



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

## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost 20th August 2023

### St Bartholomew Apostle & Martyr - Mission to India (Thursday 24th )

Two ancient testimonies exist about the mission of Saint Bartholomew in India. These are of Eusebius of Caesarea (early 4th century) and of [Saint Jerome](#) (late 4th century). Both of these refer to this tradition while speaking of the reported visit of [Saint Pantaenus](#) to India in the 2nd century. The studies of Fr A.C. Perumalil SJ and Moraes hold that the Bombay region on the [Konkan](#) coast, a region which may have been known as the ancient city [Kalyan](#), was the field of Saint Bartholomew's missionary activities. Previously the consensus among scholars was against the apostolate of Saint Bartholomew the Apostle in India. The majority of the scholars are skeptical about the mission of Saint Bartholomew the Apostle in India. Stallings (1703), Neander (1853), Hunter (1886), Rae (1892), Zaleski (1915) are the authors who supported the Apostolate of Saint Bartholomew in India. Other scholars do not support this hypothesis. The main argument is that the India that Eusebius and Jerome refer to should be identified as [Ethiopia](#) or [Arabia Felix](#)

Along with his fellow apostle [Jude "Thaddeus"](#), Bartholomew is reputed to have brought Christianity to Armenia in the 1st century. Thus, both saints are considered the [patron saints](#) of the [Armenian Apostolic Church](#).

According to tradition, he is the 2nd [Catholicos-Patriarch](#) of the [Armenian Apostolic Church](#)

Christian tradition has three stories about Bartholomew's death: "One speaks of his being kidnapped, beaten unconscious, and cast into the sea to [drown](#). Another account states that he was [crucified upside down](#), and another says that he was [skinned alive](#) and beheaded in Turkey.

The most prominent tradition has it that Apostle Bartholomew was executed in [Albanopolis](#) in Armenia. According to popular [hagiography](#), the apostle was [flayed](#) alive and beheaded. According to other accounts, he was crucified upside down (head downward) like [St. Peter](#). He is said to have been martyred for having converted Polymius, the king of Armenia, to Christianity. Enraged by the monarch's conversion, and fearing a Roman backlash, King Polymius's brother, Prince Astyages, ordered Bartholomew's torture and execution, which Bartholomew endured. However, there are no records of any Armenian king of the [Arsacid dynasty of Armenia](#) with the name "Polymius". Current scholarship indicates that Bartholomew is more likely to have died in Kalyan in India, where there was an official named "Polymius". The 13th-century [Saint Bartholomew Monastery](#) was a prominent Armenian monastery constructed at the site of the martyrdom of Apostle Bartholomew in [Vaspurakan](#), Greater Armenia (SE Turkey).

A very warm welcome to Archdeacon Alan Jarrad today, we are delighted to have you with us again, and we trust you have enjoyed leading the services in your "old parish" and thank you Jayne for your contribution to our worship, so very much appreciated

### 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
- **Please return your books by next Sunday - at the latest!**



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

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Thanks to all who have been sitting in the cold in Appin Street and have sold books to themselves and their friends.

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 will be back next Sunday. Please ring Margaret Gibson 0428 276255 if you have any queries, and they will be referred on as appropriate

### 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 .**

Rosters out this week, please collect yours

## WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### MONDAY, 21st August 2023

Judges 2: 11-19, Ps: 106-42-48, Matthew 19: 16-22

### TUESDAY, 22nd

Judges 6:11-24a,, Ps 85: 8-13, Matthew 19:23-30  
8.00am, Pangerang @ St Michael's Hall

### WEDNESDAY, 23RD

Judges 9: 6-15, Ps 21 1-7, Matthew 20: 1-16a  
9.30am Craft Group—St Michael's Hall.

### THURSDAY, 24th *Bartholomew Apostle & Martyr*

Deuteronomy 18:15-18, Ps 145: 10-18, Revelation 21:9b-14  
9.30am, Holy Eucharist — St. Michael's.  
Deuteronomy 18:5-18, Ps 21:1-7, Revelation 21:9b-14, John 1:45-51  
10.15am, morning tea and Bible Study—Hall.

### FRIDAY, 25th

Ruth 1, Ps 146: 5-19, Matthew 22: 34-40

### SATURDAY, 26th

Ruth 2: 1-17 & 4:13-17, Ps 128, Matthew 23: 1-12

### SUNDAY 27th {OS 21}

Exodus 1:8, 2-10, Ps 124, Romans 12: 1-8, Matthew 16: 13-20

### *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*



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**WA Anglican Schools Commission** Peter Laurence CEO  
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◆ *Cathedral College, Wangaratta* Principal: Nick Jones Chaplains:  
◆ Mark Mickelborough Cathy Carden  
◆ *Cobram Anglican Grammar School (CAGS)* Principal: Keith Willett  
◆ Chaplain: *vacant*

◆ **Parishes**

◆ *North East Deanery*

**The Parochial District of Beechworth** Priest-in-Charge  
Matthew Healy (*Katherine Presley*) (*Madeleine, Elizabeth*)  
Hon. Deacon: Sue Hall the Parish leaders and communities at:  
Christ Church, Beechworth St Jude's Eldorado

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**Those in need** - Vivienne S, Melanie, Bob C, Warren G, Neliya Don Leonard, Wayne, Vi Bussell, Trent, Kay McKenzie, Michael Tomlinson, Josef, Nina Colson, Mark

**Year's Mind** -Barry Turner, Lilian Nicholson, Yvonne Bryant, Ralph Butler, Myrtle Chamberlain, Edna Hodsoll, Thelma Symons, Val Barbour, John Whipps, Alfred Wallace

**Prayer of the week {OS 20} (*pray daily*)**

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen



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