

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

9<sup>th</sup> September 2018 – Pentecost 16

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**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

1pm – Women's Bible Study – St Mark's

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

9.30am – Prayer Group – St John's

10am – Quilters - St James' hall

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

9.30am – Eucharist – St Mark

8.30am – Friends in Action – leave St Paul's

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

10am – Eucharist – St James'

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

8.30am – Eucharist – St John's

10am – Eucharist – St Mark's

**Sentence:**

So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty.

**Sunday Collect:**

O God, whose word is life, and whose delight is to answer our cry: give us faith like that of the woman who refused to remain an outsider, so that we too may

have the wit to argue and demand that our children be made whole, through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**Weekly Collect:**

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and so great dangers that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

We welcome the family and friends of

**Samantha June Fletcher**

and

**Sophia Jane Willis-Owen**

who will be baptized at St James' today



**FIRST READING:****Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23****A reading from Proverbs:**

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the Lord pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**PSALM: 146: Page 377 in the Prayer book.**

**Response: Praise the Lord, my soul.**

**SECOND READING: James 2: 1-10,14-17****A reading from the letter of James:**

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please,"

while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia Alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good news of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

**Alleluia.**

## **+ GOSPEL St Mark 7: 24-37**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go--the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in

the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

### *Pew reflection:*

The Psalmist tells us that King David will call the Almighty his father, his God, and his salvation. May we too have an intimate relationship with God, one that is also filled with awe for his saving power.

- Pray that everyone may deepen their relationship with God this year.

**ABM:** Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

**CMS: K & M** pray for ongoing growth and protection for the Young Life work in Kathmandu.

**Our Parish:** We ask God's blessing on all involved in the Prayer fellowship.

**Our neighbourhood:** We pray for those who live in Glenroy.

**Thanksgiving:** We give thanks that God's love can be the driving force in our lives.

**The Parish Roll:** Eileen Parascos; Bev & Bill Perry; Margaret & Max Petts; Rod & Elizabeth Pike; Aileen Purdie

**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; Pearl; Margaret; Eileen; Bruce

**For the recently departed:**

**For those whose anniversary of death; occurs this week:** Maryann Priest; Joyce Evans; Bill Couch; Geoff Petschler; Peter Bauerle; Reginald Norman

**Family Service at St John's on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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' & St Paul's will continue as usual.**

**Hymnfest at Yackandandah:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm. Admission free.

**St Matthew's Fete and Pet show:** Sat 6<sup>th</sup> October – details on Noticeboard.

**Thanksgiving envelopes are available from the office.**

**BCA Boxes:** Please return your boxes by the 9<sup>th</sup> September. Is there anyone who would like to take over collecting them twice a year??

**Court House Coffee:** Can you help in this outreach to the Public? We need helpers on Mondays & Tuesday 9am – 11.30am. For more details and offers of help please see Pam Wilson or Laine Lindner.

**Archdeacon Catie** will be at Clergy Conference and then on leave from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September. Any queries to Glenda in the Parish Office please.

**Next week's readings:**

**First Reading: Proverbs 1: 20-33**

**Psalm: 123**

**Second Reading: James 2: 18-26**

**Gospel: Mark 8: 27-38**

