

some and share with family, friends and/or neighbours.

Bible Study Group - Wednesday

The Bible Study group which meets on Wednesdays following the morning service, has a study book available if anyone would like to join the group in the next term.

The study for the next term is 1&2 Peter and Jude, by Carolyn Nystrom, cost \$11.50. This group meets in the Cooper Centre with discussion and coffee immediately following the Wednesday church service. If you are interested, please speak to Wendy Leggett or Eleanor or Ross Newcombe.

On line services

At the time of today's live-streamed service (10AM), or after, please use this:

<https://youtube.com/channel/UCwvuRjxqlX4njbrwZJBqNXQ/live>

Online Giving

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Rosters

Today - Sep 25

Combined service

Next Sunday -

Oct 2

8.30AM - Holy Communion (live)

Sides Person

Gwen Wilson

Reader

Gwen Wilson

Communion

Rosemary Martin

AV Tech

N/A

9.30AM - Holy Communion

10AM - Holy Communion (live)

Sides Person Isuru Perera

Barbara Canty

Reader Lyn Beaumont

Jill Baker

Prayer Eleanor Newcombe

Terry Nisbet

Communion Jean / Rosemary

S & T Nisbet

PowerPoint Ross Newcombe

Stephanie Hogg

Video Tech Anthony Lyons/ David Packianathan

Anthony Lyons/ David Packianathan

Morning Tea Jill / Stephanie

Mayva Paterson

Counter Terry Nisbet

Stephanie Hogg

Anthony Lyons

Jill Baker

Readings

Pentecost 17:

Lamentations 1:1-6; Ps 137; 2 Tim 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

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Saint John's - Bentleigh

25 September 2022 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
"godliness with contentment"

Welcome to
Saint John's
today

9.30AM - Combined Holy Communion (live-streamed)

Flowers
arranged by
Gwen Wilson

Today's Readings:

Jeremiah 32:1-3, 6-15; 1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31

Please take
this with you
when you go

Hymns:

9.30AM: as displayed on the TV screens in Church

Sentence for 25 September 2022

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ... (1 Timothy 6:6)

Collect:

O God, from whom light rises in 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**

Wednesday Holy Communion Service

This Wednesday (28/9), the eve of Michael and All Angels, we will be exploring Philip's simple invitation "come and see".

Bible readings are from Daniel 7:9-14, Psalm 138, Revelation 12:7-12, and John 1:45-51. The sentence is from John 1:46 - "Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.'"

This Week's Calendar

- Tuesdays - see list on the notice board: *Meet and Greet with Santa & Julia, reserve your spot today*
- Tuesday, 7:45PM, Narthex: *St John's Garden Club*
- Wednesday, 10.30AM: *Holy Communion*
- Wednesday, 1PM: *Orana*
- Thursday, 12.30PM, the Bentleigh RSL: *St John's Munchers*

Today - Combined Service at 9.30AM

Today is a special celebration to give thanks and celebrate Ken Newell's music ministry at St John's. St John's recognises and appreciates Ken's long-standing contributions at the organ. Revd Alex Scutt will preach today

♪ Thank you to Ken Newell ♪
for his music ministry at St John's
for so many decades.



'To be a centre of God's love and hope in Bentleigh & Bentleigh East'

From the Vicar's study:

- DURING** the mid-week service, we reflected on Matthew (also known as Levi), an apostle, an evangelist and a martyr. But before Matthew became any of these, he was a tax collector. As the way tax collectors practiced their profession openly defied the Law of Moses, they were considered as religious outsiders. What did Jesus see in Matthew to invite him to join an approximately three-year 24/7 intensive training program and who later was transformed into a lifelong disciple of Jesus? One could never know for certain but the invitation by Jesus was intentional and wasn't a mistake. What we do know about Matthew is that he was a sinner just like us all! Most importantly, we know that Matthew accepted the invitation of Jesus immediately and then followed him throughout his life! While there could be other times when the invitation to follow Christ could be delivered to us, I believe the invitation to follow Jesus was formally presented at our baptism/confirmation.
On acceptance of this invitation, we are to *"lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love"* (Ephesians 4.4-2). At the same time, we are to trust in the Lord at all times, while remaining loyal and faithful to the Lord (Proverbs 3.3, 5). In trust, just keep on following the Lord!
- PARISH** Council (PC) met on 20 September and we began to explore a study on **"How to turn around a church."** This study is based on Revelation 2.1-3.22—the seven letters to the churches in Asia Minor.
- PARISH** Council (PC) has organised a **free training session** for the use of the defibrillator at 10AM on Saturday 8 October 2022. Please inform the PC secretary (Rosemary Martin) if you wish to attend this training session in the Cooper Centre.
- IN** preparation of full utilisation of the Pickford Hall for various events, **PC agreed to purchase 100 sets of crockery** (including 150 soup/dessert bowls) for the new kitchen. The cost would be approximately \$1,000. While some of the cost associated to this purchase will be partially subsidised by an external source, parishioners are welcome to make their contribution using envelopes marked **"Parish Crockery."** Thanks for your contribution.
- WITH** regret, I notify the parish that Cindy Putari, our parish administrator for the past 4.5 years, has tendered her resignation. Cindy has accepted a fulltime position elsewhere. Cindy's final day in the parish is being worked out due to any accrued annual leave but it is anticipated to be around 14th October or earlier. On behalf of the parish, I have conveyed our thanks to Cindy for her excellent work in the parish office, her careful and subtle pastoral care of everyone who visited or called the parish office. Personally, I am thankful for her wise advice to me when I began as Vicar in the parish. Farewell proceedings are still being finalised but any donations (marked as **"Cindy"**) for a farewell gift will be gratefully accepted. Please keep Cindy, her family and the parish in your prayers during this time of transition.

With prayers & blessings

Santa ☺

Soli Deo Gloria!

Praying for the church and for the world

- The Anglican Church of Burundi (Bp Sixbert Macumi); The Diocese of Armidale (Bp Rod Chiswell, Clergy & People); St Stephen's Gardenvale (Paul Carr, Elsa Carr); City on a Hill Geelong (Andrew Grills, Lynette Pearson, Peter Taylor, Luke Nelson);
- Praise God for all who are joining us today (face-to-face and/or online).
- For God's wisdom, patience and compassion on leaders at all levels of government and in society, for all medical staff as they care for the sick & dying due to COVID19 and/or other illnesses.
- For our link missionaries—Derek & Rosemary Snibson - praying for their ongoing spiritual sustenance & discernment amidst the daily demands from people and aspects of ministry.
- For God's mercy, grace and peace upon all communities in Australia and in the world, affected by wars and/or civil unrest (Ukraine, Yemen, Syria, Sri Lanka, Middle East, Myanmar), flooding (Pakistan & Europe) in Pakistan), all who have been injured or tragically killed (& their loved ones) due to these circumstances.
- For all who need God's special touch of healing, comfort and peace, remembering those we name privately in our heart, and those in the parish prayer list: Twani, Samia, Manal, Ben, Graham, Russell, Alison, Jo, Frank, Carol, Jim, and those listed but do not wish to be named and all we remember privately.
- Praise & thank God for all who are recovering from illness and/or all who have recovered.
- Thank God for the life of Prue Grieve.

St John's Garden Club

The garden club will meet this Tuesday (27/9) at 7.45PM at St John's. Need some advice on gardening? Come and chat to the friendly people at St John's Garden Club.

Orana - This Wednesday (28/9)

Orana invites everyone who would like an opportunity to purchase the varied goods on offer from the *Leprosy Mission*, (catalogues have been available in the Narthex) to join us on Wednesday, 28th September, at 1.00PM. The *Leprosy Mission* people will bring with them a wide variety of goods, from Christian books, toys, beauty products, some featuring Australian plant products, the Blue wren tea-towel and apron, colourful umbrellas and many other items. They probably have a wider variety of goods than those shown in the catalogue. They will chat to us, but there is no special speaker with them, this time.

St John's Munchers

The Munchers will meet on Thursday (29/9) at 12.30PM at the Bentleigh RSL. Please contact Ross Newcombe (0414 988 923) to reserve your spot.

Sunday 9 October - First Concert of Spring concert celebration

The McKinnon Secondary College music groups will perform on **Sunday, 9 October at 2PM** here at St John's. This is a Spring Celebration concert sponsored by the City of Glen Eira. Tickets are now available on TryBooking (<https://www.trybooking.com/CCKFX>). Flyers are available, please take