

Anglican Parish of Northern Albury
"To know Christ and make Him known"

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Monday 24th September

1pm – Women's Bible Study – St Mark's

Tuesday 25th September

9.30am – Prayer Group – St John's

10am – Quilters - St James' hall

1pm – Euchre - St John's

Wednesday 26th September

9.30am – Eucharist – St Mark

Thursday 27th September

10am – Eucharist – St James'

7.30pm – Parish Council - Corella St house.

Sunday 30th September

**10am – Parish Eucharist at
St Paul's**

Sentence: Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.

Sunday Collect: God and Father of all, you have taught us through your Son that the last shall be first, and have made a little child the measure of your kingdom: give us the wisdom from above, so that we may understand that in your sight the one who serves is the greatest of all. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Weekly Collect:

Loving Father, whose Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for him: give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, and yet lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

We welcome the Rev'd Bob Done to St James' and St Paul's where he will be taking the services.



Next week's readings:

First Reading: Esther 7: 9-10,9: 20-22

Psalm: 19: 7-14

Second Reading: James 5: 15-20

Gospel: Mark 9: 38-50

FIRST READING: Proverbs 31: 10-31

A reading from Proverbs:

A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle.

She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is

deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

PSALM: 54: Page 276 in the prayer book.

Response: The Lord upholds my life.

SECOND READING: James 3: 1-12

A reading from the letter of James:

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be

tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue--a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia Alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia.

+ GOSPEL St Mark 9: 30-37

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days

after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Pew reflection:

Psalm 1 tells us that those who are neither sinful nor scornful are like trees planted beside streams of water that yield their fruit in due season. It's a lovely image. May you bear fruit that brings glory to God.

- Pray for the courage to avoid all that prevents you from bearing fruit.

ABM: Pray for the Philippine Independent Church, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

CMS: Mark & Rosemary Dickens pray for the marriage enrichment course that will begin later this month, led by gifted lay couples. Pray that the church would provide positive support for married couples under strain.

Our Parish: We ask God's blessing on all involved in the Friends in Action.

Our neighbourhood: We pray for those who live in Jindera.

Thanksgiving: We give thanks that God is always willing to be close to us.

The Parish Roll: Betty Selfe; Wendy Shiels; Margaret Smith; Chris Spence; Jenny Strauss

For those in Special Need: (Names will be left on this list for a month but may be put back on when requested) Barbara & family; Shavaun; Charmaine; Stan; Nola; Val; Murray; Sarah; Dianne; Josh; Pauline; Kathleen; Margaret; Eileen; Bruce; Ben; Austinn

For the recently departed: Olive Baker;

For those whose anniversary of death; occurs this week: Florence Joyce; Eileen Prosser;

Family Service at St John's on the 4th Sunday of the month. Rev'd Catherine Dawson will conduct the service with the focus on families. **This is an extra service, the services at St James' and St Paul's will continue as usual.**

Hymnfest at Yackandandah: Sunday 14th October at 2pm. Admission free.

St Matthew's Fete and Pet show: Sat 6th October – details on Noticeboard.

Thanksgiving envelopes are available from the office.

Archdeacon Catie will be on leave until 26th September. Any queries to Glenda in the Parish Office please.

Jindera Ecumenical service of celebration for 150yrs Sunday 30th September - 11.30 am Jindera Village Green. Urana Street. Opposite St. Paul's church. Please bring own chair. We will have our Combined Sunday service at St Paul's in time for you to attend the celebrations.

Safe Church workshop will take place in Wodonga on 20 October. Registration forms from the Parish office. Please register asap as places are limited.

Valma Johnson (60256208) would like knitting patterns for rugs. Can you help?

Tip Vouchers: We often have need for tip vouchers so if you have any that you don't want please leave them in the Office.