

Anglican Parish of Warracknabeal

Warracknabeal, Areegra, Minyip, Hopetoun, Brim

Lent 503 April 2022

Hello Everyone!

This Sunday: Christ Church - Holy Communion - 9.30am & 5.00pm

11.00am - St Mark's Areegra 6.00pm - SHINE Youth Group



Ukraine Refugee Appeal

<u>Update</u>: we will be making our contribution to this Appeal through ABM Aid during the Easter Season. ABM Aid will then direct it through ACT Alliance (Action by Churches Together) - which has 140 church members that will distribute funds toward refugee initiatives in Ukraine, Hungary, Romania, Poland and Slovakia. (More info next week)

How to make a donation: (Parish Target \$5,000)

1. Make your contribution in a separate envelope/Direct Debit in Sunday's Offertory - clearly marked 'Ukraine Refugee Appeal' (no receipt, no tax deductibility).

For parishioners seeking 'Tax deductibility':

- 2. Make your contribution in a separate envelope 'Ukraine Refugee Tax

 Deductibilty' with your Name, Address or email and Rev or Treasurer will

 make a contribution online in your name and receipt will be sent to you by ABM.
- 3. Make your contribution directly through ABM Australia following the link: https://www.abmission.org/appeals/emergency-appeals/ukraine-emergency-assistance-appeal/ (Donation Code: UKOO1)

You will then need to send Rev an email detailing your contribution - so that we can add it to our target tally: and your name will remain <u>anonymous</u> in our records.

I know that this seems a bit 'clunky' but I hope that you will appreciate that we would really like to honour our Parish target <u>and</u> provide the best opportunity for people to make a generous donation to this vital cause.

Let us continue to pray for genuine and lasting peace for those facing war, conflict and injustice in the world, and in our own hearts. Every blessing, Rev James



Prayer in the Parish

In the Parish & Beyond:

- >+Garry;
- ➤ For all the people of Ukraine;
- ➤ For all the people of Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia;
- ➤ For humanitarian aid in countries of conflict and war; for the leaders of ALL Nations those with influence;
- ➤ For those seeking asylum; for those in refugee camps; for those in detention;
- ➤ For our those facing flood, fire and other natural disasters;
- ➤ For Christian Emergency Food Centre;
- ➤ For Margaret Thompson; June Lang; Peter Lord;
- ➤ For those in hospital; for those feeling lonely; for those grieving;
- ➤ For SHINE Youth Group Sunday;

Years Mind: Robert Walker, Pamela Day, Lindsay Taylor, Heather Johnson, Thomas Gove

Dates for your diary:

Wood Raffles:

1&2 April; 6&7 May; 3&4 June

<u>Polishing in church: Easter working bee</u>

11 April - 10.00am

Christian Seder Meal: Holy Week
14 April - 6.00pm for 6.30pm
Next Luncheon - Parish Centre
15 May - 12.00pm: Book early!

Contact Sandra Taylor: 0408 991 235

Service Times April

Lent 5 – 03 April 2022

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal 11.00am Areegra 6.00pm SHINE Youth Group

Wednesday - 06 April 2022

5.30pm Evening Prayer – Rectory 6.00pm Meal and Lenten Exploration

Passion/PALM Sunday - 10 April

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal

Easter Services

Maundy Thursday - 14 April

6.00 for 6.30pm Christian Seder Meal Parish Centre – contact Sandra Taylor to book your place at the feast.

Good Friday – 15 April

9.30am Reflections at the Cross

Easter Sunday – 17 April

9.30am – Warracknabeal

Easter 2 – 24 April

9.30am HC & 5.00pm Cafe Church

Parish Centre New Tables

Oh what joy to use! No broken backs, no scraping marks on the floor, no squeaking legs ... if you would like to make a contribution to their purchase please indicate in Sunday's offertory or get in touch with Rev.

HORSHAM Emergency Food Centre

Many thanks for the generous donations of goods that will help those less fortunate!

Much appreciated!

"Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry, and gave you food..." (Matt 25:37)

TODAY'S READINGS LENT 5

First Reading:

Isaiah 43:16-21

Second Reading:

Philippians 3:3-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

This is what the Lord says - he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: 'Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. The wild animals honour me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. give drink to my people, chosen, the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm:

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Response: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy

1. When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion, we were like men dreaming.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with rejoicing. (R)

2. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad indeed. **(R)**

- 3. Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the torrents in the southern desert. Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing. **(R)**
- 4. Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown, They shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves. (R)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians: For it is we who are the circumcision, we who serve God by his Spirit, who boast in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh - though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church: as righteousness based on the law. faultless. But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is ı consider more. everything loss because of the а surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ - the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. I want to know Christ - yes, to know power of his resurrection participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters. I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: forgettting what is behind and straining towards what is ahead, I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenwards in Christ Jesus.

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Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart;

for I am gracious and merciful.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel:

John 12:1-8

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took about half a litre of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.



<u>Parish AGM & Lunch – 11.30am</u> Sunday - 31 July 2022 Following the morning 10.30am Service

But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who later betrav him. was to objected, 'Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages.' He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it. 'Leave her alone,' Jesus replied. 'It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me.'

This is the gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

The Propers

Sentence: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

Collect: O God, the Redeemer of all who trust in you: heed the cry of your people, and deliver us from the bondage of sin, that we may serve you in perfect freedom and rejoice in your unfailing love; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

"Prayer is an adventure ...

Unless we are willing to bear one another's burdens, to carry one another's weight, to receive another as Christ receives us, in mercy, there is no way across the wilderness. This journey in the scorching heat, in the thirst and hunger, in exertion of becoming a new human being - is a time of mercy, of mutual charity ..."

Metropolitan Anthony of Sourozh