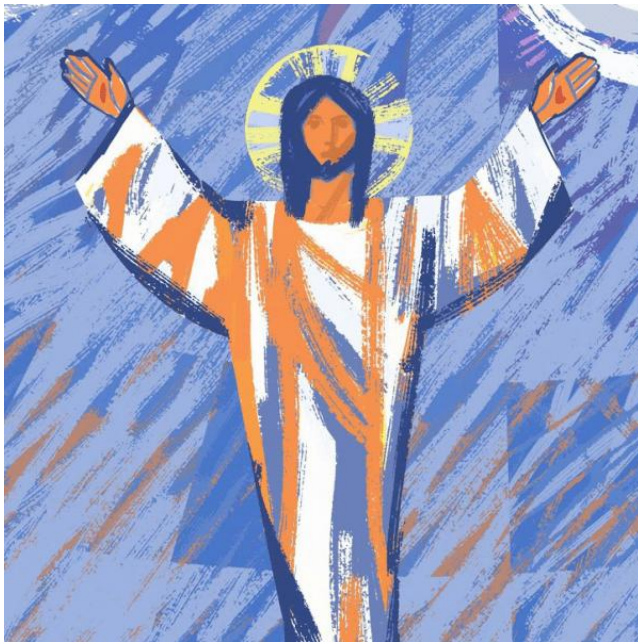


Anglican Parish of Moe-Newborough
St Aidan's, Newborough
10th May- 10.00am
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday After Ascension
(Synod Weekend)



Celebrant: Rev. Bruce Charles

**Welcome to our service today. For those who are able, please
join us after the service for fellowship.**

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Sentence: This is eternal life, that we may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. John 17.3

Collect: O God, whose Son, Jesus, prayed for his disciples, and sent them into the world to proclaim the coming of your kingdom: by your Holy Spirit, hold the Church in unity, and keep it faithful to your word, so that, breaking bread together, we may be one with Christ in faith and love and service, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 1.6-14

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, ‘Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?’ ⁷ He replied, ‘It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ ⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹ They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’ ¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. ¹³ When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴ All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers

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



Verses 1-10; 32-35

¹ God shall arise, and his enemies shall be scattered: those that hate him shall flee before his face.

² **As smoke is dispersed, so shall they be dispersed: as wax melts before a fire, so shall the wicked perish at the presence of God.**

³ But the righteous shall be glad and exult before God: they shall rejoice with gladness.

⁴ **O sing to God, sing praises to his name: glorify him that rode through the deserts, him whose name is the Lord, and exult before him.**

⁵ He is the father of the fatherless, he upholds the cause of the widow: God in his holy dwelling place.

⁶ **He gives the desolate a home to dwell in, and brings the prisoners out into prosperity: but rebels must dwell in a barren land.**

⁷ O God, when you went out before your people: when you marched through the wilderness,

⁸ **The earth shook, the heavens poured down water: before the God of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.**

⁹ You showered down a generous rain, O God: you prepared the land of your possession when it was weary.

¹⁰ **And there your people settled: in the place that your goodness, O God, had made ready for the poor.**

³² Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth: O sing praises to the Lord,

³³ **To him that rides upon the highest heavens, that were from the beginning: who utters his voice, which is a mighty voice.**

³⁴ Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel: and his might is in the clouds.

³⁵ **Terrible is God who comes from his holy place: the God of Israel who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God.**

Second Reading

1 Peter 5

¹ Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you

² to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly.

³ Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock.

⁴ And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away.

⁵ In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for

‘God opposes the proud,
but gives grace to the humble.’

⁶ Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time.

⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

⁸ Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour.

⁹ Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering.

¹⁰ And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you.

¹¹ To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

¹² Through Silvanus, whom I consider a faithful brother, I have written this short letter to encourage you, and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it.

¹³ Your sister church in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark.

¹⁴ Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

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

Gospel

John 17.1-11

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John, Chapter 17 beginning at the 1st verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ⁶ 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

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

Prayer



Worldwide Church:

- The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- Diocese of North West Australia: Bishop Darrell Parker

Our Diocese:

- Bishop Richard & Leanne
- The Parish of Morwell: Sue Jacka & Ross
- Kathy Dalton – Aboriginal Ministry
- Trusts Corporation
- Finance Committee
- All involved in Synod this weekend and for safe travel as the drive home.

Missions:

- Bush Church Aid (BCA)

Special Focus

- Drug & Alcohol Counselling Services
- Al-Anon, Alateen
- AIDS sufferers and those who are HIV positive and those working with them
- AIDS Research

Our Parish:

- We pray for Father Giles, Julia, Darrol, Joana and continue to pray for their community and family in PNG.

- We continue to seek renewal and growth in our parish to encourage a community focused on faith, purpose, outreach, and mission.
- We pray for Parish Council, all our parish groups and outreach, and our Synod representatives Giles, Beryl, Gwyneth and Julie, as they attend Synod this weekend.
- We pray for the health, safety and wellbeing of all parish members and think of those who have asked for our prayers: Alisha, Annabel, Anne, Anton, Brendon, Bruce, Carolyn, Jeff, John, John, Kevin, Nancye, Norma, Pauline, Penny, Ray, Yvonne along with their families and friends.

We give thanks for the life of Suzette (Sue) Milburn. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

PEWS NEWS

From the MODAWA Newsletter (printed in full on Narthex notice board)

For your prayers and support.

The development of the Modawa Institute of Higher Education has come about by the contribution and commitment of many, both in PNG and within our international stakeholders. But it is still an infant in swaddling clothes, full of potential but very fragile. It will continue to need the support of friends and partners if it is to fulfil its potential.

We continue to look to our supporters to provide student scholarships, in either ministry training or teaching (\$1600, or \$800 for half). Most of the students have no support from their own dioceses and struggle for the very basics of life. Your support can be given through an account set up within the Anglican Deposit Fund, Diocese of Gippsland. Account name: Newton College BSB 705 077 A/c 00041107 This is for online banking only (Giving code: student support)

Support ABM's ongoing operational grants to the college (<https://www.abmission.org>). Contribute to the Building Fund This can be done through the Diocese of Gippsland Account, but please make the purpose clear (Giving code: building). The capital works needed to accommodate these new disciplines is an investment in the present and the future!

Transport continues to be a difficulty. The institute is about nine kilometres out of town and the provision of safe transport is of great importance, particularly as our intake of female students grows. Papua New Guinea is a dangerous country and the provision of transport is more than a matter of convenience; it is a matter of safety. The Provincial Government has promised a small bus, which has not arrived. In any

event, we need an additional 11 seater mini-bus. For this, we need about \$AUD 55,000.

Please remember our students. Each week they face basic challenges such as the provision of an adequate diet for their families, access to healthcare, or items like school uniforms. They rely almost entirely on the small allowance we provide of K150 a month for a family (about \$AUD 50) for all their extra needs. They make great sacrifices to train for ministry. Can we make a small sacrifice to support them?

+Jeffrey Driver

GIPPSLAND ANGLICANS
COMMITTED - CONNECTING - CREATIVE

TOWARDS 125 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE REGION
'THE LOVE OF CHRIST URGES US ON' (2 COR 5:14)



In 2027 our Diocese will celebrate 125 years of ministry and service in Gippsland. This milestone offers a wonderful opportunity for every parish and ministry centre to reflect on, celebrate, and tell stories of our share in God's mission to the world.

Start the conversation in your parish today!
Contact the Venerable Sue Jacka with your ideas! Email: suejacka@outlook.com



We invite all parishes to begin thinking about:

- HOSTING A LOCAL CELEBRATION OR SPECIAL EVENT
- SHARING STORIES FROM YOUR PARISH'S HISTORY
- GATHERING PHOTOS, MEMORIES, AND SIGNIFICANT MOMENTS
- RECORDING REFLECTIONS FROM LONG-STANDING MEMBERS

A diocesan calendar of events will be developed for 2027, as well as stories being published in different media forms.

Requests for Assistance, please

From the Op-Shop:

Can you assist? We are looking for people to assist Peter with tip runs (2 hours/week) as Susan will be unavailable for around six weeks. Please let Julie or Jan know if you can help out.

From the Gardening Group:

- ❖ Do you have any unused Shire tip vouchers? If so, can you please consider passing them onto the Gardening Group, as this would save our volunteers \$12-\$25 a trip.
- ❖ Seedlings are being prepared for winter planting. Contributions would be most welcome.
- ❖ Manure to help build up the garden beds would also be welcome
- ❖ A mulcher has been donated, which is a wonderful help!
- ❖ Take a trip to see how the Community Garden at St Luke's is Progressing. We hope that you have been able to sample some of the fresh produce that is in the Narthex from time to time!

Parish Council: Due to Synod Parish Council will not be held today but will meet next Sunday (24th May) at 12.30.

Vision and Mission Group meeting on Mother's Day was postponed and will meet at 1630 on 14th June.

The Week Ahead

Monday 18th May: 1230 Mothers Union meets at St Aidan's

Tuesday 19th May: 10am G4G meet at MVC
11.00 LVV Aged Care

Wednesday 20th May: 10am Wednesday Holy Communion at
St Luke's.
7pm Prayer and Meditation Group at
Madge Vinnell Centre, Anzac Street, Moe.

Friday 22nd May: *Listening Post from 10-12. All welcome to join us.*

Food relief is available. Ring 0475 067 145 for assistance.

1.30pm Bible Study at St Lukes

Saturday 23rd May:

7pm Prayer for the Parish at home

Sunday 24th May: Day of Pentecost (Whitsunday)

9.30am Parish Prayer time in Chapel -All welcome to join.

10.00am Holy Communion at St Aidan's, Newborough

Readings: Acts 2. 1-21 Ps 104. 26-36
1Cor 12.1-13 John 20. 19-23

5.00pm Family Service

Parish Priest in Charge:

Father Giles Motisi:

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(Days off Monday & Tuesday)

Rev'd Bruce Charles: 0429 045 132

Wardens: Marizel Gatica-Charles, Susan Lendon and Jan
Misiurka

Secretary: Julie Bruce: 0407 073 148

Jeanette Ringin (Pastoral Assistant) 5127 7718

Safe Ministry Officer: Stephen Heath 0438 913 572

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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

(Unless advertised as otherwise)

Parish Direct Banking Details:

Account Name: Moe-Newborough Parish Council

BSB: 083 773 **Account:** 915 154 737