



# Anglican Parish of Warracknabeal

Warracknabeal, Areegra, Minyip, Hopetoun, Brim

**ALL SAINTS**  
**01<sup>st</sup> November 2020**

Hello everyone!

I hope that I find you well and in good spirits!

You will notice that change is the current constant, however, I am happy to announce that Indoor Services will commence this Sunday!

## **Indoor Services begin this week – in Parish Centre**

**See service schedule in pew sheet**

### **Registration is ESSENTIAL!**

**20 persons max – numbers are limited – it is a ‘first in, best dressed’ situation I am afraid. If you do not register there is a chance you will not be able to attend.**

**Please contact Rev immediately if you would like to participate.**

**P: 0438 233 630 or E: [warrackanglican@gmail.com](mailto:warrackanglican@gmail.com)**

***Please leave a message if you get the answering machine!***

### **A few things to note:**

1. The services will be in the Parish Centre for ease of cleaning, AND to create a culture of inclusiveness and connection - which the pews in church do not aid in their current configuration.
2. I am aiming (*will be trying*) to return to church for Advent - but this may NOT occur - as there are several major things to organize for this to happen. This may also limit choice and services - which I am reluctant to do for obvious reasons. I would appreciate your prayer and patience as the Parish Council discern a suitable and appropriate way forward under the circumstances.
3. As I hope you will appreciate - I am trying to create ample opportunity for our faith community to function as 'normally' as possible with multiple choices and service availability.
4. If you need to talk - get in touch. With every blessing, Rev James

## Coffee ZOOM will occur this Tuesday!

Catch all the 'good news' and a bit more besides Tuesday at 9.30am via ZOOM. Link sent via email or ask Rev for details.



### Prayer in the Parish

**In the Parish & Beyond:** +Garry; for all we love – near and far away; Sandra and Andy Taylor; thanks for our Parish Council; for our Indoor Services and transition to 'new normal'; for the person who cleans our Parish Centre & for cleaners all over town; for seasonal weather; Project REGENERATE.

**Community:** Front-line health care workers; for those suffering from depression; for all caring for children & aged; for tolerance.

**Years Mind:** Ivy MacPhail, June Hardingham, Peggy Bourke, Maurice Hall, Bruce Kennedy, Henry Mercer, Thomas Fimmel, Nancy Humphreys, Gladys Ison

### Pentecost 22 YouTube from Rev:

Liberation and Responsibility  
<https://youtu.be/C1RHEXGP6yI>

### Bishop Garry's YouTube message:

'The Main Thing'  
<https://youtu.be/ZGR1JJm3NUc>



**Kilometres travelled**

**1,497.83**

**Pledged & Donated**

**\$7,299.09**

**Another IGA Event will be coming your way very soon – watch this space!**

## **Project REGENERATE**

**Renew PEOPLE. Revive PROJECTS. Restore PLACE.**

**Please continue to pray for God's guidance, courage and protection as we seek to regenerate the parish through our 5 year vision in thought, word and action.**

Success is not the key to happiness.

Happiness is the key to success.

If you love what you are doing, you will be successful.

*Albert Schweitzer*

# *A Simple Service – for ALL SAINTS*

## Hymn:

### Our God, Our Help In Ages Past

**Our God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home.**

**Under the shadow of your throne  
your saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is your arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting you are God,  
To endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in your sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.**

**Time, like an ever rolling stream,  
Bears all of us away;  
we fly, forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.**

**Our God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
remain our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home.**

*Isaac Watts*

## Reflection:

a) *What would you like to thank God for this week?*

b) *Who would you like to make contact with this week – neighbour or friend?*

## Prayer of Preparation:

Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Readings:

Videos: +Garry and/or Rev

## Reflection:

- ❖ Who inspires you in your walk with God?
- ❖ Which ‘saint’ do you connect with most?
- ❖ What is your favourite ‘saintly’ trait or characteristic?

## Prayer:

Praise. Petition. Intercession. Thanksgiving.  
*(or follow your own discipline.)*  
The Lord’s Prayer.  
Collect for the Day.

## Blessing:

“The LORD bless you and keep you;  
The LORD make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The LORD lift up His countenance upon  
you, And give you peace;  
this day and always” Amen.

*[Numbers 6:24-26]*

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**Next COFFEE VAN Project**

**08 November**

**9.00-1.00pm at Visitor's Centre**

# TODAY'S READINGS

## ALL SAINTS

First Reading : Revelation 7:9-17

### *A reading from the Book of Revelation*

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: 'Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.' All the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying: 'Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honour and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!' Then one of the elders asked me, 'These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?' I answered, 'Sir, you know.' And he said, 'These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, 'they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. "Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them," nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd; "he will lead them to springs of living water." "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."'

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Psalm: 34:1-10,22

### *Response: I will bless the Lord at all times*

1. I will bless the Lord continually:  
his praise shall be always in my mouth.  
Let my soul boast of the Lord: the humble shall hear it and rejoice **(R)**
2. O praise the Lord with me:  
let us exalt his name together.  
For I sought the Lord's help and he answered: and he freed me from all my fears. **(R)**
3. Look towards him and be bright with joy:  
your faces shall not be ashamed.  
Here is a wretch who cried, and the Lord heard me: and saved me from all my troubles. **(R)**
4. The angel of the Lord encamps round those who fear him: and delivers them in their need.  
O taste and see that the Lord is good: happy are they that hide in him!  
Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones: for those who fear him never lack. **(R)**
5. Lions may suffer want and go hungry:  
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing good.  
The Lord ransoms the lives of his servants: and none who hide in him will be destroyed. **(R)**

***A reading from the first letter of  
John***

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

**Alleluia**

**THE PROPERS**

**Sentence:** Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**Collect:** We praise you, heavenly Father, that you have knit together your chosen ones in one communion and fellowship in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

***A reading from the Holy Gospel  
according to Matthew***

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. The Beatitudes He said: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit , for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn , for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek , for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness , for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful , for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart , for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers , for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness , for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

# Indoor / Outdoor Service Times November

## November 01<sup>st</sup>

9.30am & 4.00pm – Christ Church Warracknabeal  
11.00am – Areegra  
5.00pm SHINE Youth Group

## November 08<sup>th</sup>

9.30am & 12.00pm – Christ Church Warracknabeal  
Coffee Van – 9.00am-1.00pm

## November 15<sup>th</sup>

9.30am & 12.00pm – Christ Church Warracknabeal  
10.30am - ZOOM Church  
5.00pm – SHINE Youth Group

## November 22<sup>nd</sup>

9.30am & 12.00pm – Christ Church Warracknabeal  
Coffee Van – 9.00am–1.00pm

## November 29<sup>th</sup>

9.30am & 12.00pm – Christ Church Warracknabeal  
10.30am – ZOOM Church

### **The Sustainable Development Goals – (for your information)**

**The Sustainable Development Goals are the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all.**

#### **Goal 15: Life On Land**

Nature is critical to our survival: nature provides us with our oxygen, regulates our weather patterns, pollinates our crops, produces our food, feed and fibre. But it is under increasing stress. Human activity has altered almost 75 per cent of the earth's surface, squeezing wildlife and nature into an ever-smaller corner of the planet. Around 1 million animal and plant species are threatened with extinction – many within decades – according to the 2019 Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service. The report called for transformative changes to restore and protect nature. It found that the health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever, affecting the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide.

Deforestation and desertification – caused by human activities and climate change – pose major challenges to sustainable development and have affected the lives and livelihoods of millions of people. Forests are vitally important for sustaining life on Earth, and play a major role in the fight against climate change. And investing in land restoration is critical for improving livelihoods, reducing vulnerabilities, and reducing risks for the economy. The health of our planet also plays an important role in the emergence of zoonotic diseases, i.e. diseases that are transmissible between animals and humans. As we continue to encroach on fragile ecosystems, we bring humans into ever-greater contact with wildlife, enabling pathogens in wildlife to spill over to livestock and humans, increasing the risk of disease emergence and amplification.



**PROTECT, RESTORE AND PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE USE OF TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS, SUSTAINABLY MANAGE FORESTS, COMBAT DESERTIFICATION, AND HALT AND REVERSE LAND DEGRADATION AND HALT BIODIVERSITY LOSS**

**BEFORE COVID-19**

THE WORLD IS  
**FALLING SHORT ON 2020 TARGETS  
TO HALT BIODIVERSITY LOSS**



OVER 31,000 SPECIES  
ARE THREATENED WITH  
EXTINCTION

WHICH IS

27% OF OVER 116,000  
ASSESSED SPECIES IN  
THE IUCN RED LIST



**FOREST AREAS  
CONTINUE TO DECLINE  
AT AN ALARMING RATE,  
DRIVEN MAINLY BY  
AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION**

EACH YEAR,  
10 MILLION HECTARES OF FOREST  
ARE DESTROYED (2015-2020)

**COVID-19 IMPLICATIONS**

**WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING DISRUPTS  
ECOSYSTEMS AND CONTRIBUTES TO  
THE SPREAD OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES**



PANGOLINS ARE POSSIBLY THE  
INTERMEDIARY ANIMAL THAT  
TRANSFERRED THE CORONAVIRUS

THE EQUIVALENT OF  
370,000 PANGOLINS  
WERE SEIZED GLOBALLY (2014-2018)



**TWO BILLION HECTARES  
OF LAND ON EARTH ARE  
DEGRADED, AFFECTING SOME  
3.2 BILLION PEOPLE,  
DRIVING SPECIES TO EXTINCTION  
AND INTENSIFYING  
CLIMATE CHANGE**



**ONLY A THIRD OF 113 COUNTRIES WERE ON TRACK  
TO ACHIEVE THEIR NATIONAL TARGET TO INTEGRATE  
BIODIVERSITY INTO NATIONAL PLANNING**



ACCESS MORE DATA AND INFORMATION ON THE INDICATORS AT [HTTPS://UNSTATS.UN.ORG/SDGS/REPORT/2020/](https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/report/2020/)

# Practice What You Preach

But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach. Matthew 23:3b (NIV)

Based on Matthew 23:1-12 (NIV)



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 I K F O I U N R C I Q I J X T  
 P S N B T Y B A N Q U E T S B  
 Q O B F A P X R F C O S B Y D  
 H A F M Q S E O R R C D X H I  
 R P P N I H M O S E S S Y S S  
 I R K R C X P B S Q R V R E C  
 M A Z A E X D E O E A E K F I  
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 O T U V Y L C L H T R F A T L  
 R I Z J B L U H O E I P H H E  
 T C L M E O Q R G L T U K E S  
 A E U L H C B N N B G O P R L  
 N H F S M R I C U H L O A D S  
 T W Z H X F P H A R I S E E S

SHOULDERS	TEACHER	MASTER	DISCIPLES	PRACTICE
HUMBLE	FATHER	HONOR	LOADS	RABBI
BROTHERS	FINGER	IMPORTANT	MOSES	HEAVY
OBEY	PREACH	LIFT	PHARISEES	BANQUETS