Sunday 11th May 2025

- ◆ The World: India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka.
- Australia: Mothers and families.
 Schools, TAFE Colleges, Universities.
 All who are involved in Education Chaplaincies and SRE.
- ◆ The Church in our nation: Anglican Church.
- ◆ ACA: The Diocese of Gippsland, Bishop Richard Treloar (*Leanne Habeeb*) The Clergy and People.
- Our Diocese: Bishop Clarence (Michelle).
 The Parish of Kilmore, PiC: David Kerr preparing to conclude his ministry next week. The Parish leaders and communities at Christ Church, Kilmore; The Transfiguration, Pyalong; St Matthew's, Broadford; St Stephen's, Tallarook.
- LAY MINISTRIES: We give thanks and pray for the ministries of all Anglicans in their homes, friendships, daily lives and work in the church and the wider community.
- ◆ Our Parishes: The ConTACT Drop-In ministry at Glenrowan. Pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our co-operating ministry.
- ◆ Baptism Anniversary: 11/05, Pamela Lewis.
- ◆ Those in Need: Nicole. Josef. Rob Butler. Warren Gould. Gwen Benstead. Wayne. Michael E. Kaye McKenzie.
- ♦ Year's Mind: 11th—17th May.

[12/05] Mary Kerris, 2006. [14/05] Eric Popple, 1995. [15/05] Elsie Manley, 2020. [16/05] Alan Jewell. 2014.

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

Prayer of the week (pray daily)

O God,

whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Help us when we hear his voice to know him who calls us each by name, and to follow where he leads; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



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11th May 2025
The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Dear Parishioners, Greetings to you on this Good Shepherd Sunday, the 4th Sunday of the Easter Season.

On our recent clergy retreat, when asked what was our favourite Psalm, I couldn't go past Psalm 23 – sometimes we pass over the familiar, or look for something deeper – Psalm 23 is undoubtedly the most well known Psalm – often sung or said at funerals – but regardless of that, it continues to have personal significance for me. Perhaps growing up in a sheep farming area, or as someone who finds my peace beside still or moving waters, or significantly when the Chapel at Cathedral College was established and named the Chapel of the Good Shepherd; it is to this Psalm that I always turn. Life is not always easy; we have struggles; we can turn to Psalm 23 and know that the Lord is MY shepherd, my protection and safety in times of trouble.

Yet, I have learnt that it is more than this - it also says:

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

He anoints my head with oil; my cup overflows.

It talks about a way of living where the Lord protects, guides **and** empowers.

I'm not sure when you last felt 'anointed' by God. Anointed, as part of His flock; to do His will. This is what I shared on our clergy conference, and when Bishop Kevin suggested we sing the Psalm together; without the words or the music in front of us – we did so, and it was a very moving, uniting, powerful moment.

It is moments like this that sustain us on our journey. And it is the sharing of these significant times, that can be a great sense of encouragement to others. Fundamentally, I think that this is what HOPE 25 throughout the Anglican Church across Australia is really about. It was wonderful having more that 20 of us meeting through Lent and doing the HOPE bible studies together. One of the things that we found most interesting were the testimonies written by people from various walks of life, about how God sustains and provides for them, particularly through difficult times. Whilst not directly related to HOPE25, opportunities such as The Chosen films at the cinema centre have also been well received.

There are further things that we would like to do later in the year, such as a discipleship group where people can find out more about the Christian Faith, along with invitations for people to share their own testimony. It is hoped that next month's Evensong will have a HOPE focus, with some reflective activities in which to participate. Each week, different testimonies and material is shared on our Cathedral website. In today's pewsheet, there is a link to a song about HOPE written and sung by students and staff at All Saints Anglican School, Shepparton. In the meantime, I also encourage you to consider going to the ecumenical event 'unearthing stories of faith' at the WPAC on the 29th May, where Colin Buchanan and others will be speaking, sharing the similar message of hope that we too are called to share.

Alleluia, Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia. Cathy Carden.

DATES TO NOTE

14th May—at H.T. Cathedral—Concert by the Grigoryan Brothers. 7.30 p.m.

21st May—ConTACT Drop-In. St. Paul's Glenrowan—Cuppa & Chat

29th May—Unearthing stories of faith WPAC 7.00pm

30th—31st May—Diocesan Synod. WPAC

Artisan Market—

A great financial success!!!

Individual stalls as follows

Raffle \$1167.00 BBO \$ 574.10 **Curry Corner** \$ 445.00 Craft \$ 445.25 \$ 203.00 Plants \$ 141.85 Treats Cakes \$1681.90 Kids Corner \$ 14.00 Stalls, donations \$ 146.50 Making the stunning total

\$4818.60

Plus some stall-holder fees have not been added in!

The organising committee headed up by Sue Wheeler, did a fantastic job, so we owe them a vote of thanks.

Mother's Day Raffle. Winners:

M Gibson, H Ward. C Furs, M Crawford, L Keane, S Satori, Margaret. <u>WWW.com</u> The next edition is due out in June, please let Margaret Gibson have any pictures—
<u>Easter, St George's Day, Artisan</u>
<u>Market, etc</u> and articles for this edition by the 20th May.

The **Friends of Holy Trinity Cathedral** annual visit to a parish will take place next Sunday 18th May 2025.

The parish to visit this year is **St Stephen's, Rutherglen**.

The service begins at 8.45 a.m.

A note from Frank Archer's daughter Cathy. Please pass on my thanks to those who were involved in providing the catering. It was lovely and exactly what Dad would have liked.

Unearthing Stories of Faith—note this is a free event, to book, scan QR code on advertising brochure



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WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday 12th May Acts 11. 1-18. Psalm 42. 1-5. John 10. 1-10. 10.30 a.m.—11.30 a.m., Embracing Hearts exercise group (Purbrick Hall).

Tuesday 13th Acts 11. 19-26. Psalm 87. John 10. 22-30.

8.30 a.m.—2.30 p.m., Yooralla group (Purbrick Hall).

5.30 p.m., Goju Kai Karate (Purbrick Hall)

Wednesday 14th MATTHIAS, Apostle and Martyr

Acts 1. 14-17, 20-26. Psalm 113. Philippians 3. 13-21. John 15. 9-17.

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

10.00 a.m., Eucharist, Lady Chapel, Cathedral.

4.00 p.m., Cathedral Choristers rehearsal.

6.30 p.m., Sing Australia (Purbrick Hall)

7.30 p.m., Grigoryan Brothers concert — Cathedral.

Thursday 15th Acts 13. 13-25. Psalm 89. 19-25. John 13. 16-20.

10.00 a.m., Eucharist at St John's Chapel.

8.30 a.m.—2.30 p.m., Yooralla group (Purbrick Hall).

11.00 a.m., St Catherine's Aged Care Eucharist.

11.15 a.m., Rangeview Aged Care Holy Communion.

5.00 p.m., Cathedral Bell ringing practice.

7.00 p.m., Cathedral Singers rehearsal.

Friday 16th Acts 13. 26-33. Psalm 2. 6-11. John 14. 1-6.

9.30 a.m.—10.30 a.m., Embracing Hearts exercise group (Purbrick Hall).

Saturday 17th

Acts 13. 44-52. Psalm 98. 1-4. John 14. 7-14.

Sunday 18th May The Fifth Sunday of Easter.

8.00 a.m., Eucharist @St George's, Taminick. (C Carden). 9.30 a.m., Eucharist @St Michael's, Wangaratta (C Carden). 11.00am Ante Communion @St Paul's, Glenrowan.

8.00 a.m., Eucharist—Cathedral (N Hicks).
10.00 a.m. Choral Eucharist—Cathedral (N Hicks).

Acts 11. 1-18. Psalm 148. Revelation 21. 1-6. John 13. 31-35.

5.00 p.m., Choral Evensong.

Revelation 3. 1-13. Psalm 107. 1-7, 10-16. Acts 12. 1-17a.

Hope25 seeks to empower Australian Anglican parishes and communities in an intentional season of sharing hope in Jesus from Easter to Pentecost in 2025.

"Hope Renewed" song from All Saints Anglican School Shepparton. https://youtu.be/ybAL8mbSrCo

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