

ST LUKE'S CHURCH
THE PARISH OF MODBURY
and
GOLDEN GROVE

Sunday, 3rd March, 2024

.... WELCOME

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Holy Communion with hymns
10.30am	Holy Communion Ridgehaven Rise
11.30am	Bari Worship

Today in our Lent series, we consider one of the more accessible kinds of evangelism. It concerns letting those outside of the faith notice something different in the way we view life, seen in how we react to events impacting us.

Jesus when speaking about how to treat the people we have reason to dislike, endorsed behaviour that probably goes against our natural inclinations. His Jewish hearers knew all about a young man called Joseph, sold into slavery by his older and stronger brothers. Later when the power situations were reversed, Joseph behaved towards them with grace and forgiveness.

If we too decline to use opportunity to take revenge on those who have harmed us, that will be noticeably different. Peter suggests it will provoke questions. He advises us to have a line or two on hand as response. Perhaps we could explain, 'I would hope for your ultimate good, just because you're a person made by God.'

We mostly won't know whether such seeds of faith ever take root and grow, but the more interactions everyone has with Christians who are prepared to be a bit brave and a bit different, the higher the likelihood that faith will grow in their lives. May our lives reflect God's love and grace towards us and all people. Amen.

Annual Vestry Meeting. Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting of the parish will be held on 10th March, 2024, at 11.00 am. At this meeting we will receive reports from the Parish Priest and Wardens, the audited statement of accounts and a draft budget for the coming year. We will also appoint Wardens, members of Parish Council, and representatives for the Nomination Committee. Please give prayerful consideration to these important roles in the parish. you can nominate by signing one of the forms displayed around the church. You will need a seconder to sign also.

Parishioners are advised that the funeral of the late Yvonne Hoad will be held this coming Thursday, 7th March at 10.30 am at St Luke's, to be followed by morning tea in the balcony room.

Parish Outing - The Stations of the Cross. Everyone is very warmly encouraged to join us on Saturday, 23rd March, when we make a pilgrimage to the Sacred Garden of the Passionist Monastery at Glen Osmond, The Sacred Garden is a very beautiful space dedicated to peace, tranquility, reflection and prayer. It is also home to fourteen magnificent marble sculptures depicting the Stations of the Cross which we will use as the focus for a time of prayer and reflection as we prepare for Palm Sunday and Holy Week. Pack a picnic lunch and a folding chair because we will enjoy lunch together afterwards, weather permitting. There is a sign up sheet at the rear of the church, please indicate if you will need a lift or if you will have space in your car for others.

We will meet here at St Luke's at 10.00 am and organise our car pool before heading off to Glen Osmond.

Helpers for Joyful Noise Children's Choir Needed. If you are available on Tuesday afternoons from 4.00 pm and would like to support this exciting new ministry, please add your name to the list on the office window. We need people to help welcome the children, and prepare a healthy snack for them at about 4.45. The ability to do a bit of shopping (funds provided) beforehand would be really helpful. You don't have to be available every Tuesday, we will have a roster, if we have enough helpers. You will also need to complete a Safe Ministry Clearance but we can support you to do this - it is quite straightforward and important to safeguard children and young people.

For the Love of God - Diocesan Conference Saturday 20th April. A day of encouragement. Register now. St. Peter's Girls School, Stonyfell. Everyone is invited. More information to come. Contact educationprograms@sbc.edu.au

General Rosters for April, May and June 2024. We must thank all of the members of the St Lukes congregation who participate in one or more of the various ministries that contribute to our Sunday services. Your contribution is vital.

It is again time for us to start preparing the general rosters for April, May and June.

If you involved in one or more of these ministries and expect to be unavailable for **2 or more weeks** during that period, could you please let us know by texting by 17th March at the latest:

- 8.00 am Service Roster – **Helen Mayes 0403 955 270**
- 9.30 am Service Roster – **Warren Henriks 0474 759 301**

Happy birthday to the following parishioners - Helen Wright, Jean McIntosh, Sandra McAdam.

FOR PRAYER

The health and well-being of those needing immediate prayers:

Susan Restell, Jose, Damian Wyld, Glenys Williams, Bryan Mason, Rhonda Hill, Duane Fowler, Betty Bryson, Debbie Southren, Greg Downton, Anne Pfitzner, Ann and Fred Tee, Marion Ford, Vimla Mukerji, Kathy Fennell, Roland Barker, Jeremy Bollen, Eric Walton, Ron Rockcliffe, Jenny Lawton, Mercedes Siguenza, Aaron Watkins, Max Pontifex, Matthew Pontifex, Fiona, Zarinah.

Those who need ongoing prayers for healing and well-being:

Helen Gummow, Jessie Waters, Donald & Marjory Prince, Beth Morgan, Emily Cahill, Emmett Bollen, Bryan Shillabeer, Cathie, Faith Drodge, Catherine Cooling, Carol Aitken, Malcolm Mayes, Naomi, Vicky Pattie, Jake Drury, Samantha Drury, Nerida Fidock, Brian Gummow, Michaela Kinnoch, Mia, Muriel Taylor and family, Joy Pedlar and family, Sylvia and Bill McDonald, Chris Davies, Robbie Fowler, Flack family, Jean, Cilla Harvey, Joanne Clark and family, Jean Downton and family, Gary Fawcett and family, Mary Turner, Robert Rechner, Melissa Burtenshaw, Peter Morris, Zoe, Jeanette and Allan Canton, Sue Fawcett, Andrew Mitchell, Frances K.

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family:

Leo & Tara Quinn, Jean & John Rechner, Tessa Richmond, Jan Roberts, Denise Robinson and the Pastoral Care team.

Those who have died and whose anniversaries occur at this time.

George Wiedenhofer, Ross Caddy, Frederick Lewis, Robert Nicoll, Patricia Pennock, Janet Watkins, Estelle Breeding, Joe Cox, Rosina Brown, William Stenhouse, William Rigby, Bob Lester.

+ *Rest in peace and rise in glory.*

Requests for prayer should be made to Deb Travis 0450 950 112 (8am service); June Hindmarch 0402 138 694 (9.30am service); or speak to Jean Rechner 0409 816 115 (Thursday service).

Next week's readings

Numbers 21:4-9
Ephesians 3:16-19

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Psalm 107:1-3 17-22
John 3:1-15

ROSTER REMINDER for 9.30am service next Sunday

Reader 1: Elizabeth Owers
Reader 2: Audrey Dewell
Intercessor: Carolyn Datson
Sidespersons: Ralph Nicholls & David Datson
Welcoming: Warren Henriks & Doris de Silva
Morning Tea: David Smith & Jessy Lim

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WEEKLY PEW SHEET	Please forward information to the church email or put a note under the office door by Wednesday.
CHURCH BANK DETAILS	BSB No: 015 300 A/c No: 709007242 A/c Name: St Luke's Church Modbury

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday	Bible Study	10.00am
Tuesday	Holy Communion	8.30am
	Community Garden	9.30am
Wednesday	Foodbank (fortnightly)	10.00am
	Bible Study	10.00am
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00am
	Stretch & Balance class & Christian Meditation (fortnightly)	2.30pm
Friday	Community Garden	9.30am
Community Garden BBQ	1 st Tuesday of the month	11.30am
Bari Worship	1 st & 3 rd Sunday of the month	11.30am
Men's Group	2 nd Thursday of the month	7.30pm