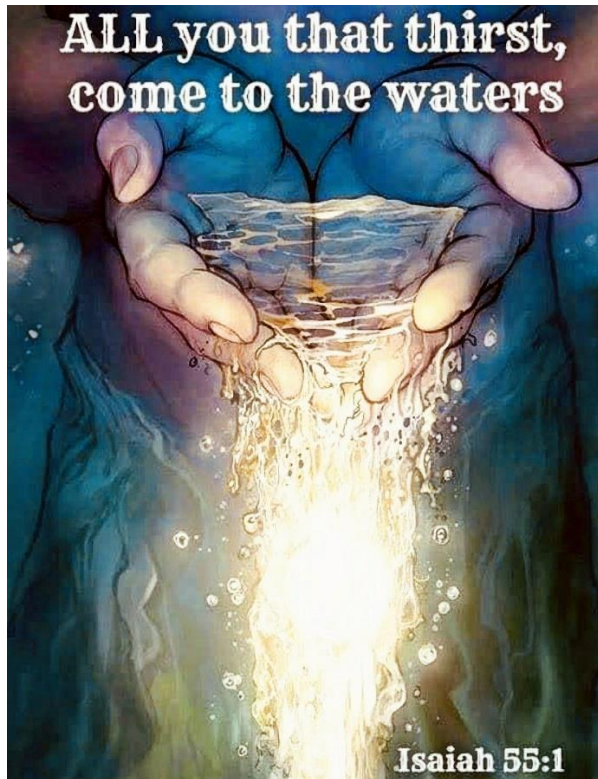


**Parish of Moe-Newborough**  
**St Aidan's, Newborough**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> March – 10am**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**



**Celebrant: Canon John Morgan**  
**Welcome to our service today!**

Please join us for morning tea following the service.

Hymns	AHB 158	MP 37	AHB 72	AHB 498
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**Sentence:** ‘As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts,’ says the Lord. Isaiah 55.9

**Collect:** O 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.**

**First Reading                      Isaiah 55.1-9**

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
     a leader and commander for the peoples.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> Seek the Lord while he may be found,  
call upon him while he is near;

<sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.

<sup>9</sup> 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 63.1-9**

<sup>1</sup> O God, you are my God: eagerly will I seek you.

<sup>2</sup> **My soul thirsts for you, my flesh longs for you: as a dry and thirsty land where no water is.**

<sup>3</sup> So it was when I beheld you in the sanctuary: and saw your power and your glory.

<sup>4</sup> **For your unchanging goodness is better than life: therefore my lips shall praise you.**

<sup>5</sup> And so I will bless you as long as I live: and in your name will I lift my hands on high.

<sup>6</sup> **My longing shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness: my mouth shall praise you with exultant lips.**

<sup>7</sup> When I remember you upon my bed: when I meditate upon you in the night watches,

<sup>8</sup> **How you have been my helper: then I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings,**

<sup>9</sup> Then my soul clings to you: and your right hand upholds me.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.1-13**

<sup>1</sup> I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup> and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup> and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup> and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ.

<sup>5</sup> Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. <sup>6</sup> Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. <sup>7</sup> Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, ‘The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.’ <sup>8</sup> We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. <sup>9</sup> We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. <sup>10</sup> And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. <sup>11</sup> These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. <sup>12</sup> So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. <sup>13</sup> No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Hear the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel: Luke 13.1-9**

The Gospel according to Luke, Chapter 13, beginning at the 1st verse.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>1</sup> At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup> He asked them, ‘Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?’ <sup>3</sup> No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. <sup>4</sup> 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?’ <sup>5</sup> No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.’ <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> 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?” <sup>8</sup> He replied, “Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. <sup>9</sup> If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.”’

For the Gospel of the Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**Intercessions for today:**

**Worldwide Church**

- Anglican Church in Central America
- Diocese of Tasmania: Bishop Richard Condie and Assistant Bishop Chris Jones

**Our Diocese:**

- Bishop Richard – Leanne.
- Parish of Sale : Keren Terpstra  
Associate Clergy: Heather Toms,  
Honorary Associate Clergy: Kate Campbell, Brian Norris, David Head.

**Mission:**

- Anglicare

**Special Focus**

- International Labour Organisations Trade Unions & all Unionists
- Employer Organisations, Chamber of Commerce Converge
- International Chaplains (Industrial Chaplaincy)

**Our Parish:**

- We pray for Father Giles, Julia, Darol and Joanna, arriving in Australia tomorrow (24<sup>th</sup> March).
- We pray for good flights and safe travel to their new home.
- We pray for our Parish Council members and for the discussions and important decisions they make to ensure the smooth running of this, our parish.

 **Prayer Request**

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers: Alisha, Anne, Beth, Carolyn, Elsie, Helen, Jennifer, Jessica, John, John.Vr, Kevin, Kym, Lina, Mick, Pauline, Robin, Sam and Yvonne, along with those others known to us.

Please let Jan (0475 067 145) know if you would like to have the anniversary of someone special acknowledged in the prayers.

# Pews News

**Get Out for Good (G4G)** Meet on Tuesday's at Madge Vinnell Centre from 10am.

**Prayer and Meditation group** meet on Wednesday evenings, 7.30pm at Madge Vinnell Centre.

**Listening Post Drop In Centre** is open on Fridays 10am – 12md at Madge Vinnell Centre. Please join us – we make a good brew and conversation!

**Lenten Study Group:** 1.30pm on Friday's.

**Men's Breakfast group now** meets at 8.30 am on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at Madge Vinnlll Centre, Anzac Street. Cost \$15

**Remember the Safe Ministry awareness workshop in Sale on 5th April Details on Noticeboard**

**Gippsland Camino:** 1-4 May See the Notice Board for details

**Monetary Donations** for the welcome food hamper for the Motisi Family can be made through the offertory plate or through the Parish Direct Banking Details:  
Account: Moe-Newborough Parish Council  
BSB: 083 773  
Account: 915 154 737  
Marked Food Hamper.

***The Motisi family arrive tomorrow, Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March, with the Induction of Father Giles as our Priest in Charge to take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm at St Aidan's.***



There will be a pre-service dinner at 5.30pm at the Moe Hotel located at 45 Lloyd St, Moe. If you would like to attend the dinner, would you please let Rev'd David Perryman (0401 035 379) know by Friday 4 April.

***The service will be followed by supper, so please add your name to the list in the Narthex if able to provide a plate.***



**After our service on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> March**  
(Mothering

Sunday, mid Lent Refreshment Sunday), we are thanking our locums, Fr's Bruce, David and John for their wonderful ministry during this time of interregnum with a special morning tea. There will be thank you cards for us to sign to show our appreciation.

## The Week Ahead

<p><b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b></p>	<p>10.30am Narracan Gardens Aged Care 2.35pm The Motisi family arrive in Melbourne</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b></p>	<p>G4G at MVC, Anzac Street, from 10am.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March</b></p>	<p>10.00am Holy Communion at St Luke's, Moe 11.00am Narracan Gardens Aged Care 7.30pm Meditation Group meets at MVC, Anzac St</p>
<p><b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b></p>	<p>No Listening Post today. Diocesan MU is celebrating Lady Day at 11am in Sale. 1.30pm Lenten Study</p>
<p><b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent Mothering Sunday Refreshment Sunday</p> <p>Special Morning Tea after our service to thank our Locums for their dedication to our Parish during the interregnum.</p>	<p>9.30am Prayer time in the Chapel All welcome to join in.</p> <p>10.00am Holy Communion at St Aidan's, Newborough</p> <p>Celebrant: Rev'd Bruce Charles</p> <p><b>Readings:</b> Joshua 5: 2-12, Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 16-21, Luke 15: 11-32</p>

*Please look at our Parish Website: [moenewboroughanglican.org.au](http://moenewboroughanglican.org.au). As the website is still being set up your feedback and suggestions are important and would be appreciated. Contact Rev'd Bruce.*

**Pastoral Care and Contacts:**

**Priest in Charge Elect: Father Giles Motisi (to be inducted  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm)**

**Canon John Morgan: 5127 3091**

**Rev'd Bruce Charles 0429 045 132 (on call)**

**Jeanette Ringin (Pastoral Assistant) 5127 7718**

**Parish Secretary: Julie Bruce: 0407 073 148**

**Acting Parish Treasurer: (Rev'd) Bruce Charles 0429 045 132**

**Safe Ministry Officer: Stephen Heath 0438913572**

**Wardens: Susan Lendon, Marizel Gatica-Charles and Helen  
Davis**

**Parish Phone: 5127 1119 is re-directed and a message can be left  
if unanswered**

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**Services:**

**Wednesday 10.00am St Luke's, 47 South Street, Moe**

**Sunday 10.00am St Aidan's, 111 Torres Street, Newborough**



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