

PARISH NEWS

St Paul's Church, 40 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood 3134

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Renovations have begun to repair the verandah at the Parish House.



Our Mission:

Rejoicing in God;
Father, Son
and Holy Spirit,
we dedicate
ourselves
to
worship,
spiritual
formation
and
pastoral care
within the church
community,
local community
and the world.



New
brickwork
— nearly
finished!

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The Vicar's Farewell

This is the text of Ken Ogden's tribute to Michael on behalf of the parish, delivered at the farewell service on 15 April 2018.

Michael came to Melbourne from Caboolture in Queensland in 2008 as vicar of the parish of Ringwood and Park Orchards.

He wasn't to know that the following year, Ringwood Park Orchards would merge with the parish of Djerrnong to form what we now know as the Mullum Mullum parish.

Some mergers work, and some don't. This one did - in fact in the Diocese it is regarded as one of the most successful. And Michael deserves a lot of the credit for that success.

Michael made sure that it was truly a merger - there was never any sense of it being a "takeover", and no "sense of them and us".

The merger occurred for a good reason - both parishes recognised, in response to prayer, that they could do more together than what they could do apart. Michael ensured that we achieved this outcome.

In short order, we took Parish House back to use for parish activities, we bought the Hub building and put it to good use. Michael led changes in the youth ministry - culminating in the appointment of Shannon. He built upon the ministry to the aged. And so on - I can't list all of the changes, but certainly Michael did all he could to make sure that the goals of merger were achieved.

The result is that today there are probably as many members of this parish who have joined since the merger as were in either of the parishes beforehand. A great achievement Michael - you deserve a great deal of the credit: thank you.

And then of course there was the building project, that produced this wonderful space. We were warned that in other places vicars had been greatly distracted from their primary role by having to become a de-facto project manager - a task that is not within their job description.

This, thankfully, that didn't happen here (though we all had our moments I suppose!). Michael certainly played a full and active part in the work of the building committee, and committed fully within his areas of expertise (electronics, communications, worship spaces, etc).

But, to his credit, he recognised that others had complementary skills, and he was happy to delegate and work with the lay members of the parish in bringing the project to completion.

Now, of course, all of these attributes - team leadership, vision, delegation - are essentially secular in nature, and what you would expect of a good manager or CEO.

But Michael is also our spiritual leader.

Shannon has described him as a "man of God". And could I say that I have rarely heard anyone, ordained or lay, speak so openly and freely of (to use his words at the communion service) his "knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus".

And this has translated into scholarship and teaching, all within the context of what he would probably call "orthodox theology". To use a recent example, anyone heard his recent Good Friday sermon, or who had joined Michael in a Lenten study or small group discussion will know what I'm talking about.

I could go on - I could mention how approachable he is, his friendly smile, his empathy with those in need, his determination .. and I'd probably have to say something about apps!

My 2 minutes is probably up. But before I conclude, I want to crib an extra few seconds to also acknowledge Alison.

Because it's not just Michael who's going - Alison is too.

Alison, we know that you have been a tower of strength for Michael - and vice versa. But you are much more than the proverbial "vicar's wife" - you are a valued, much-loved and important member of the parish in your own right. You've been a good friend to many, and we're going to miss you too.

So to both Michael and Alison, could I say on behalf of the parishioners - thank you for all that you have been and all that you have done in this community over the last 10 years, and we wish you every success and happiness in the future. Could I finish with the words Michael uses at the start of every service - may the Lord be with you.



Many hands make light work!!

Moving the toy shed for mainly music to its new position.



Around the Parish: For your Diary:

**Mullum Mullum Men's Lunch Group
12.30pm Thursday 28th June
at
THE RINGWOOD CLUB**

Lunch will be in the usual casual format, being a good chance to come together for a meal, a chat and a drink if desired.

All welcome. If you're not a Ringwood Club member you can just sign in.

Order and pay for your own meal.

Please advise Alan Lade (usually at 10am service) or Peter Le Get (usually at 8am) if you wish to attend.

The Parish trivia night will be on Saturday 22nd September see page 7.

"Singularity" will be giving a concert 2.00pm on Sunday 19th August



St Paul's Parish Players are now preparing for their major production on Saturday 4th August. See details page 6.

Vale

Bernice Marguerite Jamieson [nee Dickson]

1.11.1926 - 11.5.2018

A Celebration of the Life of Bernice was held at St Paul's on 17th May.



Bernice was born in Ringwood and lived just over the road from the current Church in Warrandyte road. This was in the early days and through the depression.

Her son David mentioned that Bernice could see the Ringwood clock tower from her front gate when it was in its original location in the middle of the intersection of Warrandyte Road and Maroondah Highway. She was later part of the campaign to relocate the clock tower, now a Ringwood icon, onto its new site where the cool stores once stood. According to legend, of her own telling, she could ride her bike down the hill, around the clocktower and back home without once touching the handle bars!



Bernice studied at MacRobertson Girls High, but did not complete Matric. She left to start nursing training at Royal Melbourne Hospital after having her appendix out and observing the fun the nurses seemed to be having. This was a defining decision because forever after, even in her final years, her self-image as a nurse never faded, even when so much else was lost. After the RMH, she travelled to London for further training at St Bart's Hospital - then backpacking around a devastated post-war UK and Europe. She married Norm Jamieson, a local lad, and they built their house in Wonga Road.

In the 1970's [after the abolition of University fees] Bernice completed her Matric and then enrolled in a BA at Melbourne University specialising in German politics between the wars. She thrived in the University environment and the political and feminist ferment at the time. She was in her element. After her university studies, she applied herself to community activities aimed at supporting unemployed youth homelessness and other causes. She then became very active in the Australian Democrats and worked hard in committees, campaigning and organising.

In 1981, she and Norm visited the UK and later enjoyed travelling in the Middle East. After Norm passed away, she continued at Wonga Road and driving around in her blue Rover. When this became too much for her, she spent the final decade of her life at Opal Gracedale in North Ringwood.

Within the St Paul's Parish, Bernice was on Vestry, a Churchwarden and Parish Treasurer over a number of years.

As Andrew concluded at the Service — *With quiet focus and determination, throughout her life, all that Mum accomplished and achieved was always accompanied by love.*

Our prayers are with David, Elizabeth and Andrew and their families.

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A service of Thanksgiving for the life of Charles "Kirk" Ritchie who died on 11th June, was held at St Paul's on Friday 15th June. Kirk had moved to Pakenham in recent months to be closer to his family.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Our prayers are also with Judith Macpherson and her family after the death of her father, Frank.. A moving service was celebrated at St Paul's on 1st June.

Chibobo Maternity Clinic is up and running —

As promised, when Kirsteen began this project of building the Clinic and Nurses' home, the Government have provided the nurses to run the clinic.



The medical clinic at Chibobo, Zambia, has been constructed by the community. The land was generously given to the community by the local chief. It is located on the main road, opposite the Chibobo Basics School. Built of locally made and fired bricks, with a metal roof, the clinic provides access to much needed medical facilities in this remote area.



The clinic, consists of a waiting area, medical officer's room, treatment/store room and reception. Toilets have been constructed, and a medical officer's house built. The clinic is staffed by a medical officer and nurse.

The clinic is powered by a 1kw solar system

Even before its opening the clinic has become the centre for medical activity in the Chibobo community. Pre- and Ante-Natal clinics have been held on the site. This is a vast

improvement from the previous arrangements. An open sided thatched building was all that was available for the clinics to be held, and most of the community only had access to medical treatment if they travelled to Serenje, over 20km away.



# ST. PAUL'S PLAYERS

*St. Paul's Players consider what it takes to be a hero -*

## **“HERO TECH: WHERE JOURNEYS BEGIN”**

*The ‘Richmond School for Heroes’ was facing a crisis, could a new principal and a new policy save the school?*

*- featuring songs from ‘Hercules’, ‘The Wiz’, ‘The King and I’ and more.*

### **SATURDAY - 4th August**

### **2 PM & 7:30PM**

### **ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

### **40 WARRANDYTE ROAD RINGWOOD**

**Adult**  
**\$20**

**Concession**  
**\$15**

**Family(2+2)**  
**\$55**

**Proceeds will assist the in the provision of a companion dog for Rhys Barnett (through ‘Dogs for Kids with Disabilities’)**

Table seating

BYO Drinks and ‘nibbles’

Tea / Coffee & cake served at interval

### **BOOKINGS**

garyshort@hotmail.com

Church Office: 9870 2093

dogs making a difference for kids



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# ??? TRIVIA NIGHT !!!!

Fun for all ages!  
**Saturday, 22nd September**  
**7.00pm for a 7.15 start**

Organise your tables NOW. (maximum size 10 per table)

If you have 12 people or more you want to invite, make a table of two groups.

Sign up sheets available in the Narthex

Bring along small change for games.

There will be a silent auction\*\*

**All funds raised will assist in the provision of a companion dog for Rhys Barnett**  
**[through 'Dogs for Kids with Disabilities']**

\*\*If you have items for the auction,  
could you please leave them at the church office clearly marked 'trivia night?'

## Message from a former Curate at St Paul's

Father Kenneth Crawford of Darlington Parish, Durham writes about his son, Alexander, who was baptised at St Paul's during Kenneth's curacy.:

"Please greet everyone for me. Yes, we're very thrilled about Alexander's forthcoming ordination. He was Liturgical Assistant to the Dean and Precentor at Durham Cathedral for four years and was the Crucifer at the enthronement of the Bishop of Durham in 2013.

Attached is a picture of him as Chaplain for the visit of the Archbishop of York in 2016. It doesn't seem so long since we brought our new little son to his baptism at St Paul's - only 29 years ago.

He attended Durham University and graduated in 2011 with first class honours in Theology, and then suddenly got the appointment at the Cathedral. The whole Cathedral staff can't wait for 1st July!"

[Proud father in the background]

Fr Kenneth moved from Pershore Abbey in Worcester to Darlington, Durham in 2014.



## Treasured Babies Program – Donations Sought

The Treasured Babies Program, (part of Red Nose Grief and Loss), support parents who lose a baby pre-term by supplying specially handmade and sized clothing. Parents can dress and care for their deceased baby and create valuable memories.

This group of volunteers, shop front in Mooroolbark, need fabrics for their delicate work. Please see Libby Martin for more information on types of materials needed; not all fabrics are suitable. If you have a sewing cupboard you may have some material to spare for this program.



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### TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC

10am Thursday 28th June



For a music session and morning tea

*Bring a favourite teddy or other soft toy if you have one*

### A Working with Children Card (WWC)

is mandatory for ANYONE who is doing  
ANYTHING IN THE NAME OF THE CHURCH  
which brings them into contact with people.

If you already have a current WWC, you must have Mullum Parish registered as an authorized organization.

**If people fail to obtain a card then we will have no alternative but to ask them to cease doing what they are doing.**

The WWC is free and the office can assist you in applying for the card.

### MORNING PRAYER

This prayer book service is held every Tuesday in the Chapel - starting at 10.15am

followed by Tea/Coffee. A simple, short service lead by parishioners.

All welcome.





## A Lasting Gift - to the Parish.

In the past few years I have had enquiries from different people who have wanted to leave the parish a bequest in their wills. This made me reflect how I had seen many parishes blessed by people who have left the parish a bequest from their estate. In our own parish of Mullum Mullum we have been left a number of bequests in the past few years. These bequests have enabled us to maintain our ministry and pastoral care both within the parish and in the wider community.

The wardens and I felt that it would be prudent to have an information brochure produced to help people who were interested in leaving a bequest to the parish. This brochure is available in the information display stand in the foyer of the church. You can also contact the parish office if you would like one posted to you or you could contact the vicar if you have any questions.

Michael



## mainly music

Want something to do on a Thursday morning, that is fun, friendly and **Super Awesome**, then come check out **mainly music!** We need YOUR help!

If you can pick up a toy, bake a biscuit, direct traffic, cut up fruit, or draw with crayons you are more than qualified!

Let Shannon know if you are interested! There are many jobs and things to do - there is bound to be something to fit your gift and skill set!

[Not during School Holidays]

If you can do any of these occasionally or regularly we'd love to talk to you.

Contact: Karen Waterson on 0419 587 160 or see any team member



*One Child  
One Hour  
One church  
One School*

**World Vision**

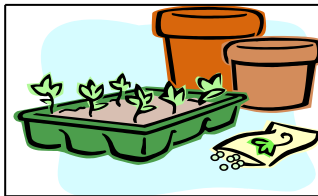
KIDS HOPE AUS. Is a mentoring program aimed at developing emotional and social resilience in children, thereby enhancing their capacity to learn. The Kids Hope Aus. model is built on a long-term partnership between a local primary school and a local church. Carefully screened and trained mentors from the partner church meet the children for one hour per week at the school.

This usually involves helping the child with homework, playing games, arts and crafts, or just spending time together.

**The results? Changed lives! Interested?**

**Training available - there is an urgent need for more volunteers. Speak to Shannon**

# Classifieds



## Branch Out Nursery

Quality plants and Terracotta Pots at Discount Prices  
 191 Warrandyte Road, North Ringwood, Vic, 3134  
 Telephone: 9876 3479



15 Milne Place,  
 Nth Ringwood  
 Phone: 9876 2318



## MMA Op Shop

Come and explore the  
 Medical Mission Aid Op Shop at  
 301 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn 3103

Collectables, Treasures, Quality used clothes, books,  
 haberdashery, manchester

Open 10:00am to 4:00pm weekdays,  
 10:00am to 12:00pm Saturdays



**HIGH Heathmont Inter Church Help** is a voluntary welfare  
 organisation run by the four local Christian churches.

We provide practical care and support for those local people who are  
 in need. Mullum Mullum Parish is the Anglican Partner.

We operate from our own

**Opportunity Shop at**

**136 Canterbury Road, HEATHMONT.**

Everything is run by volunteers and all the proceeds of the shop are used for the  
 care programs. We also rely on direct donations and a small number of grants from  
 philanthropic groups.



### Working Bee

Monthly working bees are held at St Paul's  
 9:00am - 12:00 noon on the first Saturday of  
 each month.

There is always plenty of work to be done  
 throughout the property.  
 Choose the job that suits you.  
 Regular tasks include: mowing, weeding, cleaning  
 gutters, pruning & planting.

Contact David Mangan if you need  
 further information or phone the office

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Next Parish News  
 deadline is  
 26th August 2018  
 Please e-mail any articles to  
[office@mullumanglicanparish.org](mailto:office@mullumanglicanparish.org)  
 or leave them in the  
 office pigeon hole.

**INSIDE CARS**  
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 - Convertible tops  
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 - Car seats  
 - Motorcycle seats  
**Adam Fairbrother**  
 - 0433 556 782  
 - 40 Warrandyte Rd,  
 Ringwood 3134

### Weekly Walking Groups

**Tuesdays 9.30am**

Meeting at the Bandstand at Ringwood Lake -  
 contact Sheila Boots 9870 2628 .

We meet for coffee after the walk at the  
 Laurent cafe at Eastland.

[near Myers 2nd floor]

**Wednesdays 9.00am** with St Stephen's -

Contact Bobby Smart 9870 2156

### Fancy a sojourn in the sun?

Apartment for rent in Main Beach, Qld  
 Ground floor, 2 bedrooms + two bathrooms,  
 balcony.

"Mates Rates" for the Parish family  
 10% donated back to the parish.

Further details:

Judith Macpherson 0402 353 828



ANGLICAN  
MOTHERS UNION  
AUSTRALIA

Sharing Christ's love by encouraging, strengthening and supporting  
Marriage and Family life.

We meet on the Third Thursday of the Month  
12.30pm in the Fellowship area  
BYO lunch.

You are welcome to join us!  
Contacts: Elaine Longford or Carol Baxter

### EMBROIDERY GROUP

Meet in the Parish House  
Fourth Friday of the month  
[not January]  
BYO craft  
All Welcome



Further Information:  
Judith Reid  
or Margaret Southey

### ALMS BASKET

We need your help

Please remember those of our own  
community

who are in desperate need of food;

Monday Lunch clients,

HICH clients and Refugees.

Just add something extra to your  
shopping basket.

Some Ideas: Tin of Tomatoes,  
Baked Beans or Spaghetti. Jam,  
Peanut Butter or Vegemite.

Pasta, Rice, Breakfast Cereal,

Pasta Sauce.

Long life Milk, tin of Tuna or Fruit.



In order to reduce paper consumption, the Parish News is also available in colour on our Parish website.

Have you checked out the  
Parish Website lately?  
[www.mullumanglicanparish.org](http://www.mullumanglicanparish.org)

### We collect used stamps for ABM.

There is a glass container in the Narthex in which stamps can be placed. Please cut from the envelope and leave 1cm of paper around the edge of each stamp. All stamps, both overseas and Australian are collected.

Any queries, please speak with Margaret Southey  
or Judith Macpherson.



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Admission to Communion  
Confirmation,  
Weddings  
and Funerals  
By appointment  
with the  
Locum

**SERVICES**

Sundays 8:00am Holy Communion  
10:00am Holy Communion  
10.00am All Age Service with Holy Communion [1st Sunday of the month]

Tuesdays 10.15am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Wednesdays 10:30am Holy Communion

Sunday School 10.00am [not in school holidays]

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