aid and the Diocese of Armadale's Drought relief appeal.

Those wishing to donate online can do so at the following link; <https://www.thankq.net.au/donate/V400/Donate1.aspx?ref=5856389756&pid=147> or by going to the Anglican Aid Website

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In our Gospel reading today Jesus lays hands on a deaf man and prays “Ephphatha”, that is, ‘Be opened’ and immediately the deaf man is healed. The crowds are astounded beyond measure, saying, ‘He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.’ The irony is that although the deaf man has been healed, many of those in the crowd still fail to hear what Jesus is saying to them. Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it.

Do you ever wonder how often it is that Jesus might speak to us and we might fail to

hear. Like the crowds in Jesus day, it is so easy for us to get caught up wanting Jesus to do things our way, that we forget to listen to what he is actually asking of us. In Mark 8:34 Jesus says, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.”

James takes up this message as well this morning as he challenges us to put our faith into practice. “Faith by itself, if it has no action, is dead.” James

2:17 Only when we fully allow ourselves to be open to the work of the Holy Spirit with us then can we truly be faithful to all that Jesus is calling us to be. So perhaps Jesus’ prayer for the deaf man should also be our prayer for our own hearing along with our hearts and minds. “Ephphatha”, Lord may my heart be open to your call. Pray it with me if you dare and see the good things that God has planned for us. Amen!

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 people in Japan who were affected by both a severe typhoon and an earthquake this past week. Pray for those who have lost homes and loved ones

- Pray for peace in the Middle East
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.
- Pray for God’s protection for all Christians in places of danger.

Local: Pray for more rain in drought affected regions of the country and continue to pray for ongoing relief from the effects of the drought. Pray for our farmers and all those suffering from the resulting hardship.

- Pray for our new PM Scott Morrison and for stable and responsible Government.
- Pray for opportunities to reach out to new people who have come to live in our community.
- Pray for those who struggle with the effects of asthma and hayfever in this early spring season of the year

Church: Pray for our Archbishop Phillip and for our Suffragan Bishops Genieve, Paul, Phillip and John

- Pray for our brothers and sisters from other local churches, including St Clare’s, Kennon Uniting and St George’s Monbulk
- Pray for a fresh outpouring of God’s Spirit upon his church.
- Pray for Bethany Vaughan our CMS missionary in Cambodia
- Pray for the Marriage Course beginning on October
- Pray for all those suffering from sickness, sorrow or any other need including; Hilary, Pam, Joan, Peter A, Harold, David O, Henry D, Hanne, Sue and Colin O
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Birthday’s: 11/9 Mike Liles, 12/9 Max Travis

Anniversaries: 9/9 Jim Heading, 12/9 Florence Allwright, Elsie Collier, 14/ 9 Bodil Griggs

THIS WEEK @ LIGHT IN THE HILLS

Sunday 9	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion @ St Michael's Holy Communion and Sunday School @ St Matthew's Holy Communion @ St Michael's
Monday 10	7.30pm	Table Tennis at St Michael's Hall
Tuesday 11	10am 11am	Marmadukes Christian Prayer and Meditation @ St Michael's Hall
Wednesday 12	10am 7.30pm	Holy Communion @ St Matthew's Bible Study @ the Gallery
Thursday 13	10am 7.pm	Bible Study @ Brunch Ladies Bible Study
Saturday 15	8am	Working Bee at St Matt's
Sunday 16	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion @ St Michael's Holy Communion and Sunday School @ St Matthew's Holy Communion @ St Michael's

Readings for September 16		page
Pentecost 17		
1st Reading	Proverbs 1.20-33	509
Psalm	19	239
2nd Reading	James 2.18-26	981
Gospel	Mark 8.27-38	820

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.



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.
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