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The Parish Paper of
MOE-NEWBOROUGH
St Aidan's Newborough
St Luke's Moe
St James Yallourn North

A Parish Prayer

God our Creator, when
you speak there is light
and life.

Fill us with your Holy
Spirit so that we may
listen to one another,
speak the truth in love,
and bear much fruit in
the service of your king-
dom; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.

JUNE—JULY 2025

TIMES AND SEASONS

- Rev'd Giles Motisi—Priest in Charge

I always found traveling a challenge, as it is exhausting from the long hours, different climate and cultures and the food. My last trip was much more like going home with the same type of food, warmer climate and very similar culture.



The thing I fear most is the possibility of picking some infection as you travel. Last September I was very sick after I returned from Melbourne and this visit to Fiji was no different. In the last two days as I stayed at home I looked out the window I saw some trees had all the leaves fallen to the ground with new buds appearing while others were just turning yellow.

This is nature's way of telling us of the times and season, of autumn and winter. It also tells us that the old leaves task is over and that the new leaves must appear and continue. The coming to the end of the old leaves and beginning of the new leaves. The leaves carry on the task passed on by the old and dying leaves.

The appearing of the buds and the leaves bring with it the assurance and hope that the tree will live, it will survive and grow and not die.

This is the message I shared on Sunday, the message of hope. This was the same message shared at the Synod with the focus on Hope 25, and as you heard on Sunday, this was the message shared at the IRCA Oceania Conference in Fiji.

As we celebrate Pentecost, the pouring of the Holy Spirit on the infant Church in Jerusalem, we are reminded that the earthly ministry of Jesus had come to an end. The feast of Ascension as we celebrated last recently was described by Ratzenberger who became Pope Benedict XVI as, "Jesus removed from sight." Jesus was no longer visible.

The earthly ministry of Jesus had come to an end just like the old leaves that are falling off, the new buds and leaves had to appear to continue the life and the Mission of Jesus Christ. In the High Priestly prayer in John 17 Jesus prays for his disciples and not only for them but for all who will turn to him in every other

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generation. For that to happen there had to be a beginning a starting point. And from that starting point the gospel was to be preached and this is what Jesus himself said:

“But when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power and you will be witnesses

for me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)

‘Pentecost’ is the coming of the Holy Spirit to fill the Church with Power for Mission. It is our hope that the Holy Spirit fill us with power to Witness Jesus right where we are.

Diocesan Synod—Report

May 2025

- **Jan Misiurka—Lay Canon, Diocese of Gippsland**

Preparation for the First Session of the 41st Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia within the Diocese of Gippsland, began long before the set date of 16th-18th May 2025!

The Bishop’s Mandate summons representatives in April, followed by the sending of the required Synod papers: the Program and Business Paper, Bishop in Council (BIC) reports, report on 2024 Synod Motions. 2025/26 BIC Budget, Reports to Synod of Diocesan Organisations and Consolidated Financial statements, a few weeks out from Synod to allow for pre-reading to be undertaken. There is a lot to digest in the 100plus pages of documentation.

On Friday 16th May, Father Giles, Beryl and myself attended the opening Synod Eucharist and Presidential Address at St Paul’s Cathedral, Sale. Unfortunately Gwyneth was unable to join us this year. It is always very special to sit with all the Diocesan representatives in our “Mother Church”. Highlights were the new words to a traditional hymn, provided by members of our diocese who attended a music workshop under the banner of Hope 25, and our Bishop’s address or Charge. There is a printed copy in the Narthex and it is also available on the Diocesan Website. A video can also be opened at hyperlink: [Eucharist 2025 - Bishop Richard’s Synod sermon](#)

Synod itself was a positive experience this year, and interestingly there seemed to be a “changing of the

guard”, with many new faces and lots of “Maiden Speeches”!

All motions were passed, some amended following interesting and unexpected dialogue. Apart from the procedural motions (accepting reports, passing budgets etc), there were motions about: the environment, women's ministry (next year is 30 years since we ordained the first woman as priest in this diocese), removing the age limitation for clergy, congratulating ABM on 175 years, a Hope 2 motion, developing a communications policy, and insurance for voluntary workers. There is a copy of Resolutions, Acts, Election Results and Questions available in the Narthex as well.

The Diocesan Dinner was a time to relax, catch up with old friends and make new friends, with a lovely meal.

On Sunday morning the eucharist at Garnsey was led ably by Aunty Phyllis and Kathy Dalton, and Glenn Loughrey, Provincial Archdeacon for Reconciliation and Treaty preached. There were also a couple of new hymns introduced these changes., composed at the previously mentioned Hope25 workshop. We are indeed blessed with some very talented people in Gippsland!

After the service we had a panel on ministry with First Nations peoples, around how we chart a way forward together.

As usual our heads were full of new ideas, changes that could be made and the challenges that had come out of this Synod. We look forward to seeing what Synod brings in 2026!

COST OF LIVING RELIEF:

Our Op shop staff report that the need for food and other basic commodities continues to be a major priority. If you are able to assist you can :

- drop off goods at the Op Shop,
- place them in the box provided at the Church
- ask someone to collect them
- make a donation in the collection plate on Sunday in an Envelope marked Food Relief
- Make a Donation by Direct Debit (See Parish Banking details on p12)



Parish Website



Don't forget to check out our website. You will find copies of past newsletters and pew notes, recordings of the Sunday Sermons if you missed out or would like to hear again and up to date news of what is happening in the parish. (It will be more up to date from this week)

www.moenewboroughanglican.org.au



Are you on the Parish Roll. If you are not receiving news from us it is possible that you are not or perhaps your details have not been updated.

VISION



- Church Vision-
 - What God have uniquely called a Church to do
- Church Mission-
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Invitation

Our Parish

Vision and Mission Statement

Congregational Meeting,
Sunday 20th July, 4.30pm at St Aidan's Newborough
Vision Documents Distributed with this Newsletter or
Contact Parish Secretary, Julie Bruce 0407 073 148
Or email Parish: moenewboroughanglican@gmail.com
Digital Version Available

Inspiring Quotes as we Reflect upon Vision and Mission

"The church exists primarily for two closely correlated purposes: to worship God and to work for His kingdom in the world." — *N.T. Wright*

"The church is a family where we learn to love one another deeply." — *Charles Spurgeon*

"Community is where humility and glory are found together." — *Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

"The love of God is limitless, and His church is called to reflect that same love." — *Mother Teresa*

"If we could truly grasp the love of God, our lives would be transformed." — *Billy Graham*

"In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity." — *St. Augustine*

"Faith is taking the first step, even when you don't see the whole staircase." — *Martin Luther King Jr.*

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Around the Parish

Julie Bruce—Parish Secretary

- Father Giles is due to start his studies at Trinity College very soon. The parish council decided to support Fr Giles with a loan for the cost of his first semester at Trinity College until the diocese decides how this undertaking is to be funded.
 - There is a request to provide lunch for a deanery meeting to be held at Moe Newborough in the future.
 - A Parish Car has been purchased. A GWM Havel Jolion Lux Hybrid. The car is proving to be as good as we hoped. It has the latest safety features, drives well, has good fuel economy and 7 year unlimited Km warranty.
 - A new photocopier has been purchased with a service agreement and a 5 year warranty. The copier can collate and staple booklets which will be a great asset. It is currently located in the small chapel area until we are able to reconfigure the rooms to better suit the purposes required for office and vestry purposes.
 - A sound system is to be purchased in the future as a long term investment in being able to hear the services is a priority for our congregation. For the moment a lapel Microphone has been purchased for the celebrant. Our previous one seeming to no longer work.
 - The old inverter in The Madge Vinnell Centre gave out and a new air conditioner was purchased from the Listening Post account.
 - The next meeting of the Mothers' Union is Monday, 21st July. Jeanette Ringin is the acting president in Gwyneth's absence and there is a very warm welcome extended to all. The annual **June Join In** took place at St Aidan's recently with the president Robyn Rae as speaker. All in attendance were blessed by the fellowship, shared lunch and hearing about the local, national and international foci of Mothers' Union.
 - The Parish Council noted with thanks the outstanding forty years of service of Norma Buckton to our Op Shops. A morning/afternoon was held to show our appreciation for Norma's service to the Op Shops over these many years. Thank you, thank you Norma!
 - We are very grateful to Stephen Heath for accepting the nomination for Acting Manager of the Moe Op Shop in Gwyneth's absence. Stephen devotes much time and energy to supporting the administrative requirements for the volunteers to serve as well as sorting and transporting items for sale and assisting behind the counter as well.
 - Our Sunday services continue to be recorded and uploaded to our website each week. Thank you Bruce for organising this for us.
 - The Listening Post (See page 5) is currently serving as a source of food assistance for those in our community who require this support.
- We appreciate the contribution of our parishioners to our food box located in the Narthex area at St Aidan's. People attending enjoy a convivial time of fellowship together with the connection with local community members.
- We are in urgent need for more support from volunteers so that we can continue to care and share.
- The good news for our community garden project is that a grant of \$4 000 has been granted from the Anglicare Community Grants program and allocated for use on gardening supplies. We are looking forward to developing our garden behind St Luke's in Moe as a time for keen gardeners to develop a productive source of food and to invite community to participate in this venture.
 - Men's breakfast continues to meet monthly.
 - We continue to pray and work towards the adoption of a church Vision/mission statement: The date for the congregational meeting has been set for July 20th at 4.30pm at St Aidan's Church. A soup and sandwich supper will follow.
- Writing down your thoughts ready for the meeting would help facilitate the program. There is a file of readings being prepared beforehand to remind us of our ideas that have been recently put forward and some examples to help us with our deliberations. Please take time to read them.
- The sale of the 4 Luke St. property, no further information has been received other than it has been finalised.
 - The Chapel at 7 Anzac St is to be referred to as the Sunday School building. A further quote is to be sought for repairs.
 - The Parish of Moe has a centenary and on St Luke's Day and there will be a recognition of these 100 years.
- Thank you everyone, Julie Bruce (Secretary)



OUR MINISTRY TO THE AGED

Communion by extension from our Sunday Eucharist

Latrobe Valley Village Hostel 11.00 am First & Third Tuesday

Narracan Gardens Hostel 10.30 am Second & Fourth Monday

Narracan Gardens Nursing Home 11,00am Second & Fourth Wednesday



OPPORTUNITY SHOP MINISTRY

continues within our Parish with our three shops. The Donation Bin is located behind St Aidan's Church

The Newborough Shop is in Rutherglen Road and is open Tuesday to Friday 10am to 2pm & Saturday 10 to 12 noon

The Moe Shop is in Anzac Street Monday to Friday 10 am to 2pm

The Yallourn North Shop in Reserve Street Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm

Check out our Facebook Page *Moe & Newborough Anglican Op Shops.*

Our thanks to our wonderful volunteers and there is always room for more if you would like to join us.

The 50-cent clothing Sale continues.

Support of our Food relief program is much appreciated.



Get out for Good—using restorative justice for the Kingdom of God.

Every Tuesday in the Madge Vinnell Centre, 10am—2pm.

A program in partnership with the Anglican Criminal Justice Ministry established by Anglicare Victoria. An Anglican Church Welfare Agency.

The “Get out for Good” program, provides social and emotional support for people who have been released from prison to find social and emotional support. It provides a safe space to talk about what they are going through and encouragement to reconnect with family, friends and community. The program acts to strengthen people’s ability to identify and develop their own resources and build capacity while making the adjustment from prison to the “outside”.



Prayer and Meditation Group.

The group meets every Wednesday, 7.30pm in the Madge Vinnell Centre.

The group seems to be led into general reflections relevant to our Parish Vision and, at the moment, an emphasis on self healing within the broader context of the healing ministry.



The Listening Post

Every Friday from 10am to 12 pm in the Madge Vinnell Centre, at the back of 7 Anzac St, Moe.

(If it is closed for any reason, it will be advertised on this site)

The Listening Post provides an opportunity for anyone in the community who would like to come and share in an enjoyable social morning and chat about their lives, if they feel the need.

It also provides an opportunity to discuss a variety of social and life issues including discussing matters of faith.

Tea, Coffee and a scrumptious morning tea are provided.



OUR PRAYERS FOR

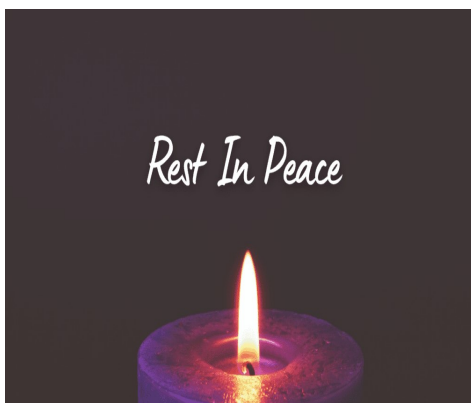
Those on our Sunday Parish Prayer List and others who would seek our prayers for them at this time.

If you wish to ask for prayers to be acknowledged on a Sunday please contact the parish.



Birthday Greetings for JUNE 16th Bailey Purcell, 17th Mary Nicholls, 19th Fr John Morgan, 23rd Julie Bruce, 29th Mary Irvine, Gary Prosser

July Birthdays-11th Catherine Darnamin, 13th Gwyneth Jones, 19th Mavis McAlister, 24th Russell Savige, 28th Coral McCulloch **and others who celebrate at this time.**



You are invited to forward the names (&dates) of loved ones who have died so that they may be remembered, especially those who have been fellow worshippers.

We remember those who have died in the past month:

Evelyn Flanders, Angela Anfried, Judyth Van Maurik, Norma Page, Shirley Ryan

In our Lectionary calendar

We remember ed in June

JUNE 3rd. *Martyrs of Uganda; John XXIII bp of Rome , reformer; 5th Boniface of Mainz, bp and martyr,; 9th Columba of Iona, abbot and missionary; 11th **Barnabas**, Apostle & Martyr; 13th Antony of Padua, missionary; 24th **The Birth of John the Baptist**; 27th Cyril of Alexandria, bp and teacher; Irenaeus of Lyons, bp and teacher; 29th **Pe-ter and Paul**, Apostles and Martyrs*

We remember in July

JULY 11th *Benedict of Nursia, abbot; 19th Mary Magdalene; 25th James, Apostle & Martyr; 26th Anne, mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary; 29th Mary and Martha of Bethany; 30th William Wilberforce, social reformer; 31st Joseph of Arimathea and Ignatius of Loyola, priest and founder of the Society of Jesus.*



A monthly MENS BREAKFAST is held the first Saturday of each month at 8.30am. WE CURRENTLY MEETING AT THE MADGE VINNELL CENTRE behind the Op Shop at 7 Anzac Street Moe. Parking at the rear of the site accessed by Trinity Lane.

All are welcome for this time of fellowship. If you are a new person interested in attending please contact Stephen Heath 0438 913 572 to help with catering arrangements.

After trialling the new venue for a few months **we have decided to reduce the cost to \$10.00.** Any extra funds that are obtained will be place in the Church Offertory.

The group have recently given \$140 to food relief. A great effort

A Parable of the Parish Catering Group

a footstep toward understanding Church corporate decision making.

- Canon Jeffrey Richardson

Imagine As leader of your Parish's renowned catering group you are asked to make a once in a life time catering vision come true. You'll join another 49 members, all of whom are required to come up the decision, based on the customer's requirements (i.e. their personal **vision**), provide various options, the outcomes most likely to work, then the methodology, resources and people in the team to achieve the outcome.

You are a male Baby Boomer (just turning 71 years of age). And your group include 8 Traditionalists (ages between 85-90 years), 11 Baby Boomers (ages between 79-58years), 13 Generation X (ages between 41-54years), 15 Millennials (ages between 41-27years) and 2 Generation Z (both aged 16 years). Total 50 caterers.

What's the customers vision you might say? It's a banquet for 400 people of all ages - "A Cross Generational Feast!"

Our catering group is charged with providing 4 apple based desserts. The customer explained that according to recent AI data results apples are the most used fruit in sweets. Therefore it would be appropriate to find 4 apple based sweets each from one of the four [4] Generational Groups of this era [e.g. Apple Crumble = Baby Boomers]

As leader in front of 49 other extraordinary apple dessert experts, my imagination went wild as I knew there would be a pleophony of apple dessert ideas blasted throughout the room!

So to prevent any unruly outburst, I asked people seat by seat, row by row, to name their favourite apple dessert, and it did not matter if someone had already named it. I had organised an independent scribe to list all the answers on a laptop and ticking off repeated apple desserts next to their names.

So off we go: apple crumble, apple/apricot pie, apple strudel, apple upside down cake, apple flambé, apple/banana cake, apple bomb Aleska, apple crepes, apple Danish, stuffed apples, sliced apple in brandy walnut cream, apple pineapple torte glazed with aged cherry wine As I was being



bombarded with names of dozens of apple desserts, I soon realise, these people were amazing! The result 46 different apple desserts. Maybe the customer has made it easier for us to find 4 apple based sweets each from one of the four [4] Generational Groups of this era.

I thought I would asked the group a simple question: "Which four desserts will do"? But like a lamb to the lions, who finds rejection a wee off putting, especially for future catering events, I needed to find a quick solution to my completely inane thoughts.

Let them decide, I thought. And indeed that's what happened. Luckily I had fifty paper squares cut into eight different coloured squares - each representing a different group [e.g. RED for group one, GREEN group two and so on] and person received a coloured square [also instructed to retain them] and after all participants received their square moved into their corresponding coloured group [a large coloured sheet on the wall]. Then each group is instructed to select 4 apple based sweets each

from one of the four [4] Generational Groups, from the electronically projected list at the front of the hall. A 30 minute time limit was imposed.

{Note the coloured squares and groups were roughly based on the halls demographic with the lowest 8 Traditionalists and highest 15 Millennials and the 2 Gen Z were swingers - I'm sure that's a different Generation!}

After 30minutes the eight groups remained in their places, choose a spokesperson to call out their four dessert selects, without comment [the next group and so on, no alterations can be made to their selections - IT MUST BE THE FOUR DESSERT SELECTIONS OF THE GROUP]. These desserts were listed down electronically and repeated apple desserts ticked off accordingly.

At this point there may be a clear way ahead and the whole group together may have achieve the customer's request.

{If not the 8 groups will split down to 4 groups by using the coloured paper squares. Each group was instructed to select 4 apple based sweets each from one of the four [4] Generational Groups, from the electronically projected updated list at the front of the hall. A 15 minute time limit was imposed.}

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When the group work was completed, a likely 4-8 workable responses would emerge, from which to find 4 apple based sweets each from one of the four [4] Generational Groups [e.g. Apple Crumble = Baby Boomers].

If this is achieved then, the main group must resolve the following questions: "have we got the ability and skills to produce the four chosen apple desserts, and do we have the resources to put these sweets together, cook them and if need be store them; and what about finances and time?"

If the answer is no. Then the vision is to big and the catering group leader would need to reject the customers request, and encourage the group to use this "VISION DECISION MAKING", later when special catering requests come in.

If yes, the group having solutions to the questions, then "START IMMEDIATELY" call the people to reassemble into their first groups [or second groups if it reached that far] and task them with answering the questions above [e.g. "do we have the resources"?], and come up with ONE SOLUTION to each question. Time imposed 20mins.

Groups come together to hear solutions and have them scribed electronically - ticking off repeated responses.

Return into a main group the scribe will record responses to each item on the projected list and tick repeated answers. If there are 2 or more unanimous responses [e.g. all agree we have the resources], then the group must agreed to go ahead. If there are 2 or more who disagree to other questions [e.g. we do not have enough time] then the whole group must not to go any further.

Instead, an information / fact finding group of up to eight persons, but no less than four, is appointed by the main group to further investigate all of the above questions to determine if or if not the catering group can go ahead with the customer's request. The group reports back to the main group (as a meeting, or via email / text / phone), with an either go ahead or not go ahead with the job. The leader armed with a synopsis of the catering groups' decision will inform the customer of the outcome.

Forty years ago the Archbishop of Melbourne Dr Keith Rayner, invited 20 priests. Including me, to attend an intensive three day leadership course, led by Fr Peter, a Jesuit Priest, who belonged to a worldwide team of Jesuits focussed on the

evolution of newly defined leadership models within the church, especially, but not exclusively, pertaining to the Roman Catholic Church.

Our group experienced, practically, the process of bringing the visions on the edge (people in the pews) into the decision making core (priest, wardens, parish council [bishop]) so that the those on the edge felt heard, their opinions valued, and had a genuine role in the corporate decision making. Of course there are many areas of church life that did not need the whole congregation's input, for example: law and order and housekeeping matters.

The above "vision parable", is the typical vision base decision making process we develop (and still developing), and in most cases works remarkably well, usually with positive results, bringing out the most honest way forward - to proceed, not proceed, or put on hold.

I have used this vision base decision making in Gippsland. Most notably Metung Parish develop several goals that were considered attainable; the Cursillo Secretariat's vision of a vibrant past, was now elapsed by a vision of a rapidly declining future. Their goals were to keep the ship afloat until reaching a long term drydock - with the goal of revisiting the movement, sometime in the future.

In both examples, the groups I work with, either gained positive or negative outcomes, but most importantly the overriding outcome was both groups were completely open and honest and left feeling heard, empowered, and able to contribute unimpededly to the decision making processes.

If you have got this far I hope you're not too sleepy! My daughter, Peta, phoned this morning, to tell me she had a, "Vision in her dreams". Intrigued, I said let me have it (unknowingly at this point, a poor choice of words); she replied "You were dead! Someone shot you." Reacting so surprisingly I said to her "You should have hung up when you heard my voice!"

Visions come and go! Some visions need to be acted on immediately, or put aside for later, or just tossed away!

The Bible is filled with visions that come and go, that need to be acted on immediately,



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The Turtle Picnic



A turtle family went on a picnic. They had prepared seven years for their outing. The family left home, searching for a suitable place. During the second year of their journey, they found it. For about six months they cleared the area, unpacked the picnic basket, and completed the arrangements. They discovered, that they had forgotten the salt. A picnic without salt would be a disaster they all agreed.

After a lengthy discussion, the youngest turtle was chosen to retrieve the salt at home. Although he was the fastest of the slow moving turtles, the little turtle whined, cried, and wobbled in his shell. He agreed to go on only one condition: that no-one would eat until he returned . Five years, six years. Then .in the seventh year of his absence, the eldest turtle could no longer contain his hunger. He announced to everyone he was going to eat and began to unwrap a sandwich. At that point, the little turtle suddenly popped out from behind a tree shouting, "see! I knew you wouldn't wait! Now I'm not going to get the salt."

Some of us like the little turtle, don't trust anyone, or give anyone the benefit of the doubt. We waste away our lives waiting for people to live up to our poor expectations of them and they always do.

We can be thankful that God doesn't treat us that way. He accepts us just as we are. He believes in us> He cheers us on. He thinks the best of us. He is proud of us> When we mess up, He forgives and forgets, and gives us another opportunity to do good. That's how God treats us, and that's how we are to treat others. Let's not think the worst of each other. Let's expect the best. (From: **Wayne Rice's Hot Illustrations for Youth Talks**)

Discussion Time" What stops us trusting others? What can we do to encourage others to trust us? How can we help others to become trustworthy? How have parents /teachers tried to to this?

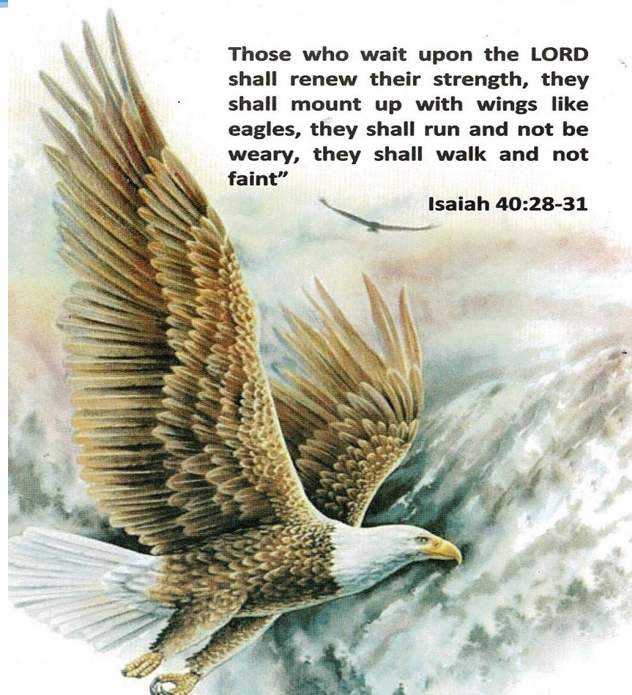
Last month our church celebrated "Pentecost ". That is a reminder that God sent the Holy spirit for all believers
The Spirit will prompt and enable us recognise God's purpose for each of our lives .and will enable us and fulfill that vision, as we answer and obey that call through **TRUST.**

The Scriptures being read during this "Season of Growth "in the Christian year illustrate Jesus meeting and working amongst ,ordinary people, like us, He meets their needs with the Power of The Holy Spirit, Jesus looks for and encourages their trust, lives are changed , needs are served, miracles happen. Disciples are made and called to love one another, serve God and develop those God given gifts .

Ordinary people continue to do extra-ordinary things when calling on God's Holy Spirit, shown to us through Jesus's example.

Those who wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint"

Isaiah 40:28-31



LOOKING BOTH WAYS— BACK TO APPRECIATE AND CHERISH OUR HISTORY WHILE VISIONING FOR THE FUTURE.

Over the next couple of months we will be spending a great deal of time in working together to determine our vision and pathway for the future of the parish. While doing this we want to take the opportunity to look back over our history, to give thanks for what we have achieved through God's grace and to appreciate the ministry of so many who have served in this place.

The best source of our history is ourselves. If you have any particular memories or items you would like to share please send them through. We also hope to include some reflections from our "elders" which we will record in this paper and on the web site.

100 Years

The Parish of Moe was formally proclaimed a Parish in 1925. (We are currently searching for the exact date of the proclamation.) We will celebrate this event at a date to be set during the year so keep tuned.

When was the last time you visited Gippsland Heritage Park?

When you are there you will come across the original Holy Trinity Church. This church was dedicated on the 3rd December 1895, 130 years ago this year. Before the church was built services were being held in the Mechanics Hall in George Street from 1893. At this time we are part of the Parish of Waterloo (Yarragon and Trafalgar)

The building at the rear of 7 Anzac Street was the original Church Hall. It was moved to its current position when the old church was moved to Heritage Park in 1968 to make way for the new Holy Trinity (now the Redeemed Christian Church of God a denomination that grew out of Nigeria, Africa).



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or put aside for later, or just tossed away. They are divine yes! But don't forget about the visions conjured by evil spirits, false gods [their priests and worshippers] and ordinary people dreaming visions common to all humanity.

One of the many approaches of I have when reading the Gospels is to identify the "visions" of Jesus that lead the hearer into action. How many can you find? Here is one to get you started, Matthew 28:18-20! Break it down from a vision, to goals, and expected action or actions. Now ask yourself : "Why would Jesus ask this of me? Think deeper, you are as equipped as any other Baptised Christian to have the authority and personal knowledge of the Lord to go into his world with the Gospel. Jesus knows preaching is my personal experience of his love and my teaching are the very things I've learned along my spiritual path". Christ's vision in Matthew 28:18-20 is his eternal goal, and for me it's my life's goal. So it attainable!

Try it out! It may open up within you all sorts of unexpected divine experiences. Canon Jeff
May God bless all your divine visions (and others) and please don't toss them out trash!

Editorial: the heart of our vision

The parable of the rich young man, begins with the fundamental question for every human being as well as for the church in terms of the answers we teach.

"Then someone came to him and said, "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" (Matthew 19:16 and the teaching that follows)

In our visioning process we need to be careful that we are not examples of being people referred to by the idiom "Can't see the forest for the trees"

An essential feature of the Reformation is the need for the church to continue to be reformed. Our faith is a journey into the heart of God, of being taught all things by the Holy Spirit (John: 14:26)

Believing in and teaching that which is not really God's truth, is one of the sins we need to be wary of.

I hope our visioning journey includes our responsibility to focus on the question asked of Jesus.

Priest in Charge

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(Canon John Morgan is not available at the moment)

Great News

Our new Photocopier makes the printing of this Newsletter a less onerous task. It folds and can staple as well.

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ORGANISATIONS AND CONTACTS

MU _President: Gwyneth Jones (currently on leave)

Meets 3rd Monday at St Aidan's 12.30 pm.

MENS BREAKFAST 8.30 am, Madge Vinnell Centre, 1st Saturday of the month.

Contact: Stephen Heath 0438 913 572

Get Out for Good, Tuesdays 10am to 2pm. Madge Vinnell Centre

Social and emotional support for those who are newly released or struggling to find a place in their community.

Listening Post Fridays, 10am to 12pm . Madge Vinnell Centre

A Drop in Centre. A place to drop in for a chat over Morning Tea. Op Shops:

Op Shops: 7 Anzac St, Moe, Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm, 46 Rutherglen Rd, Newborough Tuesday to Friday 10am to 2pm Saturday 10am to 12pm , Reserve St, Yallourn North Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm

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