

# The Anglican Parish of Benalla

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
16 September 2018



**Welcome to our parish today!**

## **GRACE**

**Grow** our congregation to be a stronger presence in the community.

**Reach** out through active pastoral care.

**Actively** engage the giftedness of our congregation in relation to their time, talents and treasures.

**Create** opportunities for mission and evangelism.

**Encourage** collaborative ways of ministry.

Our aim is to be agents of God's GRACE in our Church and Community.

# Gathering in God's Name

## *Introit Hymn*

- 1 Community of Christ,  
who make the Cross your own,  
live out your creed and risk your life  
for God alone:  
the God who wears your face,  
to whom all worlds belong,  
whose children are of every race  
and every song.
  
- 2 Community of Christ,  
look past the Church's door  
and see the refugee, the hungry,  
and the poor.  
Take hands with the oppressed,  
the jobless in your street,  
take towel and water, that you wash  
your neighbour's feet.
  
- 3 Community of Christ,  
through whom the word must sound -  
cry out for justice and for peace  
the whole world round:  
disarm the powers that war  
and all that can destroy,  
turn bombs to bread, and tears of anguish  
into joy.
  
- 4 When menace melts away,  
so shall God's will be done,  
the climate of the world be peace  
and Christ its Sun;  
our currency be love  
and kindness our law,  
our food and faith be shared as one  
for evermore.

Shirley Erena Murray  
1931

In the name of God. Father. Son. and Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

The Confession

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

*A short time of silence is kept.*

**Merciful God,  
our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you  
in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,

who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## The Collect

*silence is kept.*

God of mercy,  
help us to forgive as you have forgiven us,  
to trust you even when hope is failing,  
and to take up our cross daily  
and follow you in your redeeming work;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Children's Talk

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.            1.20-33

For the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

From Psalm 19

**R        The precepts of the Lord give joy, give joy to the heart.**

1        The law of the Lord is perfect,  
          it revives the soul  
          The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
          it gives wisdom to the simple.

2        The precepts of the Lord are right,  
          they gladden the heart.  
          The command of the Lord is clear,  
          it gives light to the eyes.

3        The fear of the Lord is holy,  
          abiding for ever.  
          The decrees of the Lords are truth  
          and all of them just.

4 They are more to be desired than gold,  
than the purest of gold  
and sweeter are they than honey,  
than honey from the comb.

**R The precepts of the Lord give joy, give joy to the heart.**

A reading from the Letter of James. 3.1-12

For the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer:  
and after three days rise again.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

A reading from the Gospel according to St Mark 8.27-38

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

At the end of the Gospel

For the Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon:

**The Creed**

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the almighty,**

**maker of heaven and earth,**

**of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light,**

**true God from true God,**

**begotten, not made,**

of one being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the world and the Church.

At the end of the prayers:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord;  
**and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith  
we may by your grace receive,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# The Greeting of Peace

We are the Body of Christ.

**His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us then share with one another the sign of God's peace.

Offertory Hymn

1 I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Dance then wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

2 I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
But they would not dance and they would not follow me.  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John  
They came with me and the dance went on.

*Dance then...*

3 I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;  
The holy people said it was a shame.  
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;  
They left me there on a cross to die.

*Dance then...*

4 I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black  
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.  
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;  
But I am the dance and I still go on.

*Dance then...*



5 They cut me down and I leapt up high;  
I am the life the will never, never die;  
I'll live in you as you live in me  
I am the Lord of the Dance said he.

*Dance then...*

Sydney Carter  
1915 –

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands it will become our spiritual drink.

**Blessed be God forever.**

Holy God,  
grant that as we are reconciled at this table,  
so we may seek wholeness for our broken world.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



# The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross  
and rising to new life,  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you  
for these gifts of your creation,  
this bread and wine,  
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,  
we who eat and drink them  
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;  
and when he had given you thanks  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,  
and again giving you thanks  
he gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Drink from this, all of you.  
This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:  
proclaiming his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again,  
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,  
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.  
Renew us by your Holy Spirit,  
unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people  
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father,  
in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Communion Rite

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours**

**now and for ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,

**for we all share in the one bread.**

**Jesus, lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,**

**but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Post Communion Hymn

1. Will you come and follow me If I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean? And do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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## The Dismissal

Let us pray.

Almighty God,  
through this sacrament  
take possession of us, body and soul,  
so that our lives may respond  
not to our own will,  
but to the working of these holy gifts.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father,  
**we offer ourselves to you  
as a living sacrifice  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

The Notices:

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### Recessional Hymn

- 1       Take my life, and let it be  
          consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
          take my moments and my days,  
          let them flow in ceaseless praise.
  
- 2       Take my hands, and let them move  
          at the impulse of thy love;  
          take my feet, and let them be  
          swift and beautiful for thee.
  
- 3       Take my voice, and let me sing  
          always, only, for my King;  
          take my lips, and let them be  
          filled with messages from thee.
  
- 4       Take my silver and my gold,  
          nothing, Lord, would I withhold;  
          take my intellect, and use  
          every power as thou shalt choose.
  
- 5       Take my will and make it thine;  
          it shall be no longer mine.  
          take my heart, it is thine own;  
          it shall be thy royal throne.
  
- 6       Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
          at thy feet its treasure store;  
          take my self, and I will be  
          ever, only, all for thee.

Frances Ridley Havergal  
1836 – 79  
*alt.*

**Prayer List**

Leanne, Sharon Sleeth, Melinda, Verna Pestell, Laurel Burch, Bev Green, Peter, Mark, Len Levy, Richard, Timmy, Matthew, Roma, Fr Stuart Eiseman, Liz, Denise, Andy Banks, June, Chris.

**Years Minds.**

- 16 Loris Jean Walker, James Edward Lawther.
- 17 Alice Ann Williams, William Henry Bridgefoot
- 18 Olive Brunetta Seacombe, Winifred Muriel Horsburgh.
- 19 Uriah Elizabeth Ann Johnson, Lillian Jane Martin, Sarah Anne Swain, Alwyn Robert Gregory.
- 20 Peter Cecil Hale, Eric John Webster, Adeline May Rigbye, John Little, William Henry Dunn, Joyce Mary Stubington, Vera Lorna Stolz, Philip Terrence Mallinder, Amy Elizabeth Murray.
- 21 Hercules Arthur Stow.
- 22 John Davies Crocker.

# Coming Events

## Bible Film Series

Mary Magdalen 16th September

Paul the Apostle 28th October

17 September

Annual Ladies Group Luncheon

To be held in

Our Parish Centre on

Monday, 17th September, at 12.00 Noon.

Entry \$12.

The Guest Speaker will be Sally Mathieson,  
Manager of Education Benalla Program,  
at Tomorrow/Today Foundation.

Gluten Free Food Available.

30 September

Whole Parish Service at St Aidan's, Swanpool at 11.15 am followed  
by a bring your own lunch.

14 October

Blessing of Pets and Animals at 3.00 pm



# Notices and Coming Events

## Annual Meetings

- 7 October: Holy Trinity Benalla and St Paul's Goorambat  
14 October St Aidan's, Swanpool.  
21 October Parish Annual General Meeting.

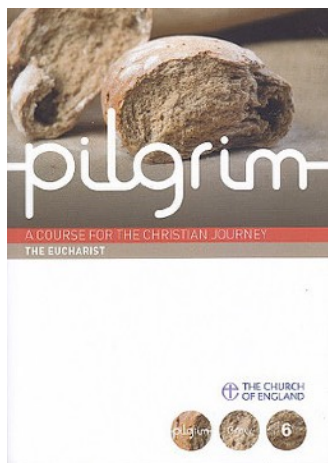
## Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes will begin early in the fourth school term and run weekly until the week of the confirmation. The Confirmation will take place on Sunday, 9th December at the 9.30 service at Holy Trinity. Please contact Father David for more information or if you know of someone who is interested.

**Pastoral Care.** Pastoral Care is an important part of our Parish life, and we are looking for those who would like to volunteer to become Pastoral Carers in and across the Parish. This was talked about at the end of July and we are now asking that people put their names forward to become a part of the Pastoral Care Team. Please put your name on the list on the notice board.

Please put your names down for the activities in the parish that you will be able to help our with in the coming year.

We will be having the Reverse Advent again this year. please start thinking in what ways you may be able to assist with this important part of the mission of the parish.



**Holy Trinity Study Group will recommence on Monday, 24 September.**

**Direct Deposits** for the offertory: If you wish to pay your offering directly into the parish bank account through internet banking, you are to do so by paying into this account number. National Australia Bank, Anglican Parish of Benalla 083 541 51 568 8430

If you have a notice for the Pew Sheet phone or email Chris Pollard on 5762 8397 or [idadamay3@me.com](mailto:idadamay3@me.com)

# This Week

## **Sunday 16**

8.00 am

9.30 am

2.00 pm

## **Pentecost 17**

Eucharist

Sung Eucharist

Mary Magdalen Film and discussion

## **Monday 17**

10.00 am

## **Father David on leave for the week.**

Cooinda Eucharist

## **Tuesday 18**

8.30 am

Breakfast Program

## **Wednesday 19**

4.00 pm

Steps of Faith

## **Thursday 20**

8.30 am

Breakfast Program

9.30 am

Eucharist

## **Friday 21**

8.30 am

Breakfast Program, Avon Street

## **Sunday 23**

8.00 am

9.30 am

11.15 am

## **Pentecost 18**

Eucharist

Sung Eucharist

St Aidan's, Swanpool.

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	Pentecost 17 16 September	Pentecost 18 23 September	Pentecost 19 30 September	Pentecost 20 October
Reader 1	Ann Hansen	Susan Mann		Molly Craig
Reader 2	Susan Mann	Robyn Marshall		Jean Evans
Ushers	Helen Davies and Dorothy Meagher	Stan and Margaret Clarke		Robyn Marshall and Annette Wapling
Welcomer	Christine Challman	Dorothy Meagher		Helen Davies
Intercessor	Fr David	Father Bill		Heather Lloyd
Morning Tea	Robyn Marshall	Nola McDonald		Margaret Saker
Counters	Molly Craig and Christine Challman	David Beer and Dawne Tonks		Molly Craig and Christine Challman
Eucharistic Assistant	Ann Hansen			Christine Challman
First Reading	Proverbs 1.20-33	Proverbs 31.10-31	Esther 7.1-6, 9-10, 9.20-22	Job 1.1, 2.1-10
Second Reading	James 3.1-12	James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a	James 5.13-20	Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.5-12
Gospel Reading	Mark 8.27-38	Mark 9.30-37	Mark 9.38-50	Mark 10.2-16

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All are welcome to be on the Parish Roll. Please contact the Parish Office or a Warden to get a form to fill in and return to the office.

The Parish Office is open Thursday from 10.30am until 12 noon

Please contact Fr. David Still, or our Pastoral Care team, through Dawne Tonks, Dorothy Meagher or Grace Beer if you would like to enquire about Baptism, Confirmation, Weddings or wish to request a visit in Hospital or at Home, or are in need of Home Communion.

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