

### 18th November

Fire Extinguisher Inspections 9.00 am Bannockburn 9.40 am Inverleigh 7.00 pm House Group Teesdale

#### 19th November

12 noon Archdeaconry Combined
Deanery End of Year Gathering
Waurn Ponds Hotel

### 21st November

11.00 am Wedding St Johns Footscray

### 25th November

7.00 pm House Group Teesdale

### 30th November

10.00 am Combine Parish Worship
St Paul's Inverleigh
11.30 am Annual Meeting of
Parishioners
St Paul's Inverleigh
4.00 pm Installation Abp Ric Thorpe

### 2nd December

7.00 pm House Group Teesdale

### 4th December

4.00 pm Nativity Selfie St John's

## **Parish Roster for November 23**

### **Church Cleaning:**

Inverleigh: Dianne Morgan Bannockburn: Gill and Phil

Dickson

Reading:

Bannockburn: David Bannister

**Communion Assistant:** 

Inverleigh: Geoff Morgan Bannockburn: David Bannister

**Morning Tea:** 

Bannockburn: David Bannister

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# Golden Plains Anglican News

Living the Gospel in Our Community

Inverleigh Bannockburn Meredith

16th November 2025—TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY after PENTECOST [33]

# HOW 'CAMPUS CLIMATE' AFFECTS STUDENTS' ATTITUDES TO PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT RELIGIONS

This research in UK universities encourages us in all community life how to create a climate enabling questioning of the stereotypes we hold about different faiths, as well as the assumptions about our own beliefs.

niversities have a role to play in helping their students relate to others of different religious backgrounds, especially at a time of concern over antisemitism and Islamophobia on campus.



A survey of 1,000 Buddhist, Christian, and Sikh students twice, one year apart assessed how the university environment, or campus climate, influences how students engage with other religions and worldviews. Students' positive engagement with differences in religion and worldview was called "pluralism orientation". Three key features of the campus climate affect how positively students feel about difference in religion and worldview: **diversity, discussion, and safety**.

First, students feel more positive about difference when they see a **diversity of worldviews** around them. When students think of their campus as a place inhabited by students of a wide range of religious and non-religious worldviews, this correlates with growth in pluralism orientation. Interestingly, this is less about actual diversity than perceived diversity. We tested an analysis of actual diversity, and it wasn't significant. It's what students perceive that makes a difference.

Second, students' pluralism orientation grows when they have spaces to express their religion or worldview. Having spaces where students feel safe to be themselves, with like-minded others, leads them

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## Worship Today: TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY after PENTECOST [33]

**Sentence**: May the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

**Collect**: Lord God of all ages, the One who is, who was, and who is to come: stir up within us the longing for your kingdom, keep our hearts steady in all times of trial, and grant us patient endurance until the Sun of justice dawns. We make our prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Readings: Isaiah 65:17-25; A Song of Isaiah (APBA p. 391);

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

Hvmns:

*Inverleigh*: 555 – Put all your trust in God; 616 – O day of God draw near; 665 – Jesus Christ is waiting; 571 – Forth in your name O lord I go

Bannockburn: We want to see Jesus lifted high; The power of your love (Lord I come to you); All heaven declares; There is a redeemer; Jesus Christ is waiting; Lord you have my heart; Forth in your name O lord I go; Be bold! Be strong!

**Meredith**: We want to see Jesus lifted high; The power of your love (Lord I come to you); Put all your trust in God; Jesus Christ is waiting; Forth in your name O lord I go; For I'm building a people of power

**Intercessions**: ...in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

**World**: peace in the Holy Land, Ukraine, India & Pakistan, Thailand & Cambodia and all places in conflict, war, or threat of war; for South Sudan and all developing nations; where there is injustice, loss of freedom, racism, misogyny and death, where there is need for education, health services; for all national leaders to bring about justice and grace in an ever changing and uncertain world.

**Church**: to share the good news of God's kingdom in an uncertain world; Bp Sarah to be installed as Archbishop of Canterbury, Bp Mark Short as our National Primate, Bp Ric Thorpe to be installed as Archbishop of Melbourne (and Louie), Bp Brad and the Oodthenong Episcopal Area; our Annual Meeting of Parishioners, election of lay leadership; for parish organisational and administrative unity and financial viability; working toward the promise of God.

**Community**: the Wadawarrung and all our first nations peoples, their elders; the Yoorook Justice Commission; all who come into our communities of any race, creed, colour, faith, or no faith will experience welcome and belonging; all experiencing times of uncertainty and transition, those without work, those facing redundancy and those facing financial insecurity.

**Those in need**: Matt Bellchambers, Shirley Musgrove, Melinda Gregory, Karen Schulze, Jenny Bannister, Margaret McLaren, Sarah Rees, Jayden Rees, Fay McFarlane, Jesse Osborne, Phil Dickson, Paul Duke, Josie Andrews, Naomi Peel, Alison King, Josie Harvey, Mawut Gotbaii, and Wek Deng.

# ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

Sunday 30th November
11.30 am
Following Combined
Parish Eucharist
10.00 am
St Paul's Inverleigh
Organisational Reports and
Audited Finances in by today
16th November
Next Week
23rd November
the Meeting Booklets will be
Distributed.
Please read and bring them
with you to the Meeting

# INSTALLATION OF ARCHBISHOP RIC THORPE

Sunday 30th November
4.00 pm
St Paul's Cathedral
Melbourne
Parish will be represented by Revd
Tim and Bruce McDonald.

# NATIVITY SELFIE



4—8 pm 4th December St John's Bannockburn during Bannockckburn Twilight Christmas Market. Please be available.

# ARE YOU ON THE PARISH ELCTORAL ROLL?

Not to be confused with the Parish Contact List, to participate fully in the Annual Meeting of Parishioners, nominate, vote, and hold office, you must be on the Parish Electoral Roll:

ADAMSON Isla

**BANNISTER David BANNISTER Jenny** BAYLIS Will **BLACKMAN Darrell BOLITHO John DICKSON GIII** DICKSON Phil DUKE Freda DUKE Paul **EVANS John GREGORY Melinda HARVEY Josie** KING Alison MARSETTI Ivan McDONALD Bruce McDONALD Liz McFARLANE Fay **MORGAN** Dianne **MORGAN Geoff** MUSGROVE Shirley **NEWLANDS Carol OATES Lynette** OSBORNE David PALMER-HOWLETT George SHELLEY Debra SIMPSON Mary **SLADE Julia** SZABO Christina THORNTON Luanne **UPTON Graham WILSON Carol** WOOD Wendy

If you are not, please ask for an application form from Revd Tim.

Attendance at Worship Services does not assume enrolment

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to have a more positive attitude to those who are different from them. It might seem paradoxical, but feeling safe on campus, having a chaplaincy space to pray at lunchtime, a student society for others of the same worldview, or a religious diet that's catered for by the university cafeteria, gives students the resilience they need to engage well with different religions and worldviews.

Third, it's important that students have **critical conversations** that help them challenge their own and others' worldviews, "provocative encounters". They are conversations that provoke students to question the stereotypes they hold about others, as well as their unexamined assumptions about their own beliefs. These happen both in the classroom and outside it, as students socialise or live in student accommodation. A Sikh student talked about the dinners she cooked for her white Christian and non-religious flatmates. Eating together sparked conversations about their different faiths and cultures.

Some aspects of the campus climate led to students' pluralism orientation declining. One example is when they heard insensitive comments about their worldview. These might be from friends, peers or staff. This is a tricky area. The key point is that when students feel their worldviews are under significant threat, they're less likely to engage with religiously different others in a positive way. Instead, they will close down, compartmentalise life and study, and miss out on the value university provides.

Healthy debate is vital to ensuring freedom of speech and helping students grow intellectually. Creating opportunities for students to have the provocative encounters they need to mature in their own views should be central to what universities do. Students are good at doing this in their own social spaces. But sometimes staff shy away from classroom discussions of students' worldviews, perhaps out of fear of causing offence.

Some students we spoke to talked about feeling their views were "shut down" by lecturers who didn't want to discuss religion. This needs to change. Provocative encounters should not turn into coercive or hate-filled shouting matches, but universities should nurture robust debate and dialogue about religion, politics and social relations.

Religion is global and ubiquitous. So it's something we should not avoid. Our findings show the need for institutional practices that promote pluralism. This can be done through providing supportive spaces to engage with worldview differences in ways that ensure safety and exploration, creating climates where everyone learn about religion.

# **Bible Readings**

## **Prayer for the week:**

Almighty God, whose sovereign purpose none can make void: give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, knowing that your kingdom shall come and your will be done, to your eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

### Monday

Hilda of Whitby, abbess (d.680) *Monastic* Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln (d.1200) *Bishop* 

*Morning*: Ps 40

2 Kings 19:1-20

Matthew 24:32-51

**Evening**: Pss 42 & 43

Ecclesiastes 3:10-22 Revelation 6:12-7:8

### Tuesday

*Morning:* Pss 41 & 44:1-9

2 Kings 19:30-37

Matthew 25:1-13

**Evening**: Ps 44:10-27

Ecclesiastes 4
Revelation 7:9-17

## Wednesday

Elizabeth of Hungary (d.1231) Saint Princess and philanthropist

*Morning*: Ps 45

2 Kings 20

Matthew 25:14-30

**Evening**: Pss 46 & 47

Ecclesiastes 5:1-12

Revelation 8

# Thursday

*Morning*: Ps 48

2 Kings 21:1-18 Matthew 25:31-46

**Evening**: Ps 49

Ecclesiastes 5:13-6:9 Revelation 9:1-12

### Friday

Morning: Ps 50

2 Kings 21:19-22:11

Mark 1:1-13

**Evening**: Ps 119:41-64

Ecclesiastes 6:10-7:13 Revelation 9:13-21

### Saturday

Morning: Ps 51

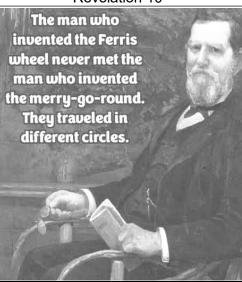
2 Kings 22:12-23:3

Mark 1:14-28

**Evening**: Pss 52 & 53

Ecclesiastes 7:14-29

Revelation 10



Next Sunday 23rd November CHRIST THE KING 8.00 am Holy Communion

Inverleigh

10.00 am All-Age Communion

Bannockburn

5.00 pm Holy Communion

# Meredith Readings

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Song of Zechariah (APBA p.10)

*or* Ps 46

Colossians 1:11-20

Luke 23:33-43