



ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA
PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA WEST & THE WARBYS

Feast of Mary, Mother of Our Lord

13th August 2023

It's a good and holy practice to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Our Lord, whose feast day is Wednesday 15th August. And who we honour and celebrate in our Masses this morning. In the Roman Church, our sisters and brothers likewise honoured Mary, with the day focusing on her Assumption. An interesting dogma, and worth considering. Like all Saints, myth and symbolism surround the holy person, and it's hard to work out the myth from the history. Perhaps there's no need! Christians of the great Catholic Church, made up of Anglicans, Roman Catholics and the Eastern Orthodox, have always honoured Mary, as the Mother of God, and the human vehicle, whereby God could redeem humanity through the incarnation of God's son, Jesus. Mary was honoured by her son, Jesus, at the foot of the Cross, and we can do likewise.

Rather than be a focus of disunity between Christians of the Catholic and Protestant expressions of Christianity, I see Blessed Mary as a focus of unity, binding us all together, as Mother of the Church. Whether Christians focus on the Bible or the Sacraments, or like Anglicans, holding the two in balance, Mary has much to teach us as an exemplar of devotion to God, who in her "yes", co-operated in the Salvation of the World. She truly opened her heart to God, took a risk in her journey of faith, entering the unknown in a way that had a remarkable outcome: life for all people, in the son that she gave. In this way, Mary sets an agenda for us to emulate, and to open ourselves, in every way, co-operating with Our Lord in sharing the gospel of salvation, so the World may come to believe.

Revd Lynda



A very warm welcome to Reverend Maureen Beattie today, we are delighted to have you with us, and we trust you will enjoy leading the services at St Michael's and St Paul's.

Father's Day Raffle

6 hampers

1st prize includes a \$300 watch, \$40 Flynn's voucher & a lovely pouch, and a book by Richie Benaud.

- Raffle drawn on Fathers Day
- Books of tickets available today, please take one or two books to sell.



Thank you all who donated to the raffle—greatly appreciated.

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If you can assist by sitting and selling tickets in Appin Street, please see Suzie Don Leonard or Carol Furs, they will be delighted with your offer.

Thank to all who have been sitting in the cold! The funds raised are much needed to keep our parish financial, as you all are aware, heating costs are rising, and if we wish to keep our church and hall warm, we have to pay for it!

Fr Neil and Sue are away for the next 2 weeks, if you have any queries or urgent matters, please ring Margaret Gibson 0428 276255 and it will be referred on to the appropriate channel.

Fr Neil returns to parish duties on 22nd August.

Pangerang is using St Michael's Hall every Tuesday and is offering

8am-9am - Kids & Families breakfast club - free

10am-12noon - Free digital support sessions/Be Connected, targeted at people aged over 50

And in August

1pm-3pm - Men's cooking program FREE

4.00-5:30pm - Kids cooking program FREE.

Please let anyone know whom you think could be interested in these programs and - Monthly Tuesday Community Dinners more about this soon.

Pangerang will be looking for volunteers to help with various programmes on Tuesdays, - breakfast, cooking classes etc. If you feel you could offer a few hours once or twice month please let Margaret know, and when more details are available you will be contacted. Working with Children and Police checks are mandatory, and can be arranged if you do not have either of these .

WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY, 14th August 2023

Deuteronomy 10; 12-22, Ps 147: 12-20, Matthew 17, 22-27

TUESDAY, 15th - Mary Mother of our Lord

Isaiah 61: 10-62.3, Ps 133 or Song of Mary, Galations 4:4-7,
Luke 2: 2-7

8.00am, Pangerang @ St Michael's Hall

WEDNESDAY, 16TH

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12, Ps 66: 1-8, Matthew 18: 15-20
9.30am Craft Group—St Michael's Hall.

THURSDAY, 17th

Joshua 3: 7-17, Ps 114: Matthew 18: 21-19-1
9.30am, Morning Prayer — St. Michael's.
Ps 106: 1-24, 2 Samuel 19: 8b-23
10.15am, morning tea and Bible Study—Hall.

FRIDAY, 18th

Joshua 24: 1-13, Ps 136: 23-36, Matthew 19: 3-12

SATURDAY, 19th

Joshua 24: 1-13, Ps 16: 5-11, Matthew 19: 13-15

SUNDAY 20th {OS 20}

Genesis 45:, 1-15, Ps 133, Romans 11; 13-32, (33-36) Matthew
15: 10-28

Loaves and Fishes - Christians Caring

All non-perishable items are appreciated, particularly the following:

Sweet and Savoury biscuits, jams, tomato and BBQ sauce, tinned peas and beans, chunky soup, cuppa soup, shampoo and conditioner



The World & Australia We pray that those people who seek their ends by violent means, however expressed, may have their hearts turned to love.
We pray that people who have been traumatised and damaged may find help and healing.

Anglican Church of Australia Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia
Aboriginal Clergy and People Bishop Chris McLeod, (*Susan*)
Lord God, bring us together as one, different in culture, but given new life in Jesus Christ, together as your body, your Church, your people.

The Diocese of Wangaratta **RURAL COMMUNITIES**
We give thanks and pray for: our rural communities, as services to them seem to be continually withdrawn practical and creative ways to be found to assist struggling parishes in rural areas
God's enabling that we may become the church we are called to be, as part of rural Australia.

Parishes **The Parochial District of Cobram** Priest in Charge: Victor Adams (*Elizabeth*) (*Ruth; Nathan*) the Parish leaders and community at: St Margaret's, Cobram
North West Deanery
The St Aidan's Op Shop—Strathmerton

- ◆ **Those in Need:** Vivienne S. Melanie. Bob C. Warren G. Neliya Don Leonard. Wayne. Vi Bussell. Trent. Kaye McKenzie. Michael Tomlinson. Josef. Nina Colson, Mark
- ◆ **Year's Mind: 13th - 19th August:**
Edna Norman, Eileen McLean, Hope Hoysted, Laurence Cutler, Keith Cleal, Edith Garraway, Jaes Aylward, Matthew McInnes, Daphne Johnson, Allam Kerris, Bettu Walch, Clarice Maddern
Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.
We pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Rob Whalley - may he rest in peace

Prayer of the week {OS 19} (*pray daily*)

Almighty God,
you have given your only Son
to be for us both a sacrifice for sin
and also an example of godly life:
give us grace that we may always thankfully receive
the benefits of his sacrifice,
and also daily endeavour
to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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