

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

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost 5th November 2023

Dear Parishioners,

It was good to see so many at the Parish Annual Meeting last Sunday. This Sunday we commence 2 things.

- A countdown to Advent. What is that you may ask? In the Lectionary used in the Church of England these days the 4 Sunday before Advent Sunday are called just that, commencing with today which is **The Fourth Sunday Before Advent**. So I thought we would use that terminology just to highlight the hope that Advent is something more than "Christmas before Christmas Day".
- 2. A focus on the matter of Stewardship. November is a traditional month for the church to do this as we reflect on the year that has been and begin to look forward to the year ahead. So too we are encouraged to look at our offering of time, talents and money to God through the Church.

Neil Hicks Vicar.

November 10—St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

St. Leo was probably born in Rome about 400. He was a deacon under popes Celestine I (422–32) and Sixtus III (432–40), both of whom had entrusted him with diplomatic missions. He was elected pope in August–September 440, while on a mission to Gaul (today's France), and he was consecrated (September 29, 440) on his return to Rome. Leo is one of the three popes designated as "the Great," and he merits this title because of his teaching and his governance. His teaching is found in ninety-six sermons, which explain the major tenets of the Catholic faith. With regard to governance, he was the best administrator of the ancient Church: he consolidated Church administration and also stressed the primacy of the Roman See in his dealings with the rest of the Catholic world. He likewise urged liturgical as well as canonical and pastoral uniformity. Near Mantua, he confronted (452) Attila the Hun and persuaded him to withdraw, and on meeting the Vandal Gaiseric outside Rome, he induced (455) him to spare the city from fire and massacre. St. Leo died on November 10, 461. Pope Benedict XIV declared him a doctor of the Church in 1754.

NOVEMBER 11—St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

St. Martin was born of pagan parents in Sabaria, Pannonia (today's Szombathely, Hungary), in about 316. His father was an officer in the Roman army and had moved his

Artisan Market - Saturday 18th November

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

The Chosen - THIS FRIDAY, 8th November at 6pm SEASON ONE, EPISODE SEVEN: The Invitation

As Jesus' ministry continues, Nicodemus and Matthew ponder who this man can be.

An invitation to join the ministry offers them a new life but will also cost them everything.

Grab a Grocery - Loaves and Fishes are seeking help Saturday 25th Nov. - please see Pam if you are able to assist.

A Working With Children Licence is the only check you will need.

Don't forget to save the date - Thursday 7th December King River Café - Parish Pre-Christmas lunch gathering.

2024 Lectionary is now available.

\$15.00 (or is it 16?). Please ask the Vicar for a copy.

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family to Pavia, Italy, where Martin grew up and became a catechumen. At the age of fifteen years, Martin joined the Roman army, and tradition has it that, while serving near Amiens, he shared his military cloak with a destitute beggar. Martin was later granted a vision of Christ who, clothed in the cloak he had given the beggar, encouraged him to be baptized. After Martin's discharge (356) from military service, he placed himself (about 359) under the spiritual guidance of St. Hilary of Poitiers, and he later founded (360–61) a monastery at Ligugé, near Poitiers. This was the first monastery established in Gaul (modern France). Martin was made Bishop of Tours in 372, but he continued living a monastic life in a deserted area outside the city. He died on a pastoral visit to Candes on November 8, 397, and he was buried in Tours on November 11. His successor in the see built a chapel over his tomb, which soon became a place of pilgrimage. Martin was the first non-martyr to be venerated as a saint and given a liturgical feast in the Church calendar.

Tylenda, J. N. (2003). Saints and Feasts of the Liturgical Year (pp. 240–242). Georgetown University Press.

WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY, 6th November 2023

Romans 11. 29-36; Psalm 69. 31-38; Luke 14. 12-14.

TUESDAY, 7th Public Holiday

Romans 12. 5-16a; Psalm 131; Luke 14. 15-24.

8.00am, Pangerang Breakfast Club etc.—St. Michael's Hall.

WEDNESDAY, 8th Saints, Martyrs, missionaries and teachers of the Anglican Communion.

Isaiah 61. 4-9; Psalm 15; Revelation 19. 5-10; John 17. 18-23. 9.30am Craft Group—St Michael's Hall.

THURSDAY, 9th

Romans 14. 7-12; Psalm 27. 11-14; Luke 15. 1-10.

9.30am, 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.

FRIDAY, 10th Leo of Rome, bishop and teacher (d 461)

Romans 15. 14-21; Psalm 98. 1-4; Luke 16. 1-8.

6.00pm, The Chosen—St Michael's Church & Hall.

SATURDAY, **11th** *Martin of Tours (d c 387)*

Armistice Day 1918

Romans 16. 1-5, 16-27; Psalm 145. 1-9; Luke 16. -15.

Sunday 19th, SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 24, (OS 32)

9.30am, Eucharist @St. Michael's, Wangaratta.

11.00am, Eucharist @St Paul's Glenrowan.

Amos 5. 18-24; Psalm 70; 1 Thessalonians 4. 13-18; Matthew 25. 1-13.



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.











Sunday 5th November 2023—{OS 31}

- ◆ The World: Oceania: French Polynesia, Kanaky, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu.
- Australia: Hospitals. Health Care providers. All medical and health personnel. Medical and Health administrative workers
- ◆ The Church in our nation: Lutheran Church.
- Anglican Church of Australia: Diocese of Bathurst: Bp Mark Calder (Susan). The Clergy and People.
- Our Diocese: Bishop Clarence Bester (Michelle & family). B-i-C Executive Committee: Bishop, Vicar-General, Registrar, Treasurer, Helen Gilbert, John Gilson, Alex Monk, Christine Nesbit.
- ◆ Our Parish. Glenrowan ConTACT "Drop-In". For the showing of 'The Chosen' to be a blessing.
- ◆ Those in Need: Mark H. Vivienne S. Melanie. Warren G. Wayne. Vi Bussell. Kaye McKenzie. Michael Tomlinson. Josef. Nina Colson.
- ♦ Year's Mind: 5th—11th November: [05/11] Win Roberts, 2008. William Gerrett, 1995 [06/11] Laurence Denton, 2004 Mary Byrn, 1994. [08/11] Joseph Peterson, 1992.

[09/11] Beatrice Hill, 2003. Ron Townsend, 1997. Alf Wilcox, 1973.

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

Prayer of the week (OS 31) (pray daily)

God our Father. whose will it is to bring all things to order and unity in our Lord Jesus Christ: may all the peoples of the world, now divided and torn apart by sin, be brought together under his sovereign rule of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.







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