

14 May 2023

**Our mission is to:**

*Shine with the love of Jesus, grow mature  
disciples and declare the Good News.*

## **A prayer for Mother's Day**

Lord, we remember the mothers  
who have gone before us.

**For their love, sacrifice, struggle  
and joy, we thank you.**

Lord, we remember the mothers of  
Scripture who are a part of our story  
as we are a part of your story.

**For their courage, faith, love and  
fierceness, we thank you.**

Lord, we remember those who have not  
given birth to us, but are mothers to us.

**For their gift of themselves that they  
have given, we thank you.**

For the women who struggle with  
fertility, for those women whom  
society labels as less in their childlessness,  
for those women who have lost children.

**For their tears, for their strength,  
for their wisdom, for their lives,  
we thank you.**

In your name we pray. Amen.

*by Claire Schoepp*



## **Bible reading for Sunday 21 May: Acts 1.1-11**

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## **Two Great Seminars**

### ***Depression and the Psalms of Lament***

On Friday, 19 May Dr Rico Villanueva, an excellent presenter, is speaking on Depression and the Psalms of Lament. It will be at Cross Culture Church, 333 Swanston Street, CBD, 6.30pm – 8.30pm. All welcome.

### ***Missional Reading of Scripture***

On Tuesday, 23 May Dr Chris Wright, well known Old Testament scholar, will speak on Missional Reading of Scripture: How does it work with the scepticism of Ecclesiastes? Venue: St Thomas's Burwood, 10am – 11.30am. Please RSVP to Anita at [jumbunna-pa@melbourneanglican.org.au](mailto:jumbunna-pa@melbourneanglican.org.au).

## **Alpha is starting on Tuesday**

This Tuesday is the start of Alpha and we have got a wonderful team and lots of people interested in coming. There are still places available so please continue to pray about who the Holy Spirit is prompting you to ask to bring along. It starts at 11.15 am but you can come for a cuppa from 11.00 am and will finish at 12.45 pm. The Alpha course is a series of discussions run over 15 weeks that explores questions around God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the Bible and so much more. Each session includes a two course, extremely yummy meal. Please keep the team and the participants in your prayers. Also, please pray for Jaqueline and her team at Matt's place for protection as they are a significant part of the team.



## **Our thoughts at prayers are with:**

Bernard, Jaqueline and Nicholas as they grieve the death of Pat, Bernard's father. Please uphold them in your prayers.

## **Mother's day**

Mother's Day 2023 falls on Sunday May 14th. We will be observing this special day at both the 10am service at St Chad's and the 11am service at St Aidan's, as an opportunity to pay tribute to our mother's, living and deceased, and to thank God for them. As you enter the church on Mother's Day please take a Chrysanthemum (white if your mother is deceased or red if your mother is living) to pin on.

**Pantry 5000 Food of the Week** Cereal and instant noodles

### **Farewell for Bec Featonby**

On Sunday 4 June we will be saying farewell to Bec as a staff member (she will take some holidays but continue to be part of our Church). We will have some time thanking Bec and praying for her in our service and have a pot luck lunch after the 10.00 am service. If you would like to donate towards a gift for her, could you please place it in an envelope and hand it into the office or put it in the offering plate.

### **Pantry 5000 Needs Your Help**

Pantry 5000 has experienced a big increase in the requests for support. Compared to last year we have seen an increase of over 30% in the number of people to whom we are providing support. Since January the numbers of people seeking support has risen to 200 – 230 each week. As well as the increase in demand, the costs of providing food has increased markedly. We are finding it more and more challenging to provide enough food each week. Please try and help by purchasing one or two extra food items each week and donating them to Pantry 5000. This would be greatly appreciated.

### **Inter-Church Council Pentecost Service...**

...will be at 2:30 pm on Sunday 28 May at St Chad's

**Come and celebrate** the Gift of the Holy Spirit and Birth of the Church Fellowship and afternoon refreshments follow the service, please bring a plate to share. If you could help with any of the usual rostered positions in the service or if you could help in the kitchen afterwards with afternoon tea please let Sue, Jaqueline or Bec know.

### **Winter Warmers Hampers News**

Last Saturday, the Winter Warmers team started packing the winter hampers (knitted items, blankets, food voucher etc.) to give to families who are in need. At the beginning of the day, it seemed that there was not enough items to fill the hampers for every family. Prayers were prayed and by the end of the first packing day, it was like the feeding of the 5000 as each hamper was filled and there was just enough. God certainly does answer our prayers.

### **Happy Birthday...**

Michael Klaproth, Bruce Russell, Chris Beattie, Hannah Littler

### **Next market: May 20**

**Start planning what you can make, bake or grow!**

## Services in the church

10am at St Chad's every Sunday

8am at St Chad's 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month

11am at St Aidan's 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

## This week in the church

Mon	9:30am	Pastoral Care Meeting
Tues	10:45am	Matt's Place at St Chad's
Tues	11:15am	Lunch Church/alpha & Bible Study
Wed	9:30am—1:30pm	Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's
Wed	1pm	Church Prayer Meeting
Thurs	10-11:30am	Playgroup (Fantastic Fancy Dress)
Thurs	7-8:30pm	Singing group at St Chad's (11 & 25 May)
Fri	10:00am	Quilting and Craft Group at St Chad's (19 May)

## Soon in the church

6 & 13 May	Winter Warmer Hamper packing at St Aidan's
16 May	11:15am Alpha starts at Lunch Church
20 May	9:00am-12:30pm Church Market
28 May	Inter-church Pentecost Service
24 June	Postie Party fundraiser for our church
July 16	Wayne and Carol's Musical Extravaganza
13 August	MoJo fundraising concert at St Aidan's for WWH

### Prayer Chain requests—Christine Taylor 0407 725 692

**Ongoing prayer**—email requests to Jaqueline or Sue

**Pastoral care**—Sue Bluett 0433 024 626

**Prayer has been requested for:** Cam, Charlie, Del, Doug, Ellie-May, Emma, Evie, Hunter & Stefanie, Jasmine, Jessica, Kayden & Elisabeth, Kim, Louise, Michelle, Nigel & Chris, Pat, Phoebe, Rachel, Sandra, Stephen T, Sue, Wayne, Will

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