

PRAYER POINTS-LET'S PRAY:

For the Church around the World: Butare - (Rwanda), **The Rt Revd Nathan Gasatura**. Bishop Alexis Bilindabagabo and Bishop Manasseh Gahima in the Gahini Diocese in Rwanda and our link parishes of Musenyi and Karangazi.

For the church in our Diocese and Parish: The Bishop's Election Board, the Deans, the Archdeacons, the Regional Deans, the Canons, the Registrar and Registry staff. Our rector the Venerable Graham Knott & June, our Deacon Rev'd Dr. Graham Toohill & Sue and our lay minister Ms Belinda Seabrook.

For organisations helping people and others: international peace-for talks before conflict-for better relationships and volunteer workers abroad. The work of Amnesty International. Anglican Communion Peace and Justice Network.

For our missionaries: Ingrid ten Hoopen serving in India with Mukti Mission currently on leave in Australia. Mal, Jenny, Erinn & Alicia Watts serving with SIM in Sydney- Hearing back from serving missionaries as they visit the office for Team Time are special times and they praise God for the way He is using so many around the world. Please pray for SIM Burkina Faso with some serious financial concerns with their large projects.

For those in need: Sally Messer, Steph, Valmai G, Shirley, Mary, Pat, Gwen T, Lachlan Everitt, Jayne, John, Carol, Alan C, Betty, Christine A, Ken M, Barb & Mary, Maggie & friend, Marilyn Davis , Kelly & Geoff, Rick's neice.



HYMNS 8AM APR 8, 2018:

393, 360 (Pt 2), 476, 31 [76].

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES APR 8, 2018:

8am St. Peter's Holy Communion.

10am St. Peter's Exploring Worship.

10.30am Union Church, Tarwin Lower MP.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS APR 8, 2018:

Acts 4: 32-37, Psalm 133,

Acts 2: 29-41, John 20: 19-31.



Anglican Parish of Leongatha News and Information Sheet

April 1, 2018, Easter Day

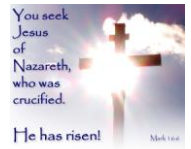
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A WARM WELCOME TO VISITORS. PLEASE JOIN US FOR LUNCH AFTER THE 10AM SERVICE.

Sentence:

The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia! **1 Corinthians 5.7-8**

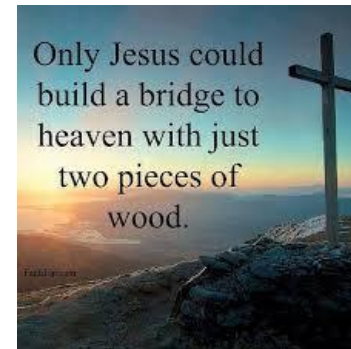
Collect:

Lord of all life and power,
who, through the mighty resurrection of your
son, overcame the old order of sin and death to
make all things new in him:

grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you
in Jesus Christ,

may reign with him in glory;

to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise, honour and thanksgiving,
now and for all eternity. **Amen**



Hymns 8am: **362** Jesus Christ is risen today, **382** Now the green blade rises, **520** Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour, **380** Yours be the glory,

Readings: Isaiah 25:6-9 (pg, 738); Hymn to the Risen Christ (APBA pg. 6 or 423), 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 (pg. 1205), Mark 16: 1-8 (pg. 1067).

PARISH VISION

Preparing the way for the love of God to reach all people by

* Being shaped into the character of Jesus

* Maturing in the expression of each individual's spiritual ministr

* Fulfilling our God-given purpose in the world.

GRAHAM'S GEMS: April 1, 2018, Easter Day.

Total chaos. That is the beginning of the first Easter Day. We wouldn't write the story like this. Our risen Jesus would speak soft words of love, peace and healing to those who met him. After the awful events of his death on the Cross on Good Friday the world would be put the right way up. Chaos would be banished. Fear gone. The news would be so great that people couldn't keep their mouths shut. The total reverse happened.



Having met an angel and heard the news "trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid." (Mark 16:8) Pretty much everyone agrees that this is where the Gospel of Mark originally ended. Mark sighs and puts down his pen. The end. The women were afraid. Crazy.

The Message Bible has Mark's Gospel begin with these words, "The good news of Jesus Christ—the Message!—begins here." Well it may start there with good news but is this how it ends in trembling and bewilderment and fear? Yet this ending is somehow easier to believe than any other. The possibility of resurrection rising from the ashes of our shattered dreams and hopes leaves us trembling on the threshold of something so wildly new that it is terrifying. We who have become accustomed to living with death flee from such a possibility of transformation and change. We dare not really hope that a new dawn can arise for us from this present darkness. So we keep silent. We keep silent around the possibility of any good news of Jesus Christ. Especially any possibility that doesn't fit with our understanding and our shattered dreams. It becomes easier to stumble with the reality we understand than possibly grasp something emerging and different.

Chaos. There is a lot of it about. It touches us at so many levels. Far from making life tidier, fitting the resurrection into our chaos actually makes things harder. The women first at the tomb were faced with the possibility of a different future. At first they simply couldn't grasp it.

EVENTS THROUGH THE WEEK:

Monday 2 (Easter Monday): 7.30pm 'Time For God'.

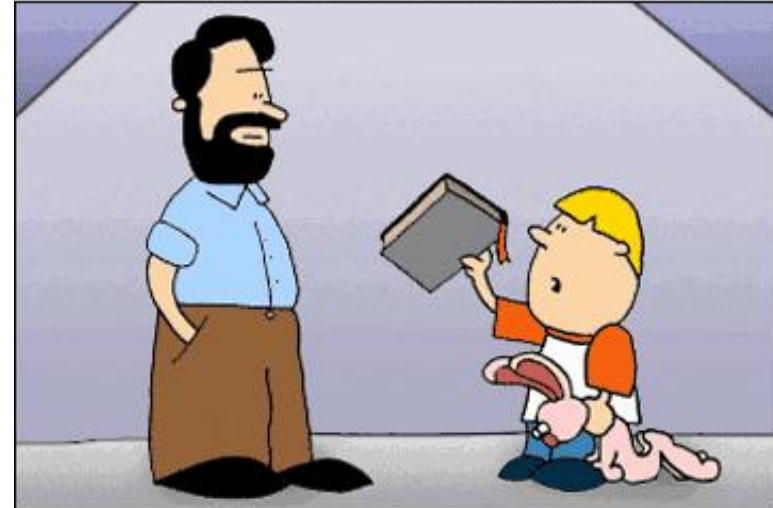
Tuesday 3: 10.30am-12 noon Mainly Music.

Wednesday 4: 9.30am Woorayl Lodge HC, 10.15am Koorooman House HC, 10.30am cuppa, 11am HC Service at St. Peter's, 7.30pm G.E.M.S St. Peter's, Leongatha.

Friday 6: 7am Parish Prayer in the church, 7.30pm St. Andrew's, Dumbalk HC.



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DAD, I NEED YOUR HELP TO FIND OUT
WHERE IT TALKS ABOUT THE EASTER BUNNY
IN THE BIBLE

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

Please check the pigeon holes for mail



THE NEWSLETTER IS NOW SENT TO PARISHIONERS WITH
EMAIL ADDRESSES. AN ENLARGED COPY IS AVAILABLE IN THE
NARTHEX FOR YOUR INFO. DURING SUNDAY SERVICES. JANICE

Thank you letter re the Christmas boxes on the noticeboard.

Perhaps this is really among the most honest ways to celebrate Easter. Recognising that Jesus rising from the dead does leave us trembling and bewildered and silenced. Deeply silenced for this one event challenges to the core the chaos of all of our smaller deaths yet to let go and simply trust seems to lead to even deeper confusion. The wonder is that in the deaths, the chaos and the fears the risen Jesus comes to us and completes the story. In him the completion will ultimately be only Resurrection - new life rising from the grave.....but that is in his time not ours. The Resurrection could not make life tidy. Nor can we.

NEW NOTICES:



SHAWL MINISTRY MEETING: Scheduled for **Monday, April 9, 2018 Noon-2pm.** Please contact **Janice 5662 2055** for more information. All welcome.

MOTHERS UNION Wed. April 11, 2018, 7.30pm
Service & Meeting.



HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY TRAINING DAYS : Two training sessions, by separate organisations, but unfortunately on the same weekend, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th April 2018. If you are interested, please prayerfully and carefully read the program details in the narthex. Both organisations offering these training programs are affiliated with the Healing Prayer Ministry Network.

1. VMTC (Victorious Ministry Through Christ) Their program is from the **Friday until the Monday** and will be held at Croydon.
2. Australian Prayer Network conducting Watchmen School of Intercession - Foundation Level - At Frankston. **Fri night 13th and Sat 14th April.** Any further details please contact **Maggie Spinks 5658-1781.**



ESA GIPPSLAND JUNIOR CAMP: Mon. April 9- Thurs. April 12, 2018, Glen Eden Camp, 135 Sunderland Road, Glengarry. Ages 9-12yrs.
Cost \$140, apply online esa.org.au, Contact Gerard Abdo 0411 851 748 gabdoo@esa.org.au

more info. on ESA's website

REPEAT NOTICES:



G.E.M.S.: 7.30pm, Wed., April 4, St. Peter's, Leongatha. Speaker-Rev. Graham Knott. Topic- Experiences of ministry.

JUST ONE MORE-UPDATE: Parish Pantry for Anglicare: These items would be greatly appreciated:- Milo, long life full cream milk, tinned tomatoes, tinned fruit & vegetables and tinned soup & fish, baked beans & spaghetti, cereal, noodles, biscuits and snacks for school lunches. **DON'T NEED TEA.** Please buy just one more of one item when you go shopping and place it in the basket at church on Sunday. Thank you.



GIPPSCARE DONATIONS-2U4U BASKET: Gifts can be placed in the 2U4U basket at any time. These goods will be used to assist women with young babies who have become homeless due to experiencing family violence. Gift ideas-children's clothes and toys, baby clothes, nappies, wipes, toiletries for women and children.

