



ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA

PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA WEST & THE WARBYS

13th October 2024

**The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

Dear Parishioners,

Of the six holy people remembered in our Church Calendar this coming week, four of them are denoted as martyrs. To be classed as a martyr in church terms is a pretty big thing, more honourable than being 'emeritus or honorary' better even than just an 'ordinary saint'. To be a martyr means that having been loyal to Jesus as God's Son has led to the loss of one's mortal life.

It is not only Christianity which admires martyrs, witness the many people prepared to die in the name of Allah in some sections of Islam, or Sikhs, or Bahá'í Faith members, and there are many more instances.

What leads to a person becoming a martyr? Sometimes it can be as simple as being in the wrong place at the wrong time such as for Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley who got caught up in the social, religious and political turmoil of 16th century England (called the English Reformation), or in the case of Ignatius of Antioch a person who fell foul of the political rulers of his day who were keen to turn people away from worship of Jesus Christ because to be a follower of Christ was at the time considered to be 'anti-state behaviour'. This fate befalls many Christians in various places in the world today.

Of course there are also occasions when people with very strongly held beliefs fall out with friends, neighbours or the wider society but if their beliefs and actions contribute to their untimely death should they be automatically regarded as martyrs? This may seem to be a silly question, however it is important that we do not fall into the trap of considering ourselves or another person as a martyr for the faith if all they are being is awkward and/or obnoxious.

In today's gospel reading Jesus again puts out the challenge to anyone who wants to be a follower of the Way, "what is the most important thing in life for you?" The rich young man seemingly failed the challenge as do we no doubt because we haven't understand Jesus's challenge for what it is. Where is your affection placed, is in yourself, your career, your social group etc. or is it God and God's kingdom?

As for the man in today's Gospel, so for us this is a challenge to be pondered and acted out every day.

For examples of people who did this very thing look up the other saints for this week.

*Neil Hicks.*

## Dates for your Diary

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 12.30 p.m.** ConTACT Drop-In at St Paul's Glenrowan.

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October**—The Chosen resumes at St Michael's.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November**—Parish Annual Meeting at St Michael's.

**26<sup>th</sup> November** -Parish Fellowship - Rimmel's Whorouly

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November** — Artisan Market @ St Michael's



### Anglican Church Calendar 2025

Available now \$16.50 ea.

Please collect your ordered calendars from Margaret Gibson.

Calendars also now available at The Cathedral Shop.

**Community Raffle** At the moment no more books are available.

Please return your books Dot Hurley, or Margaret if Dot is not here.

### Jazz Mass - at the Cathedral - 3rd November at 10.00am.

To enable many of us who would like to attend the Jazz Mass it has been agreed that there will be only one service in this parish on that day.

Fr Neil will lead a Eucharist at 8am at St Michael's for any parishioners of both this parish and the Cathedral Parish who do not wish or unable to attend the Jazz Mass.

The poster is for a 'Jazz Mass' event. At the top, it says '34 YEARS WANGARATTA JAZZ &amp; BLUES'. The main title is 'Jazz Mass'. Below the title are three circular portraits of the performers: Bob Sedergreen (Australian Jazz Legend), Annemarie Sharry, and Missa Margarita Dorothy Papadakis (featuring Holy Trinity Cathedral Choir). The event is scheduled for '10.00am Sunday 3 November 2024' at 'Holy Trinity Cathedral, Corner Docker &amp; Ovens Streets, Wangaratta'.



### OCTOBER FOCUS:

***Peanut Butter. Pasta sauce. Shampoo & Conditioner.  
Milo. Noodle cup varieties. Sweet Biscuits. Body wash.***

*Dog food, as this cannot be obtained through the food share programme.*

***All non-perishable items are appreciated,  
and as a special treat for children - muesli bars or similar.***

## WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### Monday, 14th October 2024

Galatians 4. 22—5. 1. Psalm 113. Luke 11. 29-32.

### Tuesday, 15th *Teresa of Avila, teacher (d 1592)*

Galatians 5. 1-6. Psalm 119. 41-48. Luke 11. 37-41.

9.30 a.m. Eucharist—St Michael's Hall

10.15 a.m. Bible Study—St Michael's Hall.

### Wednesday, 16th

*Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, bishops and martyrs (d 1555)*

Galatians 5. 18-25. Psalm 1. Luke 11. 42-46.

9.30 a.m. Craft Group—St Michael's Hall.

10.00 a.m. Eucharist—Holy Trinity Cathedral—Lady Chapel.

12.30 p.m. ConTACT Drop-In, St Paul's Glenrowan. Bring & Share lunch

### Thursday, 17th *Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr (d c 115)*

Ephesians 1. 1-10. Psalm 98. 1-7 Luke 11. 47-54.

11.00 a.m. St Catherine's Hostel Eucharist.

11.15 a.m. Rangeview H.C.

### Friday, 18th **LUKE, Evangelist and Martyr**

Jer 8. 22—9.3. Psalm 145. 10-18. 2 Timothy 4. 9-17. Luke 10. 1-9.

### Saturday, 19th *Henry Martyn, missionary and Bible translator in India and Persia (d 1812).*

Ephesians 1. 15-23. Psalm 8. Luke 12. 8-12.

### Sunday 20th October,

### Twenty-second Sunday After Trinity. (OS 29)

9.30 a.m., Eucharist @St. Michael's, Wangaratta.

11.00 a.m., Ante Communion @St Paul's, Glenrowan.

Job 38. 1–7, + 34–41 Psa 104. 1–10, 26. Heb 5. 1–10. Mark 10. 35–45.

St. Luke the Evangelist was born perhaps in Antioch (modern Antakya, Turkey), of a Greek-speaking pagan family. He was converted to the Christian faith and became a fellow worker of St. Paul. He was likewise a physician, because St. Paul refers to him as "our most dear physician" (Col. 4:14). Luke first met St. Paul at Troas (Acts 16:11), then accompanied him to Jerusalem (Acts 21:17), and remained with him during his imprisonment in Rome (Acts 28:14b–16; 2 Tim. 4:11). Luke handed down an account of the beginnings of the Church in his Acts of the Apostles, and from St. Paul's preaching he compiled the Third Gospel. It is uncertain where he went after St. Paul was martyred in Rome. Tradition has it that St. Luke was martyred toward the end of the first century.

## Sunday 13th October 2024

- ◆ **The World:** Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico.
- ◆ **Australia:** All involved in National Security matters.  
Diplomatic Officers and staff .
- ◆ **The Church in our nation:** Congregational Federation.
- ◆ **Anglican Church of Australia:** Defence Force Anglican Chaplaincy:  
Bishop Grant Dibden (*Jeannette*).  
For all Anglican Christians who serve in the Australian Defence Forces either  
as Members of A.D.F. or as Chaplains.
- ◆ **Our Diocese:** Bishop Clarence Bester (*Michelle*). (*Kian & Kyle*).  
The Parochial District of Murchison & Rushworth, P-i-C: Andre Du Plooy  
(*Patricia*). the Parish leaders and communities at: Christ Church, Murchison  
and St Paul's, Rushworth.
- ◆ Australian Defence Force Chaplains in DOW  
Akhil Gardner. Ricky Tilden. Stacey Slater.
- ◆ **Baptism Anniversary:** 18/10, Suzie Don Leonard.  
**Confirmation Anniversary:** 18/10, Sally White.
- ◆ **Our Parish:** ConTACT Drop-In, St Paul's Glenrowan.  
The Co-operating Ministry between our parish and Wangaratta Parish.
- ◆ **Those in Need:** Rob Butler, Jeff Colson. Mark Heaton. Shirley Cameron.  
Melanie. Bishop Garry Weatherill. Josef. Wayne. Warren Gould. Michael E.  
Kaye McKenzie.
- ◆ **Year's Mind: 13th—19th October.**  
[16/10] Mother Rita Mary CCK, 2015.

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

### **Prayer of the week** (*pray daily*) {OS 28}

Almighty God,  
in your wisdom you have so ordered our earthly life  
that we must walk by faith and not by sight:  
give us such trust in your fatherly care  
that in the face of all perplexities  
we may give proof of our faith by the courage of our lives;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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