



Anglican Parish of Bass-Phillip Island
St Augustine's, San Remo St Paul's, Bass
St Philip's, Cowes

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEASON OF CREATION
Choose Hope, Love, Justice

MON 19th 10.00am - 1.30pm Mary Talbot Room open
TUES 20th 1.30pm Parish Council, Emmaus Room, Cowes
WED 21st 10.00am - 1.30pm Mary Talbot Room open

THURS 22nd 10.00am- **A Service of Holy Communion to Honour and Remember HRH Queen Elizabeth II** at St Philip's, Cowes

SAT 24th 10.00am - 1.30pm Mary Talbot Room
SUN 25th MAF Missionaries Speak at all services
9.00am St Philip's, Holy Communion
11.00am St Augustine's Holy Communion
12.30pm St Paul's Holy Communion
1.30pm Lunch at George Bass Hotel

Bookings are no longer required



4pm Service St Philip's will be in recess over the School Holidays. Recommencing Sunday 9th October 4pm with a **Pot Luck Dinner**

CURRENT COVID-19 Information:

Please use the hand sanitiser provided
We respect your decision to wear a mask indoors.

If you are unwell please look after yourself at home.
Please be assured that our facilities are thoroughly cleaned weekly.



We mourn the passing of HR the Queen and give thanks for her reign and life of devoted service.



We meet for worship on the lands of the Bunurong people; Gunaikurnai people; Woi-Wurrung people; the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, and pay we respects to their Elders past and present and emerging.

This week's roster 18th September

St Philip's - Welcome: M. Wright & E. Krutop-Norfolk; Reader: S. Goodluck; Intercessions: J. Wright; Vestry: J. Bell; PowerPoint: L. Heflingers; Morning tea: L. Wenham
St Augustine's – Leader: G. Ippel; Input: L. Alexander; Children:...
St Paul's – Reader: L. Ridge; Prayers: Rev. Jo; Chalice: B. Maghanoy

This week's readings - Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79: 1-9; 1 Timothy 2:1-10; Luke 16:1-13

Next week's roster 25th September 2022

St Philip's - Welcome: W. Gladman & F. Leighton; Reader: M. Wright; Intercessions: Rev. Jo; Vestry: C. Hill; PowerPoint: J. Bell; Morning tea: M. Zulian

St Augustine's -

St Paul's - Reader: A. Gloria; Prayers: L. Maghanoy; Chalice: E. Humphry

Next week's readings - 25th September - Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31.

SOMETHING FOR THE CHILDREN Glenys has subscribed to a weekly children's activity sheet. The activities follow the lectionary. If you have grandchildren coming to a service or know of children attending she would be happy to forward this on to you so you can print out as needed. You can email her on glenys.stacs@gmail.com

The Sentence of the Day

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. - 2 Corinthians 8:9

The Collect of the Day

O God, you are rich in love for your people: show us the treasure that endures and, when we are tempted by greed, call us back into your service and make us worthy to be entrusted with the wealth that never fails. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 79:1-9

Oh God, the heathen have come into your land:

They have defiled your holy temple, they have made Jerusalem a heap of stone.

They have given the dead bodies of your servants as food to the birds of the air:

And the flesh of your faithful ones to the wild beasts of the earth.

Their blood they have spilt like water on every side of Jerusalem:

And there is none to bury them.

We have become a mockery to our neighbours:

The scorn and laughing stock of those about us.

How long, O Lord, shall your anger be so extreme:

Will your jealous fury burn like fire?

Pour out your wrath on the nations that do not know you:

On the kingdoms that have not called upon your name.

For they have devoured Jacob:

And made his dwelling-place a desolation.

Do not remember against us the sin of former times:

But let your compassion hasten to meet us, for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God our saviour, for the honour of your name:

O deliver us and expiate our sins, for your name's sake.

(Response)

Glory to God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

As in the beginning so now, and forever. Amen

1 Timothy 2:1-10

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

⁸I desire, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or argument; ⁹also that the women should dress themselves modestly and decently in suitable clothing, not with their hair braided, or with gold, pearls, or expensive clothes, ¹⁰but with good works, as is proper for women who profess reverence for God.

[Silence]

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, chapter 16 beginning at verse 1;

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." ³Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" ⁶He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." ⁷Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are shrewder in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

[Silence]

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Oh my very word we do have a difficult parable before us today! There are a great many questions and even mysteries that can plague us as we try to understand what might be at the

heart of Jesus' parable about the dishonest manager. Chief among our problems here is how can this manager be praised for his actions 'and his master commended the dishonest manager because he acted shrewdly; ...' (Luke 16:8) The manager seems to be cheating his master (the rich man) not once but twice. Firstly, because he was squandering his property. We might regard this wasting of the master's money as a legitimate reason for being sacked. Then when he fears for his future, the manager seems to cheat the rich man by slashing the debt of his creditors; a further dishonesty. Perhaps this second instance could be regarded as a clever way to secure one's future but we are only making excuses. The mysteries of this parable still prevail.

Perhaps it's more important to put these puzzles aside and focus our attention on the moral teaching of the parable. The manager faces a crisis - that of his master's (a rich man) discovery of the mismanagement of his property. It is worth noting here that property can also be understood as mammon or wealth. It's almost as if wealth begins and ends this parable.

What we find hard to understand is how Jesus (in the context of this parable) can praise the manager for being shrewd with his use of wealth. It would seem that part of the answer lies in



the manager's response to a crisis. His shrewdness, his clever action showed a kind of practical wisdom that builds new relationships for his future. Perhaps the master is not the rich man at all but Jesus himself who praises the manager for using wealth to be welcomed not into earthly homes but into the eternal homes of verse nine. (Luke 16:9)

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In this parable we are presented with two groups – the children of light and the children of this age. The children of this age are literally sons of this world what we might understand as those who are caught up in the worldliness of consumerism, wealth for the sake of power, money for the purpose of acquiring possessions, money that is about greed not charity.

Jesus brings the parable to a close with three sayings the meaning of which may never be entirely clear, although we can make some general sense of them as a whole. We might glean from these sayings that our dealings with money needs to be done in such a way that God is served. If we are reliable in small things then the greater thing - service to God will be entrusted to us. If we use wealth to work for the kingdom of God in small ways then greater things will be entrusted to us.

We might wonder what the entrusting of true riches (Luke 16:11) will look like for us in this age. True riches will not be about what money can buy. True riches are not going to be about things, or property. True riches are about things that gladden the heart of those who possess

them - qualities of kindness, mercy, love, faithfulness, a good conscience, trustworthiness, charity, patience, forbearance – the list not endless but you get the idea. These are true riches.

The book of Proverbs has much to say about riches:

Proverbs 11: 28: Those who trust in their riches will wither, but the righteous will flourish like green leaves.

Proverbs 22: A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favour is better than silver or gold.

So, what do we do with our wealth? We need to be sure that we are not devoted to money and possessions. Our devotion is to the things of God and to the building up of the kingdom of God. We need to focus our attention on serving God because a slave cannot serve two masters. Our love and our service are to God and to all that God has entrusted to us; our fellow humans, the earth and all its creatures.

If we can be faithful in little things for God then God will entrust us with greater things.

In finishing let me share the words of the great Norwegian Playwright Henrik Ibsen –
Money may buy the husks of things but it cannot buy the kernel.

It brings you food but not appetite; medicine but not health, acquaintance but not friends, servants but not faithfulness, days of pleasure but not peace and happiness.

We don't get satisfaction or meaning from things. But, when we devote ourselves to serving others, that gives us purpose and meaning. Giving to other people is what make us feel alive.

We are welcomed into the eternal homes not because we do anything for ourselves but because we are servants, servants who model our service on the one who is the servant of all, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

Gracious Heavenly Father, we offer our prayers for your world and especially at this time for the people the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth as they, with us here in Australia, mourn the passing of HRH Queen Elizabeth II.

We also pray for peace in the world especially in places where war continues to blight the peoples and the land; in Ukraine and the civil wars in many countries including Afghanistan and Syria.

As your servants we continue to pledge ourselves to the care of all people and to the creatures and habitats of the earth.

Gracious Heavenly Father, we offer our prayers for your church that it might serve you about all else. That the church may be a place where people lift holy hands above to praise you in unity as brothers and sisters in Christ. May our churches be places of safety and solace for those who are troubled. We seek your blessing upon all church leaders and upon the head of our Anglican Communion King Charles III as he begins his reign.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Heavenly Father, we offer our prayers for those who are suffering pain or ill health. We seek your kindness and help for those who are feeling sad or empty. Help us to be generous with our wealth and time so that we can help those who are most in need.

We offer our prayers today for those who are recovering from surgery and those who are awaiting medical procedures. We pray too for those who carry heavy burdens because of poverty or discrimination; show us how we can lighten their burdens.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Heavenly Father, we offer our prayers for the dear departed especial our Queen as she lies in state at Westminster. May these days of mourning be a balm to all who mourn especially the royal family.

In this time of national mourning, we take a moment to remember our own friends and family who have died praying rest eternal grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. **Amen.**

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory

For ever and for ever. Amen.

Prayer



Suggested Hymns:

The Heavens Shall Declare (TIS 746)

Men of Faith Rise up and Sing

What shall we Offer our Good Lord (TIS 439)

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers, feeding us with your word, and encouraging us in our meeting together. Take us and use us to love and serve you all people, in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A blessing is offered.

May the God of peace equip you with everything good for doing his will, working in you what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Offertory

Thank you for your weekly offering it is much needed. During this COVID-19 period and post COVID-19 your offering can be made by either:

- Placing in the offering bowl at any church service. Use plain envelope if preferred
- Please make cheques payable to Anglican Parish Bass-Phillip Island
- Regular or one-off contributions can be made by internet banking to the Parish bank account, using Pay ID 0407410011 (or BSB & Acct No. below)
- Visit any Bendigo Bank branch and deposit cash or cheque to Anglican Parish Bass/Phillip Island BSB: 633 000 / Account Number: 169 629 797. Please put on deposit slip: "Offertory" or "Donation" indicating your usual congregation

- If in Cowes, drop your offering in the donation box at St Philip's, Cowes (located outside the front door of the Church)



ST PHILIP'S – We recommend parking in the church grounds. Parking in Thompson Avenue is restricted to 1 hour only. 2 hours for those with a Disabled Parking Permit

PARISH HOME GROUPS

Please contact leaders for information

Emmaus Room – 1st and 3rd Wednesday 1.00pm Leader: Richard and Ann Prideaux

Palm Lakes Group – Friday 10.00am Contact Wendy Gladman. Women of the New Testament.

San Remo Group – Wednesday 2.00pm in the Mary Talbot Room Leader: John Dawson The Book of Ruth

Bass Home Group – Monday 2.30pm Leader: Sandy & Les Ridge The Synoptic Gospels

Helpful websites

Parish website www.anglicanparishbassphillipisland.org

Dioceses of Gippsland website www.gippsanglican.org.au

Facebook www.facebook.com/stphilipscowes

PARISH CONTACTS – wardens are currently revising the Parish Contacts booklet. If you wish to be included or deleted or to make any changes to your entry please speak to Ann Prideaux, Renate Ferns or Sandy Ridge

DAILY BREAD – this publication will be made available to parishioners \$13 for a three-month subscription. Ann Prideaux is coordinating this resource to aid in the study of scripture with reverence and rigour.



Mary Talbot Room can you help? We need more cooks and more volunteers for this important ministry of friendship and finance.

MTR

Mary Talbot Room

17th September St Augustine's, San Remo

Donations of plants, jams, pickles, biscuits and cakes gratefully received.

**MTR
Mini Fete
SATURDAY**



Next Sunday 25th September; all services Guest Speakers for Mission Aviation Fellowship; Ely and John Flynn. Lunch at George Bass Hotel at 1.30pm book with Sandy Ridge

CHAT 'N' CHEW is a shared ministry of the Combined Churches of Phillip Island. Would you like to help? Would you like to join the committee and represent the Anglican Church in this important ministry to lonely and vulnerable people in our community? Training is available. Speak to Rev'd Jo or Richard Prideaux.



DIARY DATES

25th September MAF guest speakers

9th October – Blessing of the Bikes, Cowes Recreation Reserve

11th October – Parish Council

14 -17 October – MOTO GP Breakfasts

16th October – Blessing of Animals, St Paul's Bass

Book Sale Plus 28th October – 1st November and the Plus (Replacing our parish fete this year.)

Monday 31st October

12th December **Annual Parish Christmas Dinner**

Correction to notice in the Parish Paper

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday 16 October

12.30 pm at St Paul's Anglican Church, Hade Avenue, Bass

A Sausage Sizzle will be held in the grounds following the service.

For more information ring Sandy Ridge 0449 594 737



Learn a new skill - We

are training new vestry helpers and Eucharistic assistants.

Speak to Rev'd Jo if you would like to help.

Can you help? Volunteers needed on 2nd Saturday of the month to assist with serving Devonshire Teas and at the Sausage Sizzle.



Please pray for:

Glenys and Richard Gijbers, Rene Foulkes, Sue Chambers, Mike Heflingers, Len Chatfield, Rev'd Gerald Wall, David Foulkes, Terry Duffield

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please tell Rev'd Jo

St Philip's **FLOWER FUND** needs feeding

There is a box in the foyer where you can leave your donations.

You can help Refugees by putting items in the basket at St Philip's. Most needed items include: honey, tuna in oil, tinned tomatoes, tinned veggies, tinned legumes, sweet & savoury biscuits, black tea bags, dishwashing liquid, shampoo & conditioner, soap bars.



Please join us for,

A SERVICE to HONOUR and
REMEMBER

H.R.H. Queen Elizabeth II



St Philip's Anglican Church, Cowes

Thursday 22nd September 10.00am

Enquiries revjobpi@gmail.com

A Service to Honour and Remember HRH Queen Elizabeth II

A reading from the book of Lamentations. (3.22-26, 31-33)

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.'

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

Psalm 121 is said or sung.

I lift up my eyes to the hills; **from where is my help to come?**

My help comes from the Lord, **the maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not suffer your foot to stumble; **he who watches over you will not sleep.**

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel **shall neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord himself watches over you; **the Lord is your shade at your right hand,**

So that the sun shall not strike you by day, **neither the moon by night.**

The Lord shall keep you from all evil; **it is he who shall keep your soul.**

The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your coming in, **from this time forth for evermore.**

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians. (4.16-5.4)

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling— if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 6 beginning at verse 35;

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

Suggested Hymns:

O God Our Help in Ages Past (TIS 47)

Your Hand O God Has Guided (TIS 456)

Praise My Soul the King of Heaven (TIS 134)

All My Hope on God Is Founded (TIS 560)

God save the King