

Anglican Parish of Northern Albury
"To know Christ and make Him known"
7th October 2018 – Pentecost 20
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Tonight (7th October)

7pm – Old Time Dance - St James'

Monday 8th October

1pm – Women's Bible Study – St Mark's

Tuesday 9th October

9.30am – Prayer Group – St John's

10am – Quilters - St James' hall

1pm – Euchre - St John's

Wednesday 10th October

9.30am – Eucharist – St Mark

9am – Friends in Action – leave St Paul's

Thursday 11th October

10am – Eucharist – St James'

Saturday 13th October

8am – Men's Breakfast – St James'

6pm – Contemplative service – St James'

Sunday 14th October

8.30am – Eucharist – St James'

10am – Daily Prayer on Sunday – St Mark's

10.30am – Eucharist – St Paul's

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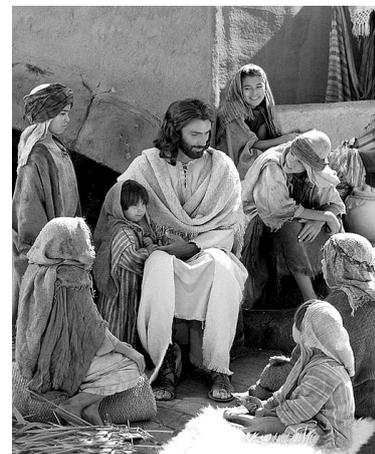
Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.

Sunday Collect:

O God, your Son has taught us that we must receive your sovereign rule like a little child: help us to turn to you in faith and simplicity of heart, so that we may receive your blessing and enter the kingdom your Son has promised; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **Amen.**

Weekly Collect:

Generous God, whose hand is open to fill all things living with plenteousness: make us ever thankful for your goodness, and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Let the little children come to me

FIRST READING: Job 1: 1, 2: 1-10

A reading from the book of Job:

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life." So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

PSALM: 128 Page 363 in the Prayer book.

Response: May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 1: 1-4,2: 5-12

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews:

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but

we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia Alleluia!

If we love one another,
God will live in us in perfect love.

Alleluia.

+ GOSPEL St Mark 10: 2-16

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command

you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

ABM: Pray for ABM's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander partners, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

CMS: Colin & Catherine Puffett pray for deepening relationships and unity of vision following their church camp and vision setting last weekend.

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

Our neighbourhood: We pray for those who live in St John's Green.

Thanksgiving: Give thanks for those in the world who are less fortunate but still give to the needy. Pray that God will bless them abundantly.

The Parish Roll: Jacqui Veitch; Nancye & Leslie Waldron; Philip & Lyn Walther; Alison Williams; Harold & Pam Wilson

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; Charmaine; Stan; Nola; Val; Murray; Sarah; Dianne; Josh; Pauline; Kathleen; Margaret; Eileen; Bruce; Ben; Austinn; Judy; Shavaun;

For the recently departed:

For those whose anniversary of death; occurs this week: Jack Sheridan;

Next week's readings:

First Reading: Job 23: 1-9, 16-17

Psalm: 90: 11-17

Second Reading: Hebrews 4: 12-16

Gospel: Mark 10: 17-31

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

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 **crochet** patterns for rugs. Can you help?

Melbourne Cup Luncheon: Tuesday 6th November at noon. Cost \$20. Items for the hamper please.

Invitation to attend the installation of Canons on 21st October at 6pm at the Cathedral. Details on noticeboard.

Pew reflection:

As Jesus moves further afield, his teachings, yet again, come under the scrutiny of those preoccupied with legalisms. Seeking to drive a wedge between his teachings and those of the Jewish Torah and of the state, they test him. In his retort, Jesus affirms the equality of women and men and the sanctity of their union as grounded in creation. Legalisms can be restrictive and lead to exclusion whereas the love of God transcends human boundaries. Jesus drives home the point by rebuking his disciples for their exclusion of the little children and his welcoming of them with open arms.