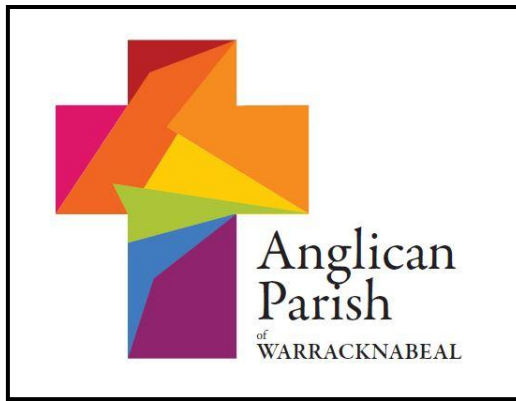




Anglican Parish of Warracknabeal

Warracknabeal, Areegra, Minyip, Hopetoun, Brim

Pentecost 19
19 October 2025

Sunday Services: 9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal



Hello Everybody! I hope that you've had a good week.

First, a HUGE THANK YOU to Gaye, Vikki, Harry and EVERYONE who was involved in our Monster Book Fair last weekend. The Parish Centre looked great! It seemed that almost everyone who came along were genuinely interested in the books that were on display. It is fair to say that there were many 'happy buyers' considering the bargain prices and the quality of the books.

We were able to sell all the books, except for a few rare and precious books that we are following up with specialised book sellers and dealers to honour their history and content. We raised a considerable sum. Parish Council will discern where we may deploy the funds raised at our October meeting. If you have any ideas - get in touch!

Secondly, THANK YOU to everyone who supplied some 'SOCKS for SYNOD'. Bronwyn (who co-ordinates the breakfast program at the Cathedral through 'Anglicare Victoria') was overwhelmed with these simple gifts of charity. It is not too late to get 'socks' or toiletries to Rev for this worthy cause. So, if you have a pair or two to donate - I will send them onto the Registry. There is great need!

I spent Friday and Saturday at Synod with our parish representative Sarah-Jayne. The Bishop's Address was well spoken. There are a number of significant issues he addresses and there are copies available from Rev. (I've left one at the back of the church). Among many issues facing our Diocese, Bishop Garry will vacate the 'See' on 3rd October 2026 when he turns 70 years old.

Finally, there are many things in the parish that will focus our attention in coming months. This coming Thursday, we will again open the Shed to female participants - exciting times. You will notice a change in the details for Areegra on 02 November, as someone has asked for two children to be baptised at St Mark's. It was hard to refuse such an opportunity. *Blessings, Rev James*



Prayer in the Parish

In the Parish & Beyond:

- +Garry; the Registry & all staff; +Scott;
- For the machinations of Synod;
- For Rev Keith Romanis and family – on priesting at Synod Eucharist and Chaplaicy at Ballarat Grammar;
- For Rev Adriaan – rehab & recovery;
- For sustainable peace in Middle East;
- For our farmers and their families;
- For our neighbours;
- People of Palestine, GAZA, Philippines, Yemen, Syria, Haiti and Ukraine;
- For all who are hungry, thirsty and homeless or displaced;
- For all facing natural disaster: flood, fire, famine;
- For all known to us in hospital and our Residential Care Facilities;
- For Christian Emergency Food Centre;
- For Anglicare Victoria;
- The Shed Project this week;
- For those who are grieving;
- For all those we love, near and far away;

Years Mind: John MARTIN (1994), Arthur HINNEBERG (1996), Donald WRIGHT (1984), Keith LEWIS (1986), Keith POTTER (1990), Henry (Harry) MAGGS (1988), Keith JOYCE (2022), Edna HALL (1991), Donald JOHNSON (2007)

“Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.”

Service Times Oct/Nov

Pentecost 19 – 19 October

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal

Pentecost 20 – 26 October

9.30am & 5.00pm Café Church

Pentecost 21 – 02 November

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal

11.30am St Mark's Areegra

(note change of time and place)

Pentecost 22 – 09 November

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal

Pentecost 23 – 16 November

10.30am Grand Shed Opening

Christ the King – 23 November

Maybe 9.30am Morning Prayer? tbc

11.00am Hamilton – Diocesan 150years

Advent 1 – 30 November

10.30am Warracknabeal

Diocesan 150th Celebration – 23rd November at 11.00am – Hamilton

Let Rev know ASAP if you want to join 150yr celebrations in Hamilton.

Creator God of love,

All time and every place is your gift.

We thank you that you have blessed our Diocese for the last 150 years, even when we have failed in our high calling to herald your kingdom.

Your forgiveness, love and peace sustained generations of our forebears,

And we rejoice that you still bless us and invite us to work with you to build justice, hope and love in Western Victoria.

Inspire us with a new vision and new energy as we face the future, and help us to trust and commit to the humble serving path of Jesus, guided by your Holy Spirit. Amen.



TODAY'S READINGS

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:27-34

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

²⁷ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. ²⁸ And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. ²⁹ In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." ³⁰ But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of the one who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 119:97-104

Response: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

1. Oh, how I love your law!
It is my meditation all day long. Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is always with me. **(R)**
2. I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my meditation. I understand more than the aged, for I keep your precepts. **(R)**
3. I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word. I do not turn away from your ordinances, for you have taught me. **(R)**
4. How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way. **(R)**

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:10-4:5

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy

¹⁰ Now you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹ my persecutions, and my sufferings, the things that happened to me in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra. What persecutions I endured! Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. ¹² Indeed, all who want to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. ¹³ But wicked people and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving others and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ

Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is^[a] useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. **4** In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, **Alleluia!**

In all circumstances, give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. **Alleluia!**

Gospel:

Luke 18:1-14

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

18 Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant

her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" ⁹He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PROPERs

Sentence: Will not God grant justice to those who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them?

Collect: Lord, tireless guardian of your people, teach us to rely, day and night, on your care. Drive us to seek your justice and your help, and support our prayer lest we grow weary, for in you alone is our strength. We make our prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**