

ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA WEST & THE WARBYS AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY 22—NOVEMBER 6TH 2022

11 November: Martin, Bishop of Tours, c.397

Martin was born at Sabara (now in Hungary), and by family tradition was forced to follow his father into the army. He served as a cavalry officer under the Emperors Constantius and Julian. A man of charity, he was noted for his good works while still in the army. He was said to have seen a vision of Christ in a naked beggar to whom he gave half his cloak. According to Sulpicius Severus, his biographer, Martin was so moved by this vision that he sought baptism. Martin struggled to reconcile his faith with his military position, and eventually became convinced that his faith prevented him continuing his role as a soldier. 'I am Christ's soldier; I am not allowed to fight.' This refusal to fight, on grounds of conscience, led to his imprisonment for the remainder of his term of service. He left the army in 356, at the age of 20.

Martin spent time as a hermit on the island of Gallinara, and also travelled, until in 360 he entered the monastery in Poitiers. Under the care of Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Martin led a community of ascetics, and became Bishop of Tours in 371, a position that he did not seek. Martin was not an intellectual but a visionary, a rough character and a man of action. The role of bishop gave him opportunities to preach the gospel and to confront injustice. Martin worked where he was able, and brought Christianity to regions of Gaul where the gospel had not previously been preached. He was prepared to travel by whatever means necessary to reach the outlying areas of his region. This led to his being held in great affection by those he went to meet. For 25 years Martin worked in the Loire region of Gaul. He was known as a missionary, founding many churches and monasteries and removing pagan shrines, sometimes forcibly, in both rural and urban areas. His reputation as a wonder-worker spread as he healed the sick and fought for the poor and oppressed. Martin was not averse to prophetic action, using symbolic acts to counter injustice and to proclaim the gospel.

He was widely acclaimed in life and death as the story of his life, written before his death, spread his reputation far and wide. He was one of the first non-martyrs to be venerated as a saint.

[The devil said to him] 'Wherever you go, or whatever you attempt, the devil will resist you.' Then Martin, replying to him said 'The Lord is my helper; I will not fear what man can do unto me.' Upon this his enemy immediately vanished out of his sight.

Sulpicius Severus: Life of St Martin, Ch. 5

Ladies Fellowship—Thursday 10th November @ 2pm

Please join us for afternoon tea at St Michael's Hall— Margaret Gibson will offer some highlights of her recent excursion to UK and Austria.

It will be a good opportunity for others to share their holiday experiences as well.



<u>Artisan Market</u>—What an absolutely wonderful day it was! Thanks to the willing workers the whole day went off very well, we were blessed with a fantastic day, thanks to the prayers of so many spring finally arrived just in time! The organising committee had everything in hand; so many contributed to the cake stall; the BBQ and Crepes were very popular, as was the morning tea—we could not have asked for anything better. So many came, the atmosphere was very festive. A big clap for everyone, the cooperation was fantastic, we could have asked for anything better!

Approximately \$4,500 was raised! Full report at the APM.

<u>Loaves and Fishes:</u> All non-perishable items are much appreciated and for September particularly:

- Vegemite ◆ 2 Minute Noodles ◆ Cup-a-Soup
- Chunky soup tinned Fruit Jam
- Pasta Sauce Rolled Oats Sweet Biscuits.

Your generosity is very much appreciated.



Fr Matthew Healy is being Inducted into the Parishes of Beechworth and Yackandandah on Saturday 26th November at 2.3pm, and we are all invited A great opportunity to welcome Fr Matthew back into the Diocese!

The Date of the **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** is Sunday November 27th 2022 at 11.00am in St. Michael's Church Hall, Wangaratta.

Using the Forms provided and none other,
Nominations for Parish Councillor (4 positions to be filled).
Parochial Nominator (3) Supplementary Parochial Nominator (3).
Synod Lay Representative (2) and Supplementary Representatives (2).
ARE TO BE GIVEN TO THE VICAR BY WEDNESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2022.

WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS	
Monday 7th November Psalm 98; Haggai 2. 10-19; 2 Peter 1. 16-21	
Tuesday 8th	Saints, martyrs, missionaries and teachers of the Anglican Communion Psalm 20, 21. 1-7; Haggai 2. 20-23; 2 John 1. 1-13 9.00am Pangerang Community House —St Michael's
Wednesday 9th	Psalm 22. 1-22; Zechariah 8. 1-17; John 5. 19-29 9.30am Craft Group—St Michael's Hall. 2.00pm, Bible Study—St Michael's Hall. 4.00pm Eucharist @ St Michael's Titus 3. 1-7. Psalm 23. Luke 17. 11-19
Thursday 10th	Leo of Rome, bishop and teacher (d 461) Palm 25; Isaiah 57. 14-21; Romans 1. 18-25
Friday 11th	Martin, bishop of Tours (d. c. 387) Remembrance Day—1918 Psalm 28, 29; Isaiah 59. 1-15a; 2 Thessalonians 1. 3-12
Saturday 12th	Charles Simeon, evangelist (d 1836) Isaiah 12; Isaiah 59. 15b-21; Luke 17. 20-37
Sunday November 13th—The 23rd Sunday After Pentecost {OS 33} 9.30am Eucharist @St. Michael's, Wangaratta 11.00am Eucharist @St Paul's, Glenrowan Readings for 13th November {OS 33} Isaiah 65. 17–25. Isaiah 12 (page 391). 2 Thessalonians 3. 6–13. Luke 21.5–19.	

Prayer of the week—pray each day this week

Blessed Lord, you have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that, by patience and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

- Lectionary for 2023 is now available from the Cathedral Bookshop—\$16.00 each
- Diocesan Advent Quiet Day
 —Saturday 19th November, 2022. Topic: St Joseph.
 Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Yackandandah (8 Church St). <u>Bookings (by 16 Nov.):</u>
 Scott 0418 254 158; email: chaplain@wangaratta-anglican.org.au

Sunday 7th November—After Pentecost 23 (OS 32)

- ◆ The World: Oceania: French Polynesia, Kanaky, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu.
- Australia: National agencies of relief and welfare.
 Emergency workers esp. Fire Brigades, SES, Police Forces,
 Ambulance Services. Volunteer emergency organisations.
- ◆ The Church in Australia: Lutheran Church.
- Anglican Church of Australia: The Diocese of Brisbane: Archbishop Phillip Aspinall (*Christa*). <u>Regional Bishops</u>: Jeremy Greaves (*Josie*), Cameron Venables (*Kate*), John Roundhill (*Frances*). Clergy and people. Society of the Sacred Advent. Society of St Francis, Annerley.
- Our Diocese: Bp Clarence Bester (Michelle & family).
 The Parochial District of Mansfield: Farewelling P-i-C: Catie Inches-Ogden, and preparing to welcome next Vicar at the end of November.
 the Parish leaders and communities at: Mansfield & Jamieson.
- Our Parish. Pray that plans for the Parish Office may get approval soon.
- ◆ Those in Need: Vi Bussell. Dot Adams. Jayne Jarrad. Neliya Don Leonard. Nina Colson. Bronwyn. Josef. Kaye McKenzie. Kate Jessup. John Parkes. Robert Whalley. Nancy Backlund, Ross Backlund
- ◆ Year's Mind: 30th October—5th November [6/11] Laurence Denton, Mary Byrn. [8/11] Joseph Peterson [9/11] Beatrice Hill, Ron Townsend, Alf Wilcox. [12/11] "Freda" Francis. Raymond Wason.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

The Date of the **St. Michael's LOCAL ANNUAL MEETING**is Sunday 6th November 2022
at the conclusion of worship on that day, in St. Michael's Church.
The Date of the **St. George's LOCAL ANNUAL MEETING**is Sunday 20th November 2022
at the conclusion of worship on that day, in St. George's Church.
The Date of the **St. Paul's LOCAL ANNUAL MEETING**is Sunday 20th November 2022
at the conclusion of worship on that day, in St. Paul's Church.
Using the Forms provided and none other,
Nominations for the Election of Churchwardens
at the **LOCAL ANNUAL MEETINGS** are to given to the Vicar by Wednesday 16th November 2022 for **St. George's and St. Paul's.**