

Vicar

Rev Judith Marriott
Tel: 9589 4740
Mob: 0412 991 808

Churchwardens

For any suggestions or special contributions Contact:

Barbara Burton
9585 2758

Ian Dennehy
9589 3366

See our website
www.beaumarisanglican.net

Church Office

Leonie Dekker
9.30 am - 2.30 pm
Tuesday only this week
9589 3094

Email

beaumarisanglican@westnet.com.au

Beaumaris Anglican Church

*.....making connections for life
with God and each other*

Welcome to our church.
Please stay after the services for a cuppa and chat.

Dear Friends,

I hope your Lenten journey is progressing well – with penance and the joy of the Easter to come. Pray often, fast and make time to be with God.

Probably the thing we find most difficult in our lives is to take 15 minutes a day to pray, but it brings incredible peace.

This is what Jesus did, went somewhere quiet and prayed, fasting and being with God. Just like us, he experienced great temptations, but he did not sin. So during Lent we focus on renewing our relationship with God as we companion Jesus to the cross and then the glorious resurrection.

Bless you and yours,

Judith

Diary Dates—March

Mark in your diary the 6 week Lenten Study group you would like to join,

Mon	8	10-noon	Playgroup
		1.15-2.45pm	Lenten study Gleadell Room led by Rev'd Judith
		4-6 pm	Lenten study Gleadell Room led by Leslie Gribble
		8-9.30 pm	Lenten study Gleadell Room led by Brian Burton
Tue	9	8 pm	Impress Community Choir
Wed	10	7.30 pm	Vestry
Thu	11	10-11.30 am	Mainly Music
Fri	12	2-3.30 pm	Lenten study—18 Anita St. led by Margaret Goode
Sat	13	6 pm	Holy Communion
Sun	14	9 am	Holy Communion BCA Sunday with Rev'd Greg Jones
		11 am	Contemporary Service

Prayer Points:

- Our Vicar Judith, her husband Anthony and their daughters Amelia and Lily.
- For all in the church who are unwell.
- For the journey of all Christians through this season of Lent
- Playgroup and Mainly Music leaders and helpers
- For Vestry who meet on Wednesday as they lead the church.

Are You In Need of Prayers?

St. Michael's Church has a faithful group who support anyone asking for God's help. Joy Taylor the Care Group Co-ordinator and the team (listed on page 4,) will support you with prayers after the services or by phoning a member on the Prayer Circle. All prayer requests are confidential.

"The March issue of TMA (The Melbourne Anglican) is now available in the foyer/narthex.

Read about current topics of interest to all church goers.
\$1.00 donation would be gratefully appreciated.

St. Michael & All Angels

Cnr Martin St & Dalgetty Rd, Beaumaris, Vic 3193

Sentence: Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near. Isaiah 55.6

Prayer of the Day:

**God, the fountain of life,
to a humanity parched with thirst
you offer the living water that springs from the Rock,
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit,
that we may profess our faith with freshness
and announce with joy the wonder of your love.
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.**

Thinking about our offerings to God

“Nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 8.39

How deeply God loves us! God loves us in spite of our sins and our mess and our muddle. God loves us through thick and thin. Sometimes we cut and run away from God, but never does God say about us: “I’ve had enough of those ungrateful so-and-sos, I’m cancelling what Jesus did for them.” God loves us completely and for ever.

And love from God calls for love from us in return. Our offerings to God are our presents to someone who loves us. We’re not bribing God to treat us right – God always treats us better than we deserve. We’re not sweet-talking God to overlook our faults – our sins are forgiven already. Our offerings are meant to say, “Dear God, I love you, too.”

Giving at St Michael’s: The recommended and easiest way to give at St. Michael’s is by direct giving from your bank account. This is arranged by “Auto-ADF” at no cost to you or the church. Forms to arrange this are at the back of the church. You then put a provided voucher in the plate each week to indicate you have given direct. If you have any questions talk with Sandra Peters our Treasurer on 9598 9970

We collect corks and used stamps: These are delivered to CMS — Christian Missionary Society who sort and sell them for recycling. The money they receive from the corks and stamps goes to supporting their mission work.

Fair Trade coffee produced by the coffee workers in East Timor: Available now! \$6.50 per packet, grounded for your plunger. Please buy this excellent coffee and support the workers in East Timor. Available in the foyer or ask Barbara 9585 2758

QUINCES IN THE VICARAGE READY TO GO!!

If you would like to come and pick Quinces just ask Judith. We have to be very careful not to let the DOG out.

**EASTER ROSTER (See back page for dates)
ARE YOU AVAILABLE FOR DUTIES OVER EASTER?
PLEASE ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST IN THE FOYER.
THE EASTER ROSTER NEEDS TO BE PREPARED IN MARCH**

Sandra

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

Do you like arranging flowers? Would you like to be part of the flower group?

During Lent and Advent we do not have flowers in the church, so while we have a break, there will be a morning tea to chat about flowers and arranging. You are very welcome to come along.
Saturday 27th March, 10-11 am. Gleadell Room.

MONTHLY LUNCH—PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY

The B.B.Q. last Sunday was a great success and we thoroughly enjoyed the company of the Rev Raymond and Rev Bobbie Moore

The last Sunday at 12 noon all congregations come together over a BBQ lunch. Delicious. If you are coming it helps for catering if you add your name on the list in the Foyer. Your friends are welcome too.

The first reading:**Isaiah 55.1-9**

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my

thoughts than your thoughts.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

† † † †

Psalm 63.1-8

- 1 O God, you are my God:
eagerly will I seek you.
- 2 My soul thirsts for you, my flesh
longs for you:
as a dry and thirsty land where no
water is.
- 3 So it was when I beheld you in the
sanctuary:
and saw your power and your glory.
- 4 For your unchanging goodness is
better than life:
therefore my lips shall praise you.
- 5 And so I will bless you as long as I
live:
and in your name will I lift my hands
on high.
- 6 My longing shall be satisfied as with
marrow and fatness:
my mouth shall praise you with
exultant lips.
- 7 When I remember you upon my bed:
when I meditate upon you in the
night watches,
- 8 How you have been my helper:
then I sing for joy in the shadow of
your wings.

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to*

Luke 13.1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.' "

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Readings for next week:

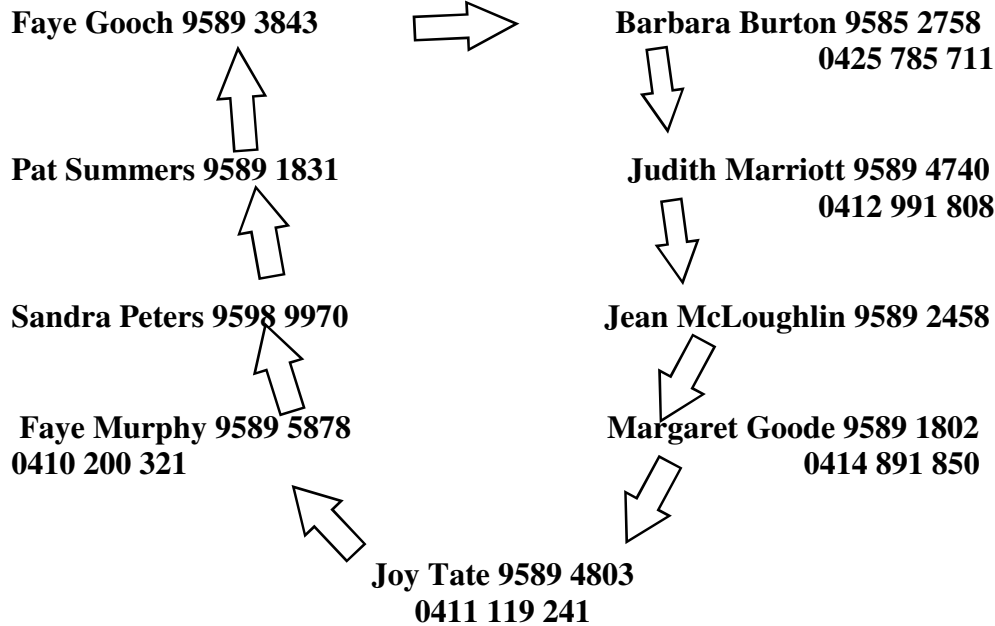
Josh 5.2-12

Ps 32

Luke 15.11-32

St Michael and All Angels Prayer Chain

Among the community of St. Michael's is a circle of parishioners who will pray Confidentially on behalf of those seeking comfort for a serious illness, operation, grief or other conditions. Ring anyone on the prayer chain.



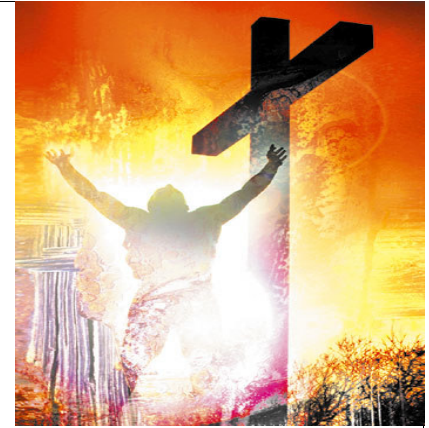
Cursillo Reunion meets at 9.30am on the second Wednesday of the month

THANK YOU!!!
To those who lead our Lenten studies

Mexican Postcards: All the news from Charlie and Kathryn Fletcher can be found in their Mexican Postcards, on the Mission notice board in the foyer.

Holy Week & Easter

28 March-4 April 2010



Sunday 28 March

9am Holy Communion and hymns
11am Connections and BBQ lunch at 12 noon
please come you are welcome

Monday 29 March

5-6pm Praying for the Journey - Church

Tuesday 30 March

5-6pm Praying for the Journey - Church

Wednesday 31 March

5-6pm Praying for the Journey - Church

Thursday 1 April - Maundy Thursday

7.30 pm The Last Supper & Foot Washing

Friday 2 April - Good Friday

9 am Worship
10.30am Easter witness walk commencing at Stella Maris Catholic and ending at St Michaels around 12 noon. With Refreshments.

Sunday 4 April - Easter Day

6 am Lighting of the new fire & Holy Communion
7 am **Free** Hot Breakfast. Please put your name on the list in the foyer if you are attending for catering purposes.
9 am Holy Communion with traditional hymns
11 am Contemporary worship and songs with children time