



St Nicholas

ANGLICAN CHURCH

At St Nicholas', we strive to follow the example of Jesus in the way he lived, expressing and practising the compassion and all-encompassing love God has for the world. We are an inclusive and welcoming Anglican church situated in the heart of our local community.

— Our worship is joyful and reverent in the Anglican tradition —

The Anglican parish of St Nicholas, Mordialloc, gathers for worship on the traditional lands of the Boon Wurrung people who, from time immemorial, have cared for the land on which we meet. We pay our respects to Boon Wurrung elders, past and present, and to all First Nations people.

From the Locum (an introduction)

Apart from a couple of years working in community development work in Fiji, I was a Sydney-sider. My earlier career was in social work, with Bachelor's and Master's degrees. I worked in various social work positions, from clinical work to management, including in the Dept of Foreign Affairs, NSW Health Dept, Anglicare NSW and NSW Women's Legal Services. My two primary areas of professional expertise were in cross cultural work and child protection.

I moved to Melbourne in 2004 to complete my Master of Divinity at Trinity College, and was ordained in 2006. Since then I have spent three years as Assistant Curate at St Stephen and St Mary, Mt Waverley, then Vicar at Ascension Church, Burwood East for 5 years. In January 2014, I moved to far north Queensland, as the Rector of the Parish of the

Atherton Tablelands. I retired there from full time active ministry in September 2019, and have moved back to Melbourne.

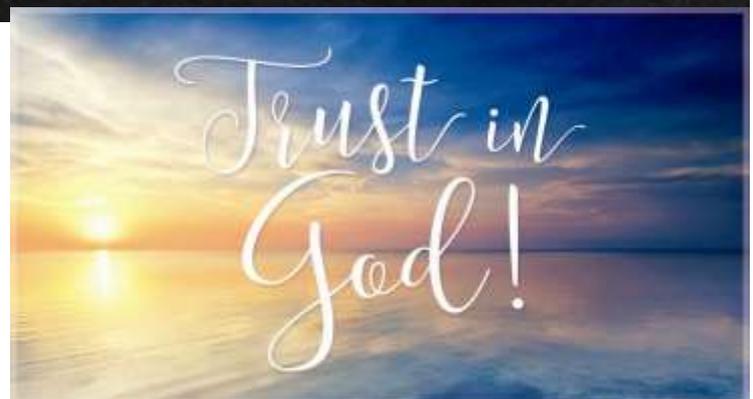
I have two adult children: a daughter in Melbourne, and a son resident in the UK, plus a granddaughter in the UK (and a very cute, newly acquired rescue dog here in Melbourne). My interests are travelling, gardening and reading murder mysteries. My greatest passion in ministry is for people to deeply encounter God in Christ and to know the abundant joy and transformation possible —“eyes opened and hearts burning”; and for this to be then expressed in their making a difference in the community and world around them.

I am looking forward to getting to know the area around Mordialloc, and the people of the parish.

Locum: The Rev'd Robyn Boyd

WELCOME

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP





Walk Pray Eat

Walk, Pray, Eat, this month on **Saturday 15th**, will be meeting at the **Church Car Park** at 8 am. We will walk to **Mordialloc beach**, where, after a brief, collective prayer of thanksgiving, we will walk quietly and meditatively along the **boardwalk/shared pathway** - an easy, relaxed walk. Our walk finishes at **Parkdale Café 151 Bay Trail Parkdale 03 9580 3377** - a ½ hour walk or so, for a scrumptious breakfast or, if you prefer, just a coffee. Maybe just meet up at the Café. Everyone is welcome. In Inclement weather, we may short circuit the walk, to just prayers and Breakfast. For more information please see Kären Hayden, Shirley Silberbauer, June Bryant, (our phone numbers are in the Parish Directory), or feel free to just turn up on the morning.

2020 Lectionaries now available
The Vicar has copies of the 2020 Lectionary if you would like to purchase a copy. \$12.95 each, payable to St Nicholas Anglican Church.



Trading table is now up and running again. Can you please bring your 'tradable' items. Please see Gillian for further details.



Wednesday Bible Study will meet on 12 February at Claire's @ 8pm as usual, then we will decide what we will do during Lent. Further information Claire or David

Notice Board

Please see the notice board in reception next to the name tag holders for full details. or see Kären Hayden for more information.

Keep an eye on the board, some events advertised are too late to go into the Pewsheets, but are still put up on the Notice Board.

1. Thank you from Anglican Development Fund for the Donation to Emergency Bushfire Relief of \$1,200.00.2. Thank you from Bush Church Aid (BCA) for donations via Money boxes throughout last year of \$601.70

The sun is always shining,
just above the clouds



Pastoral Care Leadership Team

At this time of change, if you would like Pastoral Care, please do not hesitate to contact Rev'd Robyn Boyd or a member of our Pastoral Care Leadership Team.

NB: We are continuing to provide pastoral care in our important ministry of outreach to our local aged care facilities working together are Penny Swenson, Margaret Carter, Kerry Bounds and Sr Avrill Dover.

St Nicholas' parish aims to provide timely and compassionate pastoral care to all in our community. We are blessed to have an experienced and committed team of volunteers assisting with this ministry.

St Nicholas' Pastoral Care Leadership Team:

- Wyn Roper
- Kerry Bounds
- Lorraine Jones
- Sr Avrill Dover
- Penny Swenson



OFFERTORY/GIVING FOR ST NICHOLAS

There are a number of ways we can organise our offertory to St Nicholas. Weekly giving envelopes are a

good way of pre-planning our Sunday giving. These envelopes are provided for an entire year, and are available at any time – please see the treasurer, Arthur Robertson, or one of the Wardens - new boxes for 2019/20 are available at the Welcome table.

It is also possible to Direct Credit funds to St Nicholas Anglican Church by organising an automatic direct debit though **Anglican Development Fund (ADF) - forms available, please see Arthur.** Direct Credit transactions can also be made directly to the **Parish Giving Account BSB 703 122 Account Number 05004669 (fees may apply so please check first)** Special, or one off donations can also be made this way. Donations can be anonymous. We also have Authority Forms available for Credit Card transactions.

Please ask Arthur Robertson (Treasurer) if you would like further information on any of these methods.

Starting with the January pewsheets, it has been decided to trial printing in black and white only to save on printing costs. This will be re-evaluated after parishioner feedback over a few months.



Parish Council

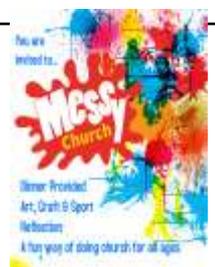
FYI: Cleaning services are now occurring once a fortnight. Please see a Warden if you have any concerns.



Messy Church is back for 2020!

Come join us for Messy Church 23 February.

Everyone welcome to join in or volunteer on the fun filled afternoon.



MU THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2020

Living by faith

Insurance for house, boat, jewels, money in the bank: what does this all mean if we say we are living by faith? If I do (or don't do) something, will that guarantee happiness or God's favour, riches, a loving family. Certainly the Hebrew Scriptures (for the most part) tell us God will reward the righteous. But Jesus tells us to consider the lilies, the birds of the air. His life and death show us there are NO guarantees, except that God loves us no matter what. In the face of that love how can we but not go forward in faith and hope and love?

No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

Romans 4:20-21

In Melanesia the Parenting Programme has contributed to restoring a relationship between an adolescent boy and his family. He returned home after two years of refusing to associate with them. There are no rules that were obeyed but there was a willingness of all involved and LOVE. Let us thank God for the opportunities that members bring to their communities.

Friends and family

We often feel a failure if we don't get 20 birthday cards or have a group of school friends which has met every week for 60 years. And even more of a failure if our family implodes. Whatever we feel about family and friends we know that Jesus held them in short regard to those who were his TRUE family. Jesus replied, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" And pointing to his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother." Matt 12:48a-50. And his friends all deserted him. Let us thank God for friends and family and be true members of Christ.

Some friends play at friendship but a true friend sticks closer than one's nearest kin.

Proverbs 18:24

An Australian priest said the Mothers' Union brought him up. When his mother was ill, members tended the children for months. Thus the seeds were laid for his faith. He experienced family and friendship in the church and he subsequently spent his life in service and friendship of God's church and his people.

Steadfastness

*Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might,
Thou Lord their Captain in the well fought fight,
Thou in the darkest drear their one true light. TiS 455: AHB 384*



If Jesus is the model of steadfastness we follow, his followers have also given us examples of steadfastness. In Westminster Abbey there are modern statues of 20th century martyrs such as Boenhoeffer, Martin Luther King, Kolbe. They held themselves like rocks against the tide of prejudice, they fought for the downtrodden, they continue the Christian Way that has been kept alive through 2 millennia. It is the Way of peace and justice for all, a Way that can only be upheld by a continuing steadfast appraisal of the injustices of our times.

Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:58

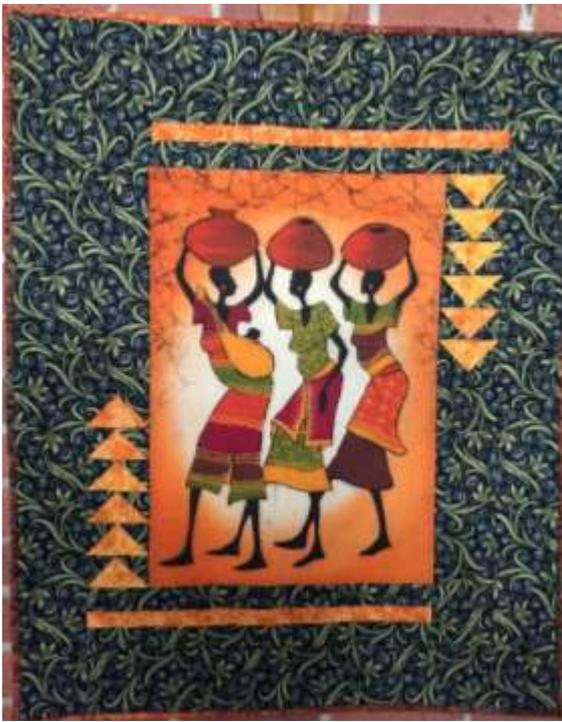
What were accepted practices in Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda and Tanzania – female genital mutilation and child marriage - are now priority areas for advocacy and policy. Members are steadfastly campaigning for a 'complete stop' to the practices, sometimes needing to move at-risk girls to safer areas.

Fair Trade

Lent begins this week and we enter the desert with Jesus. St Mark records that the Spirit drove Jesus and we don't need to imagine his reluctance – we feel it often when faced with a task or responsibility that is uncomfortable, even dreaded. Leaning back, heels dug in, we are pushed to face some home truths. The topic of Fair Trade demands that we look at our responsibility when it comes to how goods are distributed and sold. Lord, give us courage to ask ourselves if the food and clothing we buy has meant hunger and exploitation for others, and destruction of their culture and livelihood.

The righteous know the rights of the poor; the wicked have no such understanding. Proverbs 29:7

Let us give thanks for members' work that upholds the values of fair trade, helping people and their communities to take control of their lives with dignity. We ask God's blessing on their environmental protection work so that farming will flourish despite the challenges of climate change.



In 2011 a team from St Nicholas travelled to Tanzania to work at St John's Anglican University in Dodoma and at a small village Kikombo-Wilunze for one month.

As part of the activities at the village Debbie Eames and I taught a group of 180 women to use treadle sewing machines and do hand sewing. This was called the "Dorcas Project" based on the story of Dorcas in the Bible.

St Nicholas bought 10 treadle machines for the village and eight treadle / electric machines for a vocational training school. Every lady in the village received a

small bag of sewing items to help them sew when our team had returned to Australia. While we were teaching the ladies to sew they each made a shopping bag to replace plastic bags.

Before we left Australia I made a banner to be used at the village church services so it seemed natural that I would also make a banner for St Nicholas to remember our wonderful trip.

The Tanzania banner in St Nicholas centres on a Masai panel that I bought from a university student who sold jewellery and fabric to help her care for her orphaned siblings while she was studying at the university.

She also gave solo vocal performances in the university church to fund the care of her siblings.

The green fabric around the centre panel I bought in the market in Dodoma and the fabric on the back of the banner was given to me as a gift from the ladies whom we taught at the village.

The design of the banner was my own design, deliberately simply so as not to distract from the centre panel.

I loved seeing the ladies walk on the side of the road with items balanced on their head and carrying a baby in a sling. The banner brings back fond memories of our trip to Tanzania and working with the amazing ladies. **Wyn Roper**



Womens Fellowship Lunch

Our Monthly Womens Fellowship Lunch is scheduled to be held on Tuesday 11th, is now in need of a new venue and coordinator at the moment, due to Lorraine's "forced" rest, and also her upcoming holiday. If you are able to assist please contact Lorraine, or the office, to discuss details.

Friendship Lunch

We will be lunching at Mordi HQ on Thursday 20th Feb from 12 noon. Come join us for good food and fellowship.

Please contact Wyn Roper if you would like to come, so she may book a seat for you, but we can always fit in a last minute decision to join us!



Please NB: Rev Robyn Boyd is available Sun, Wed & TBC

Would you like to receive the Pewsheets via email?

Contact: office@stnicholasmordi.org.au

MARCH 2020 PEWSHEET DEADLINE

Deadline: Monday February 10

Available: Sunday February 23

Please email pewsheets notices to this address:
stnicholaspewsheets@gmail.com



Prayer Requests—Parish Prayer Chain
Claire is taking prayer requests. Please call her 9580 7374 (not email).

Missed a sermon?

Did you know that all St Nicholas' sermons are now available online at: <https://www.stnicholasmordi.org.au/sermons>

Sunday	Readings	Music
2/2/20 Epiphany 4	Micah 6. 1-8 Ps 15 1 Corinthians 1. 18-31 Matthew 5.1-12	MP237 Holy, Holy, Holy MP58 Blessed re the pure of heart (vv 1,2,4) TIS618 What does the Lord require MP857 I the Lord of sea and sky
9/2/20 Epiphany 5	Isaiah 58.1-9a Ps 112 1 Corinthians 2. 1-13 Matthew 5.13-20	TIS 392 At the dawning of Salvation TIS 747 The Lord is my Light x3 TIS 686 The salt of the earth TIS 643 I want to walk as a child of the light
16/2/20 Epiphany 6	Deuteronomy 10. 12-22 Ps 119. 1-8 1 Corinthians 3. 1-9 Matthew 5. 21-37	TIS 573 A charge to keep TIS 699 A new commandment I give unto you TIS 647 Comfort, comfort, comfort TIS 217 Love divine (i)
23/2/20 Last Sunday after Epiphany. Transfiguration	Exodus 24. 12-18 Ps 2 2 Peter 1. 16-21 Matthew 17. 1-9	TIS 143 Immortal, invisible TIS 243 Christ upon the mountain peak TIS 234 How good, Lord, to be here! TIS 565 Author of faith (tune: 654)
26/2/20 Ash Wednesday	Joel 2.1-2, 12-17 Ps 51. 1-17 2 Corinthians 5. 20b-6.10 Matthew 6. 1-6, 16-21	TIS 712 Create in us a clean heart TIS 735 Kyrie eleison TIS 741 Hear my prayer TIS 463 May this Lenten discipline

Sun 2 Tue 4 Wed 5	9.15am Epiphany 4, Sung Holy Communion Service — 9.15am Sunday School 10am Tito 11.15am Holy Communion followed by morning tea Holy Communion @ Bayside 6pm Christian Meditation
Sun 9 Mon 10 Tue 11 Wed 12 Sat 22	9.15am Epiphany 5, Sung Holy Communion Service — 9.15am Sunday School PEWSHEET DEADLINE 10am Tito 12noon Holy Communion @ CHN TBC Wardens Meeting 1pm Women's Fellowship 11.15am Holy Communion followed by morning tea 1pm St Nicholas' Poetry Society 8pm Bible Study @ Claire's 8am Walk Pray Eat—Church Carpark
Sun 16 Tue 18 Wed 19 Thu 20	9.15am Epiphany 6, Sung Holy Communion Service — Sunday School at 9.15am Trading Table after Church 10.00 Tito 11.15am Holy Communion followed by morning tea 12.30pm Locum's Bible Study—TBC 6pm Christian Mediation 12noon Friendship Luncheon
Sun 23 Wed 26	9.15am Transfiguration, Sung Holy Communion Service — Sunday School @ 9.15am 4pm Messy Church Ash Wednesday

February 2020 Calendar

Please Note: our complex is used by:

AA — EVERY FRIDAY 10.30am-12.30pm and EVERY SUNDAY 7.30-9.30pm
Peaceful Yoga — MONDAYS 6-7.15pm and 7.30-8.45pm, WEDNESDAYS 9.15-10.30am, THURSDAYS 6-7.15pm
SATURDAYS 8-9.30am

ROSTER DUTY	2 nd FOURTH SUNDAY AF- TER EPIPHANY 9:15am	9 ^h FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 9:15am	16 th SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 9:15am TRADING TABLE	23 rd LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY TRANSFIGURATION. 9:15am
PRESIDER	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd
PREACHER	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Pennie Swenson (Leader)	Cassey Russell (Leader)	June Bryant (Leader)	Wyn Roper (Leader)
SACRISTAN	Shirley Silberbauer	Kerrie Devir	Margaret Caterer	Karen Hayden
SERVING	Shirley Silberbauer	Kerrie Devir	Margaret Caterer	Karen Hayden
CHALICE (2)	Dale Swenson Ngairé Tatnell	Karen Hayden Sister Avrill Dover	Rev'd Ian Clark Kerrie Devir	Sister Avrill Dover Ngairé Tatnell
FIRST READNG	Ngairé Tatnell	Barbara Bugeja	Claire Shaw	Robert Malone
SECOND READ- ING	Barbara Bugeja	Kerry Bounds	Victor Haste	David Ormesher
GOSPEL	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd	Rev'd Robyn Boyd
INTERCESSOR	Eva Cupido	Joy Clark	Margaret Carter	Claire Shaw
SIDESPERSON (2)	Audrey Phillips Barbara Bugeja	Lisa Fleming Robert Eames	Jacqui Stevens Barbara Bugeja	Peter Lansell Arthur Robertson
WELCOMER	Barbara Bugeja	Audrey Phillips	Robert Eames	Martin Hayden
MORNING TEA (2)	Gillian Howard	Janet Pattenden Susan Evans	Cassey Russell Lina Edney	Shirley Silberbauer
AUDIO VISUAL	Michael Silberbauer	Dale Swenson	Shirley Silberbauer	Dale Swenson
COUNTERS (2)	Arthur Robertson Dale Swenson	Audrey Phillips Robert Eames	Kerrie Devir Wyn Roper	Arthur Robertson Dale Swenson
PRAYER MINISTRY	Kerry Bounds	Pennie Swenson	Sister Avrill Dover	Judith Ormesher
FLAGS	Gino Davies	Peter Lansell	Gino Davies	Michael Silberbauer
FLOWERS	Shirley Silberbauer	Joy Clark	Fiona Gilberthorpe	Karen Hayden

MESSY CHURCH Sunday 23 rd 4 – 6pm	MESSY CHURCH		
LEADER	June Bryant		
WELCOMER	Shirley Silberbauer		
ACTIVITIES/SPORTS	Cassey Russell Susan Evans	June Bryant Pennie Swenson	
DINNER PREPARATION	Lisa Fleming		
AUDIO VISUAL	Karen Hayden		

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