

ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA WEST & THE WARBYS Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost 22nd October 2023

October 23: James, 'the Lord's brother' (Mk. 6:3 and parallels). The natural interpretation of the NT evidence would imply that he was the son of the BVM and St Joseph, but there are other possibilities. From 1 Cor. 15:7 it appears that he was granted a special appearance of the Lord after the Resurrection. From an early date he was, with St Peter, a leader of the Church at Jerusalem (e.g. Gal. 1:19), and from the time when Peter left Jerusalem after Herod's attempt to kill him (Acts 12), James appears as the principal authority, who presided at the council of Jerusalem recorded in Acts 15. According to Clement of Alexandria (150-215AD), he was chosen 'bishop of Jerusalem'. On the basis of Gal. 1:19 it has been argued that he was an Apostle, and he has been identified with the son of Alphaeus; both Clement and Hegesippus (a Church historian) describe him as 'James the Just'. According to Hegesippus he was put to death by the Sanhedrin in AD 62. Among Jewish Christians he was held in high repute, and elaborate stories of his sanctity are reported by Hegesippus. The apocryphal Infancy Gospel known as the 'Book of James' is ascribed to him, as is also the Gnostic 'Apocryphal Epistle of James'.

brethren of the Lord. References to 'the Lord's brethren', who include James, Joseph, Simon, and Jude, occur at Mk. 6:3, etc., Jn. 7:3, Acts 1:14, 1 Cor. 9:5. They may have been sons of the Virgin Mary and Joseph, born after Christ. This is the most natural inference from the NT, and was accepted by Tertullian and probably by Hegesippus. But rejected by St Jerome, who maintained the perpetual virginity of the Virgin Mary. Jerome held that the Lord's 'brethren' were the sons of Mary, 'the mother of James and Joses' (Mk. 15:40), whom he identified with the wife of Clopas & sister of the Virgin Mary.

Cross, F. L., & Livingstone, E. A., eds. (2005). In The Oxford dictionary of the Christian Church (3rd ed. rev., p. 862). Oxford University Press.

October 28th.

Simon and Jude were named among the twelve apostles in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke. Simon is called 'the Zealot', probably because he belonged to a nationalist resistance movement opposing the Roman occupation forces. There is no indication in the gospels whether Simon moved from the Zealot party to be a follower of Christ or, on the other hand, if after the resurrection he became a supporter of that group, seeing it as a response to God's call to proclaim the kingdom.

Luke describes Jude as the son of James, while the Letter of Jude has him as the brother of James, neither of which negates the other. It seems he is the same person as Thaddæus, which may have been a last name. Owing to the similarity of his name to that of Judas Iscariot, Jude was rarely invoked in prayer and it seems likely that because of this, interceding through him was seen as a final resort when all else failed. He became known, therefore, as the patron saint of lost causes.

The two apostles are joined together on this day because a church, which had recently acquired their relics, was dedicated to their memory in Rome in the seventh century.

The Chosen - THIS FRIDAY 27th October at 6pm

Episode 5, "The Wedding Gift" Everyone has thoroughly enjoyed this series, please consider coming, it is not too late!

SEASON OF CREATION 28th OCTOBER @ 10.30am BISHOP'S LODGE

Holy Eucharist Service Celebrating The Communion Forest Planting of Parish trees Lambeth call on the Environment Fellowship picnic lunch Guest Preacher -Rev'd Dr Rachel Mash RSVP 24th Oct 5721 3484. Please book in by Tuesday to ensure we have a good parish attendance, and pray for a good day as we plant our very own orange tree!

The annual parish meeting for 2023 will be held next Sunday 29th October in St Michael's Hall, Wangaratta at 11.00am.

Neil Hicks, Vicar.

<u>Artisan Market -</u> <u>Saturday 18th November</u>

Please ensure you have this date in your calendar! Not only an excellent fund raiser, but a great social day. We have agreed to once again run a **PLANT STALL -** so all you lovely green thumbed folk please start potting up now, and as usual, our wonderful **CAKE STALL**. Please let Sue Wheeler know if you are available to help on the day

Grab a Grocery - Loaves and Fishes are seeking help Saturday 25th Nov. - please see Pam if you are able to assist. Working with Children is the only check you will need.

Save the Date Parish Fellowship Pre-Christmas Gathering -Thursday 7th December King River Café - more details nearer the date



All non-perishable items are appreciated, especially Chunky Soup and as a special treat for children - muesli bars or similar. Sweet and Savoury biscuits, tuna, tomato and BBQ sauce, tinned peas and beans, chunky and cuppa soup;

This week's special focus: Chocolate

It is also OK to buy dog food as this cannot be obtained through the food share programme.



WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS MONDAY, 23rd October 2023 James of Jerusalem, brother of Our Lord, martyr (d c 62) Romans 4.20-25; Canticle: APBA p. 30; Luke 12. 13-21. **TUESDAY, 24th** Inauguration of the United Nations, 1945 Romans 5. 12-21; Psalm 40. 6-12; Luke 12. 35-38. 8.00am, Pangerang Breakfast Club etc.—St. Michael's Hall. 11.00am, Deanery Clergy meet at Glenrowan. WEDNESDAY, 25th Romans 6. 12-18; Psalm 124; Luke 12. 39-48. 9.30am Craft Group-St Michael's Hall. **THURSDAY**, 26th Romans 6. 19-23; Psalm 1; Luke 12. 49-53. Pangerang Playgroup at St. Paul's Hall. 9.30am. Eucharist — St. Michael's Hall. 10.15am, morning tea and Bible Study-St Michael's Hall. 5.30pm, Bishop in Council—Registry. FRIDAY, 27th Romans 7. 18-25a; Psalm 119. 65-72; Luke 12. 54-59. 6.00pm, The Chosen—St Michael's Church & Hall. SATURDAY, 28th **SIMON and JUDE, Apostles and Martyrs** Deuteronomy 32. 1-4; Psa 19. 1-6; Jude 1-3, 17-25 Lk 6. 12-16. 10.30am, Season of Creation at Bishop's Lodge (see advert)

Sunday 29th, SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 22, (OS 30) ONLY SERVICE TODAY (Parish Annual Meeting to follow) <u>9.30am Eucharist @St. Michael's, Wangaratta</u>. Deuteronomy 34. 1-12; Psalm 90. 1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2. 1-13; Matt 22. 34-46.



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Sunday 22nd October 2023-{OS 29}

- The World: <u>The Caribbean</u>: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, St Kitts-Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago.
- Australia: For all involved in organised tourism: transport, hospitality, catering
- The Church in our nation: Coptic Orthodox Dioceses of Melbourne and Sydney.
- Anglican Church of Australia: The Diocese of Sydney: Abp Kanishka Raffel (*Cailey*). <u>Regional Bishops</u>: Christopher Edwards (*Belinda*), Gary Koo (*Pearl*), Peter Lin (*Isobel*), Peter Hayward (*Julie*), Michael Stead (*Felicity*), Archdeacon for Women: Kara Hartley. Sisters of the Church, Glebe The Clergy and People.
- Our Diocese: Bishop Clarence Bester (*Michelle & family*). Church Lay Leaders especially Wardens and Parish Councillors. <u>The Parochial District of Tallangatta:</u> P-i-C: Alan Kelb (*Lee*).
- **Our Parish**. The Craft Group. For the showing of 'The Chosen' to be a blessing.
- **Those in Need:** Vivienne S. Melanie. Warren G. Wayne. Vi Bussell. Kaye McKenzie. Michael Tomlinson. Josef. Nina Colson.
- Year's Mind: 22nd—28th October:

 [22/10] Alice Brown, 1997 Ruby Gerrett, 1995.
 [23/10] Ken Buscall, 2013. Gladys Smith, 2013. Phyllis Chapman, 1989.
 [24/10] Pearl Pilbeam, 1989.
 [26/10] Rupert Sullivan, 2008. [27/10] Phyllis Wilson, 2010.
 [28/10] Leslie Forge, 2013. Lily Cox, 1987.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord. And may light perpetual shine upon them.

Prayer of the week {OS 29} (pray daily)

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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