



MORDIALLOC MOORINGS
*A weekly newsletter from St Nicholas Anglican Church,
Mordialloc*
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9TH AUGUST 2026

Please wear your name tags to help Fr Christo get to know us.

Dear Friends,

Greetings to you all in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is always there in the middle of our stormy and life-threatening experiences calming the extreme situations.

Jesus walking on water, enabling Peter to do the same, and stilling the storm is the second of two 'nature miracles' recorded in Matthew 14. Combined with the prior one, feeding of the five thousand, the two serve to reveal Jesus' true nature to his disciples. They confirm messianic identity and pave the way for three declarations 'You are the Son of God,' at the end of this pericope; 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God,' in 16: 16, 'this is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him' at the Transfiguration in 17: 5.



It is not entirely clear what prompts Peter's desire to come to Jesus across the sea. Love, boldness, bravado? Perhaps all three - but also a measure of faith: 'Lord, if it is you, command me...' (v28). Faith enables Peter to participate in Jesus' divine power to tread underfoot, for a few moments at least, the forces of destruction. Then doubt arrives. Peter takes his eyes off Jesus and 'sees' instead only the force of the wind. His plea for rescue, 'Lord save me!' This can apply to members of our contemporary Church. So friends, let us always have our focus on Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour and have faith in Christ Jesus and be attached to Jesus always.

Shalom.

Fr Christo.

We Pray for:

Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers' Union; General Synod

The World: Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea

The Anglican Communion: The Episcopal Church; Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe

The Anglican Church of Australia: Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn: Bishop Mark Short; Bishop Vanessa Bennett; St Saviour's Cathedral, Dean Gavin Andreas Krebs; clergy, lay ministers and people

The Diocese of Melbourne: Jumbunna Episcopate, Archdeaconry of Frankston, Deanery of Frankston & Kingston South: St Paul's Frankston, St Luke's Frankston East, St Thomas' Langwarrin with St Peter's Pearcedale, St John's Frankston North with St Luke's Carrum Downs, Anglican Parish of Longbeach, Mount Eliza Anglican Parish

Anglican Schools and Agencies: Hume Anglican Grammar School

Bishops' Visitation: Archbishop Ric Thorpe – The Parish of the Holy Name of Jesus, Vermont South; Opening of General Synod, St Paul's Cathedral; Bishop Paul Barker – St Paul's Frankston



This Week's Scheduled Happenings at St Nichs:

Sunday 9th Mary Sumner Day 1876 – 2026 150 Years of MU Ministry

Sunday 9th Trade Table following the 9.15am Service in the Narthex

Thursday 13th Bible Study 7.30pm via zoom, Join with links or passcodes below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84953966902?pwd=SFJsRXV5ZlA3SHA0cjhoODd1cjZKUT09> OR:

ID: 849 5396 6902 Passcode: 772237



Click on the QR code
for our website

Sunday 16th August is Fr Christo's last service with us.

We will be holding a dedicated Morning Tea to say a heartfelt thank you.

If possible, please bring a small plate to share.

Please see Penny, Shirley or Marilyn.

"In This Season"

Later this month, the Diocese will launch "In This Season", a new regular newsletter sharing stories, reflections, prayer and encouragement from across the Diocese.

It will help people stay connected with what God is doing across Melbourne and Geelong and join in prayer for our shared life together. It is free to receive and open to everyone.

You can sign up <<[here](#)>>

Do you have anything you would like to announce or advertise in Mordialloc Moorings?

Let the office know by email:
office@stnicholasmordi.org.au

Please Note: our complex is used by:

Monday: Peaceful Living Yoga, 6.00pm - 7.00pm & 7.15 - 8.15pm

Tuesday: Peaceful Living Yoga, 10.00am-11.00am

Thursday: Peaceful Living Yoga 10.00 – 11.00am
Parkinson's Support Group 1 - 3pm
(2nd Thursday of the month)

(Please avoid entering the Church at these times)

Would you like to contribute to the works of St Nicholas? Please use our QR code.



	Readings and Hymns for the next two weeks
9th August 11th Sunday after Pentecost	Readings: Genesis 37: 1-4, 12 – 28; Psalm 105: 1 – 6, 16 – 22; Romans 10: 4 – 15; Gospel Matthew 14: 22 – 36. Hymns: TiS 125: The God of Abraham praise; TiS 143: Immortal, invisible, God only wise; TiS 598: Dear Father, Lord of humankind; TiS 658: I, the Lord of sea and sky.
16th August 12th Sunday after Pentecost	Readings: Genesis 45: 1 – 15; Psalm 133; Romans 11: 13 – 32; Gospel Matthew 15: 21 – 28. Hymns: TiS 106: Now thank we all our God; TiS 611: God of grace and God of glory; TiS 129: Amazing Grace, (how sweet the sound); TiS 599: Take my life and let it be.

This Newsletter comes from the parish of St Nicholas Mordialloc

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