

Welcome Please join us for morning tea

Mustard Seed Thankyou Afternoon Tea

4th May 3pm:

To acknowledge & celebrate the vital role of the MS in supporting the parish & enabling our program of giving.

Catering: We have enough vollies to set-up, but please see **Bev Sheard** if you can contribute a savoury or sweet plate to share.

Parish Diary

Revd Sue will be unavailable May 12 – June 5 (leave & regular days off).

Please direct queries to parish phone/email or to wardens & lay minsters.

May 4 Mon	Mustard Seed Thankyou Afternoon Tea 3pm
May 10	Morning Prayer St L Holy Communion, Revd Sue, St G Twilight Meditation 5.30 for 6pm St L
May 17	Holy Communion St L, Rev Sally Morning Prayer St G
May 24	Holy Communion St L, Rev Sally Morning Prayer St G
May 28 Thur	Parish Council 1.30 St L meeting room
May 31	Festival of Voice Morning Prayer St L EP TBA Morning Prayer St G

REGULAR SERVICES & GATHERINGS

Sunday Eucharist/Morning Prayer: St Leonard's **9.30am**; St George's **10am**

Twilight Meditations St Leonard's 2nd Sun 5.30 practice for 6pm

Evening Prayer: St Leonard's last Sunday of month, 6pm, except December

Choir Practice: St Leonard's Saturday 10.30-11, then coffee.

Men's Breakfast: 3rd Sat of month – see Nigel for reminders & rsvp

DIRECT GIVING: BSB: 706-001 ACCT: 3000 4673 *Online only*
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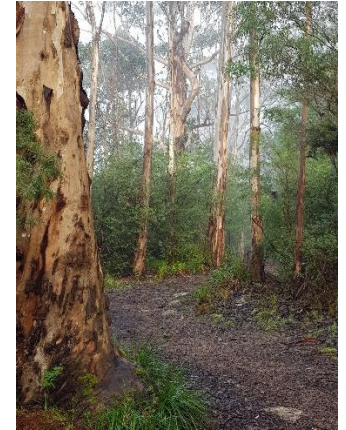
Special Donation: quote "Seating" in description

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& mail to PO Box 277 Denmark WA 6333

3rd May 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Year A



Prayers of the Day

Everliving God,
whose Son Jesus Christ
is the way, the truth, and the life:
give us grace to love one another,
to follow in the way of his commandments,
and to share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

APBA

Generous God,
whose way is love, whose truth is searching,
whose life is freely given in Jesus Christ our Lord:
as you have opened for us your house of many rooms,
so may we make a place for the rejected and unloved,
and share the work of peace;
through Jesus Christ, the image of God. Amen

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Stephen Shakespeare, 2008

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Licensed Lay Ministers: Harold Luxton, Alison Kershaw, Sally Prickett,
Jane James, Tom Sheard

Wardens: Tine Adams, Harold Luxton, Tom Sheard

*We endeavour to be an expression of God's love
in the community*

Acts 7.55-60

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

Psalms 31.1-5, 31.17-18

¹ To you, Lord, have I come for shelter: **let me never be put to shame.**

² O deliver me in your righteousness:

incline your ear to me and be swift to save me.

³ Be for me a rock of refuge, a fortress to defend me:

for you are my high rock and my stronghold.

⁴ Lead me and guide me for your name's sake:

**bring me out of the net that they have secretly laid for me,
for you are my strength.**

⁵ Into your hands I commit my spirit:

you will redeem me, O Lord God of truth.

¹⁷ All my days are in your hand:

**O deliver me from the power of my enemies
and from my persecutors.**

¹⁸ Make your face to shine upon your servant:

and save me for your mercy's sake.

1 Peter 2.11-25

Beloved, I urge you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the desires of the flesh that wage war against the soul. Conduct yourselves honourably among the Gentiles, so that, though they malign you as evildoers, they may see your honourable deeds and glorify God when he comes to judge. For the Lord's sake accept the authority of every human institution, whether of the emperor as supreme, or of governors, as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right.

For it is God's will that by doing right you should silence the ignorance of the foolish.

As servants of God, live as free people, yet do not use your freedom as a pretext for evil. Honour everyone. Love the family of believers. Fear God. Honour the emperor.

Slaves, accept the authority of your masters with all deference, not only those who are kind and gentle but also those who are harsh. For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

'He committed no sin,

and no deceit was found in his mouth.'

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

John 14.1-14

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

*Next Week: Acts 17.22-31, Ps 6.7-19, 1 Peter 3.8-22, John 14.15-21
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