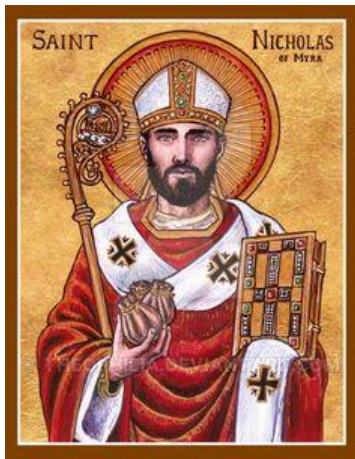




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A weekly newsletter from St Nicholas Anglican Church, Mordialloc

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

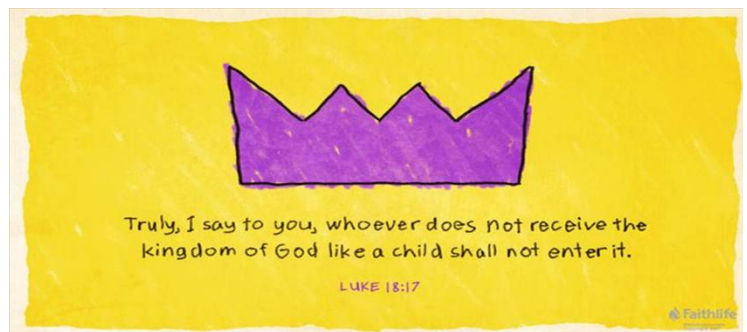
26th October 2025

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD FOR THIS SUNDAY...

Readings: Joel 2.23-32 - Ps 65 - 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18 - Gospel Luke 18.15-30

Our Gospel reading from the Lectionary combines two seemingly unrelated passages, both in their own right very well known. Luke 18:15-17 "Jesus blesses little children" and Luke 18: 18-30 "The rich young ruler". The problem with passages from scripture that are so well known is that we can miss the power they have to change our perception of how we think things should be in our world.

Jesus blessing the children is a case in point. Even the disciples are having trouble realising that literally everybody has access to the Kingdom, even those on the margins of society. They do wrong then, when like 'minders' they shew away people who bring along their infants for Jesus to touch. It is to "such as these" that the Kingdom of God belongs.



Jesus makes a further point: whoever does not receive the Kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it. The point is that a child has no capacity to earn or pay for what it needs. A child receives everything as pure gift, it has nothing to give in response, except affection and love. Such is the case with the Kingdom. God's unmerited, an earnable gift, calls simply for a response of grateful love. Jesus' welcome of the children and they being receptive to him is the perfect welcome extend it to all in the hospitality of God. *Blessings, Fr Ron.*



THIS SUNDAY AFTERNOON - 4-6PM

Theme: "Compassion: being kind to people"

Activities.... School Building with Street Child, Making Kindness Cards - sharing kind words, Creating a Prayer Tree.

We will also continue making the squares for our Messy Church banner. The Celebration will be about helping us to think about God's heart, and call to us. Dinner: Pizza on Pita with various toppings. Dessert of Fresh Fruit.



ST NICHOLAS CHURCH ANNUAL PARISH MEETING SUN 23rd NOVEMBER 2025

As is our custom, the Annual Meeting will commence in the church and will begin as soon as possible following the last hymn. The Acting Vicar: Fr Roger Wood will chair the meeting.

IT IS TIME FOR ANNUAL REPORTS!!

Reports are needing to be written and emailed to av@stnicholasmordi.org.au, soon as possible, so the booklet can be printed and compiled. Friday 9th November is the deadline.

As previously, booklets will be emailed out to everyone, with some printed copies available for those who want them.

MOTHER'S UNION AUSTRALIA – THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 19th October 2025 – “The New Creation”

“Therefore if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone the new is here!”
(2 Corinthians 5:17)

Jesus preached the coming kingdom of God. In his death, resurrection and ascension the kingdom arrived. It is not here in its fullness yet, as sin and evil still exist and even we who are new creations in him are not free from sin. But we can see the power of the new creation at work in the way in which Christians care for those around them, not least the most lowly. That is why prison ministry is so important, and we should pray and be interested in it. No-one is more vulnerable than those in gaol. It is one of the features of Mothers Union that we have a ministry to the sick and suffering. This reflects the character of the Lord Jesus himself and the work of his Spirit in our hearts.

Question for Thought... How do I love my neighbour as myself?

Gracious God, we pray for our sisters in Glasgow and Galloway in Scotland as they offer support to prisoners and their families and to families affected by domestic abuse and human trafficking. May they have opportunities to share your love and care in the name of Jesus. Amen.

READINGS & HYMNS FOR THIS SUNDAY AND THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY

26th October
20th Sunday
after Pentecost

(RECORDED)

Joel 2.23-32 - Ps 65
2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18
Luke 18.15-30

- 1) TIS 398: Come down, O Love divine (long Intro)
- 2) TIS 549 God be in my head
- 3) TIS 555: Put all your trust in God
- 4) TIS 526: Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us (long Intro)

2nd November
Feast of All
Saints

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18
Ps 149 - Ephesians 1.11-23
Gospel, Luke 6.20-31

- 1) TIS 455 For all the saints (vv 1,3,6,7,8 – long intro)
- 2) TIS 204: Come let us join our cheerful songs
- 3) TIS 443 Come, dearest Lord, descend and dwell
- 4) TIS 456: Your hand, O God, has guided

Weekly Use of St Nicholas' Narthex & Church.....

Groups meet at St Nicholas in the following order:

Monday: Peaceful Living Yoga, 6.00pm - 7.15pm & 7.30 - 8.30pm

Tuesday: Peaceful Living Yoga, 10.00am - 11.15am

Thursday: Peaceful Living Yoga 10.30 – 11.15am
Body Harmony Moves – Tai Chi 6.30-8.30pm
Parkinson's Support Group 1 - 3pm

(2nd Thursday of the month)

Saturday: Peaceful Living Yoga 'Restorative' class 10.00am – 12.00 noon

(Dates for 2025: Oct 25th, Nov 22nd)

(Please Note: Yoga sessions use silence as part of their exercise. To assist this, please do not access any part of the church or narthex areas while yoga sessions are taking place.)

REMEMBRANCE
DAY

SUNDAY 9th NOVEMBER 2025

LITURGY OF COMMEMORATION
FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

Want to contribute to the ongoing
ministry and mission of
St Nicholas, Mordialloc?
Try our new QR Code. We thank
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NOTICE OF STATUTORY PARISH ANNUAL MEETING

Parish of Saint Nicholas Anglican Church, Mordialloc

Sunday 23rd November 2025

Immediately following Church Service; 10.30am

Nominations of Candidates for the offices of:

- **Churchwardens (2 positions to fill),**
- **Members of Parish Council (up to 2 to fill),**
- **Incumbency Committee (up to 2 to fill)**

Completed nomination forms to be given to Acting Vicar: Roger Wood
Vicar's appointments will be announced at the meeting.

A G E N D A

The business of the annual meeting is to include after prayers —

- (a) The minutes of the previous annual meeting and of any subsequent statutory parish meeting;
- (b) The reception of the parish electoral roll;
- (c) The annual report by the vicar that includes the entries in the registers of the Parish for the financial year, including numbers of baptisms, persons received into communicant membership, confirmations, marriages, funerals, Sunday services, acts of communion and such other statistics from the registers as Archbishop in Council determines;
- (d) An annual report on the proceedings of the parish council and together with a report by the parish council on the pastoral care, evangelism, social and ecumenical programmes of the parish and on future plans for the parish; (e) A report by the churchwardens on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the worship centre and the vicarage and other buildings of the parish;
- (f) The audited or independently examined accounts and financial statements of the parish and any accompanying papers required by the Act;
- (g) The budget approved by the parish council for the year in which the meeting is held;
- (h) Reports by other parish groups;
- (i) The election of churchwardens and members of the parish council;
- (j) The election of an auditor or independent examiner;
- (k) The election of lay representatives to the parish incumbency committee;
- (l) Any other matters of parochial or general church interest.