



## Scots' Weekly

Friday 7 May 2021

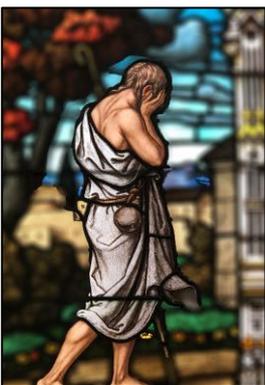
*Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June  
Happy Mother's day.  
We hope your day is a happy one.  
We also remember those mothers who are no longer with us with much love.*



### From Phil's Desk 7 May

Over the last few weeks I've started thinking about better ways to connect with the many tourists who visit us at Scots' through the week. Ken does a great job of welcoming, and showing people around; and I heard one lady on Wednesday comment on how beautifully clean we keep the building. Great work Rick!

We're working to upgrade the print materials we offer to visitors in two ways. First, now that we have much better printing technology, we can easily produce beautiful cards and brochures in-house. You may have noticed the new 'Prayers for You' cards scattered around the building. They're eye catching, and hopefully helpful to visitors who are experiencing hard times.



The wording in the prayer cards has been revised too, in the hope of drawing attention more to the gospel message, proclaiming Christ even in the prayers we offer. With that in mind, here are the prayers included in the cards. You may find them helpful:

#### **A Prayer if you're Bereaved**

Thank you dear God for all the blessings you have given me. I have lost a loved one, and I'm grieving. The Bible says your Son Jesus was 'acquainted with grief' and he wept at the grave of his dear friend Lazarus. Thank you that he knows my sadness. Would you comfort me in this time and give me strength to carry on.  
In Jesus name, Amen

#### **A Prayer if you're unwell**

Dear Lord,  
I've been diagnosed with a serious illness and I'm struggling to come to terms with it. Please help me to look to Jesus, who in his resurrection defeated death, and give me strength to cope each day.  
In Jesus name, Amen

#### **A prayer if your Relationship has failed**

Loving heavenly Father,  
I am so very sad with the breakup of my marriage/relationship. I feel devastated, alone, rejected, and sick at heart. Thank you that your son Jesus knew what it was to be human, knew what it was to be lonely, and knew what it was to be let down by his friends. Please comfort me now, in his name, Amen

### **A prayer if you've lost your job**

Dear God,

I have been made redundant at work and feel worthless and let down. I don't know how I'm going to move forward. Please guide me to find resources to help, and the confidence to move on, knowing that because Jesus said you know even when a sparrow falls, that you know and care for me as well.

In Jesus name, Amen

### **A prayer if you're feeling scared**

Loving Father,

I am so worried about the world right now. There's conflict, and climate change, and sickness all around. Please help me in the midst of these things to trust in Jesus, the one who came and stilled the waves and calmed the storm. Please calm the storm in my heart,

In Jesus name, Amen

### **A prayer if you've lost your way**

Father,

I have sinned against heaven and against you. I have gone my own way and ignored you; I have spent my life chasing after all the wrong things. Please accept me home, and forgive my sins. Thank you that your word teaches that heaven rejoices at the return of one who was lost.

In Jesus name, Amen

The prayer cards also include an invitation to call in at the church office if pastoral support is required. You're welcome to take a copy of the card for yourself or a friend on Sunday.

**Yours in gospel partnership,**

**Phil**

## **Prayer Points from Litha**

**“For You formed my inward parts; You knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well.” Psalm 139:13-14**

As we celebrate Mother's Day on Sunday, we praise and give thanks to God for all mothers.

- Pray for God's blessings, provision, wisdom and protection to all those who have nurtured and cared for us, remembering birth mothers, adoptive mothers, surrogate mothers, aunts, grandmothers, neighbours, teachers, friends, and all motherly figures who have shared their faith with us.
- Pray for mothers and all women who are afflicted or suffering at this time—for those who need healing, require food or shelter, who live in violent homes/communities, and for those who are grieving. May they know the power of God's Love in Christ Jesus to them.
- Pray for the containment of COVID-19 in Australia and the world, particularly in India. Pray for the people of India, its frontline healthcare workers, Churches, Seminaries, Bible Colleges and the Australian Presbyterian World Mission's Partner Church affected by COVID-19. Pray that the believers of Christ Jesus are stronger than ever during this crisis. May through the Holy Spirit's power, people turn to Christ as their only Saviour and Redeemer and be saved.

**Shalom**

**Litha**

### **A helpful tip...**

If you're a little hard of hearing, full sermon transcripts are available on entry to the church for our Sunday 11am service. Just ask the door attendant for a copy.



## **CHURCH DIARY DATES TO BE REMEMBERED**

|   |  |
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| <b>City Bible Study</b>                 | Tuesday 11 May – 6.30pm to 8.30pm                          |
| <b>Kirk Session</b>                     | Wednesday 12 May – 7.30pm                                  |
| <b>Thursday morning prayer group</b>    | Thursday 13 May – 10.30am – Offices - 1/156 Collins Street |
| <b>Thursday Night Bible Study Group</b> | Thursday 13 May – 8pm (via Zoom & phone)                   |
| <b>Congregation meeting</b>             | Sunday 23 May – 12.30pm                                    |
| <b>Board of Management meeting</b>      | Wednesday 26 May – 7.30pm                                  |
| <b>Kirk Session</b>                     | Wednesday 2 June – 7.30pm                                  |
| <b>Holy Communion</b>                   | Sunday 6 June – 11am and 5pm services                      |

## **TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY**

City Bible Study (CBS) meets in the Robert White Hall from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm on Tuesdays. We take a break over school holiday periods. The study starts at 7 pm but if you want to bring your own meal at 6:30 you can. However, COVID requirements bar us from sharing food. BYO cutlery. We would also request you to bring your Bibles, a notebook and pen/pencil to take notes. If the entrance is locked, call Doug on 0437 426 634 or Sonal on 0435 568 335.

## **THURSDAY MORNING WEEKLY PRAYER GROUP**

### **Thursday Morning Prayer Group**

All are welcome to the Prayer Group co-ordinated by Louise Campbell every Thursday at 10.30am in the office at Level 1/156 Collins Street. All welcome. Tea and coffee provided.

**Louise Campbell**

## **THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

Please join us for our Thursday Evening Bible Study Group. You can join us either by computer or phone.

Scots' Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

### **DEVICE**

Topic: Scots' Church Thursday Night Bible Study  
Time: Thursdays, 2021 08:00 PM AEST

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93949098233?pwd=ODNZeDI0dmxSVzNvMDVBekwzQUVkJZz09>

Meeting ID: 939 4909 8233

Passcode: 744940

### **PHONE**

Dial by your location  
7018 2005 (Victoria)

Meeting ID: 939 4909 8233

Passcode: 744940

**Follow this link to find our Zoom details and protocol.** <https://www.scotschurch.com/zoom-guide>

**TIP FOR ZOOM MEETINGS: Don't forget to add your name when you log on to the Zoom Meeting so that your friends know you are part of the meeting.**

## GENERAL NOTICES

### CHANGES TO ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION FOR SUNDAY

#### **Service registration.**

Victorian COVID 19 regulations require that all people attending worship services use electronic registration. This is typically done on a mobile phone.

Please follow these steps.



1. Before coming to Church download the Service Victoria App on to your phone  
Click on this link to find the app. <https://service.vic.gov.au/check-in/>
2. Use the Service Victoria App on your phone to scan the QR codes that are available on entry to the service
  - a. The Scots Church QR code needs to be scanned once per day on the days that you attend Church
  - b. The exception is you attend the 11am and 5pm service on the same day, then you will need to scan both the code for the Church and the Robert White Hall
3. If you are \*unable to scan the QR code, please leave your name and number with the staff person when you enter, they will then scan the QR code on your behalf.

\*We do encourage as many people as possible to use the QR Code to enable a more efficient entry process

#### **We no longer require you to call or email in the week prior to our Church services.**

The only exception to this will be for special events like Christmas and Easter.

We will let you know in advance if you need to pre-register for any event that we think may attract crowds that may exceed our seating capacity.

#### **Kind Regards**

**Jonathan North**

### **CONGREGATION MEETING – 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 at 12.30pm**

Communicate and Adherent members of Scots' Church are invited to attend this congregational meeting, to be held in the sanctuary of The Scots' Church Melbourne following the morning worship service, at 12.30 pm on Sunday 23 May 2021.

The purpose of the meeting is to vote on the list of members and adherents nominated for one vacant position of a Trustee on the Scots' Church Properties Trust. The names, in order of preference, will be forwarded to the Presbytery of Melbourne West. The names will then submitted by the Presbytery to the Governor in Council, where one person will be selected for approval and appointment as a Trustee, filling the existing vacancy. We look forward to your attendance. Details have been sent by email and to those without email via post on the 7<sup>th</sup> May.

### **SAFE CHURCH TRAINING AND REFRESHER COURSE**

**Safe Church Basic Training** — Saturday 5th June 2021 - 9.30am - 11.30am in the Robert White Meeting Rooms, Level 1, 156 Collins Street.

This must be completed once by all people in ministry roles.

This includes ALL Ministers, Elders, Board members, Bible Study Leaders, Music Ministry Leaders, Pastoral Carers and all those who work with children under 18 in Sunday School, etc.

Anyone else is also welcome to attend.

**Register via email: [safechurch@pcv.org.au](mailto:safechurch@pcv.org.au) or text 0499 090 449 by 3rd June 2021**

#### **Safe Church Online Refresher Course**

A short online presentation to be viewed once every 12 months by all those who have previously completed the Basic Training. This can be found on YouTube by searching "PCV Safe Church Refresher Course". Here are the link details.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mKmCLPK3jpY>

Jonathan North, Scots' Church Safe Church Rep

## FLEMINGTON MISSION

The Mission thanks members who regularly support the Mission.

While a monetary gift is still preferable, there are some non-perishable items that are required. If you are not currently a contributor but wish to become one, there is a Mission collection spot in the Mezzanine Level of the Westpac building or in the Robert White Hall at 1/156 Collins Street.

Currently they are requiring the following items.

1. Long Life Milk.
2. Small one serve tins of fish
3. Small packets of microwave rice
4. Noodles
5. Pasta Sauce
6. Shampoo
7. Toilet Paper
8. **Cooking oil/olive oil (new addition)**

Many thanks to those that have donated to the Mission via the Mezzanine collection spot!

All items have been greatly appreciated!



### SAUSAGE SIZZLE RETURNS

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May from 11.30am – 2pm

All welcome.

## Social Hour

You are welcome to the social hour after the 11am service on Sunday. Tea, coffee, and biscuits will be available in the Scots' Church Function room, which is located on the Mezzanine level of the Westpac building, please ask at either registration desk for directions."

| May 2021 Daily Bible Readings |           |           |                |              |                 |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 7                             | Num 15    | Isa 5     | Mark 14: 53-65 | Gal 3: 19-26 | Psalm 58: 1-5   |
| 8                             | Num 16    | Isa 6     | Mark 14: 66-72 | Gal 3: 27-29 | Psalm 58: 6-11  |
| 9                             | Num 17,18 | Isa 7     | Mark 15:1-20   | Gal 4: 1-7   | Psalm 59: 1-5   |
| 10                            | Num 19    | Isa 8     | Mark 15: 21-41 | Gal 4: 8-11  | Psalm 59: 6-13  |
| 11                            | Num 20    | Isa 9     | Mark 15: 42-47 | Gal 4: 12-20 | Psalm 59: 14-17 |
| 12                            | Num 21    | Isa 10    | Mark 16: 1-8   | Gal 4: 21-31 | Psalm 60: 1-5   |
| 13                            | Num 22    | Isa 11,12 | Mark 16: 9-20  | Gal 5: 1-6   | Psalm 60: 6-12  |

## 'Thought for the week'

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Romans 15: 13



**The people of The Scots' Church started meeting together in 1838,  
and since 1874 have worshipped at the present building.  
All who share in the basis of our faith  
are encouraged to apply for membership.**

### How to contact us

Telephone information and after-hours answering service: 9650 9903  
Email: [admin@scotschurch.com](mailto:admin@scotschurch.com) Web: [www.scotschurch.com](http://www.scotschurch.com)

### The Ministry Team

|                              |                      |              |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Scots' Church:               | Rev Philip Campbell  | 9650 9903    |
| Indonesian Christian Church: | Prof Sen Sendjaya    | 0430 479 898 |
|                              | Rev Christian Tirtha | 0405 459 054 |
| St Stephen's Flemington      | Rev Andrew Wong      | 9376 3777    |
|                              | Missioner/Minister   |              |

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| Pastoral Care:              | Rev Litha Heshusius      | 0414 826 169 |
|                             | Mr David Gibb (Convenor) | 9650 9903    |
| Music Ministry:             | Mr Douglas Lawrence AM   | 9650 9903    |
| Session Clerk:              | Miss Rosalie Strother    | 9650 9903    |
| Deputy Clerk:               | Dr Rosemary Fethers      | 9650 9903    |
| Administrator - Operations: | Mr Jonathan North        | 9650 9903    |
| Finance Manager:            | Mr Murray Hirst          | 9650 9903    |

### **FREE WILL OFFERINGS**

It is preferred that you continue your giving by electronic means as it eliminates any health risk to our staff. However, worshipers attending service are now able to give their free-will offering in cash preferably using clean notes in planned giving or plain envelopes to minimise the health risks to themselves and to staff. For public hygiene reasons, the offering will not be collected during the service. For the 11.00AM service, a Perspex box will be positioned near the entrance at the South East Door for worshippers to place money in as they arrive or leave. A similar arrangement will be made for the 5.00PM service.

Other freewill offering methods are:

- By electronic transfer to BSB **083 004**, Account number **630 327 585**
  - By cheque made out to The Scots' Church Melbourne and posted to 1/156 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000
  - By credit card over the phone, Telephone the office on 9650 9903
- For public health reasons, **do not** send cash into the Church Office.

**Change of details** — If your contact details have recently changed please don't forget to let the office know. This way we can keep you up to date with Church information. Phone: 9650 9903 and leave a message or email to [wendy@scotschurch.com](mailto:wendy@scotschurch.com)

**How to navigate our web site to find the following information.**

- Scots' Weekly - <https://www.scotschurch.com/scots-weekly>
- The pastoral letters - <https://www.scotschurch.com/blog/post/latest-pastoral-letter>
- The Leaflet - <https://www.scotschurch.com/the-leaflet>
- The sermons - <https://www.scotschurch.com/sermons>
- The ICC website – [www.icc-melbourne.org](http://www.icc-melbourne.org)
- The Flemington Mission - <https://www.scotschurch.com/flemington-mission>

### **PRESBYTERIAN AND SCOTS' CHURCH JOINT MISSION**

The Flemington Mission is located at St Stephen's Church 26 Norwood St, Flemington.

Opening hours are 10am to 1pm every Tuesday. All welcome!

Please continue to pray for us and support us financially or through donations.

BSB: 083 004

Account No.: 51512 1952.

All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Cheques, made out to the Presbyterian & Scots' Church Joint Mission, can be mailed to: The Treasurer, Mrs Glenys Wright 86 Kurunjang Drive KURUNJANG VIC 3337

**Rev Andrew Wong**

**Missioner/Minister**

**9376 3777**

<https://www.scotschurch.com/flemington-mission>

### **CANTATA 61 – The Bach Cantatas**

Nun komm, Heiden Heiland

*Now Come, Saviour of the Gentiles*

The Cantata is performed by the Scots' Church Choir, conducted by Douglas Lawrence AM, with introductions by Rev. Philip Court and is available to view anytime of YouTube.

This is the cantata that includes the famous word of the risen and ascended Christ.

"See! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come into him and eat with him, and he with me."

#### **Revelations 3:20**

You can click on this link to view it now.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1c6k0bJewTE>

### **Planned Giving**

An invitation is extended to Members and friends of Scots' to join the Planned Giving Program for 2021.

A box of weekly envelopes can be provided for you to make a regular weekly offering. For further information please contact the Wendy Gregory via email [wendy@scotschurch.com](mailto:wendy@scotschurch.com).

**Sermons online** — Just a reminder that a back catalogue of sermons is available online. New sermons are uploaded to our web site regularly.

[www.scotschurch.com/sermons](http://www.scotschurch.com/sermons)

### **Leaflet**

The March 2021 edition of the Leaflet is available to read on our web site.

<https://www.scotschurch.com/the-leaflet>

**BIG HYMN SING** is still available for viewing on the YouTube Channel, click on this link:

<https://www.scotschurch.com/big-hymn-sing>