



# CROSS KEYS

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St Peter's  
 Mission Statement - 2022  
 "God's Kingdom requires  
 us to make Disciples"  
 with the GOAL being  
 "Outreach"



## Road to Resurrection

Ray Hartley

Travelling with Jesus along his Road to Resurrection enables us to ground the events in real time and real places. Our faith is founded not on ideas or values, let alone fairy stories, but on events in history. We take up the story in the Old City of Jerusalem where the Via Dolorosa (the Way of Sorrows) recalls the way of Jesus. Over the centuries the Via Dolorosa has changed its route until, except towards the later stages of the route, it is more faith than history — but it recalls the events.

The Via Dolorosa, the way Jesus trod to the crucifixion, today is much changed from when Jesus walked that way. But then and now have this in common: that the way is mostly through narrow crowded streets filled with shops, sometimes covered over like an arcade. Today as the pilgrim jostles through the crowd you seem to be alone and ignored (unless you look like you might buy something). There is no dull religious hush — there is vibrant, teeming life all around. There are several quiet retreats, chapels and oratories, along the way — but mostly it's, literally, life in the market place.

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### Live Streaming of St Peter's Services

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*"Carpets of Semana  
 Santa" Antigua  
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## Calendar

**Sunday 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion**

**Sunday 9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist**

**Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion**

**Sunday 9.30 a.m. Sunday School**

**Meditation - Saturday 10.00 a.m.**

Everyone is welcome. Contact Ranjit

Wijesinha for more information

0403 654 549.

**Vasey House - Wednesday 11.00a.m.**

St Peter's conducts a Church Service at Vasey House.

Contact Sylvia 0425 971 179

**Choir Practice - Thursday 7.30 p.m.** In the Church (wearing masks is mandatory).

Contact Ken Foggie - Choir Master

0409 933 166

**Life Groups - Wednesday 8.00 p.m.**

Via Zoom. Please contact Shirley Nash

0403 601 713 for details

**Messy Church - 4.00p.m. to 6.00p.m.**

4th Sunday of the month

Messy Church is Christ-centred and welcoming to everyone - singles, adults, and families, not just children, focused on fun with craft, activities, stories and a meal to share together. Everyone from the community is welcome.

**YoYoFa Youth and Young Families**

Alternate months

Contact Reena 0426 894 321 for details

**Conversation, Craft and Coffee** - 2nd Friday of each month 2p.m. Meeting Room

**Tamil Service** Every 3rd Sunday at 4p.m.

**ST PETER'S DAY LUNCH  
WITH A GUEST SPEAKER**

Sunday 26th June.

\$25 per head, BYO drinks.

**HIGH TEA & EVENSONG**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September – 3pm \$20 per head



Sing along, dance and be entertained by the multi talented Brendan Scott



## EASTER :

**Palm Sunday** 10th April  
8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Sung Eucharist

**Maundy Thursday** 14th April  
7.00pm Foot Washing and Eucharist

**Good Friday** 15th April  
9.00am Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament  
Following the service Hot Cross Buns in the hall  
11.00am combined Stations of the Cross at St. Damians

**Holy Saturday** 16th April  
No Services

**Holy Sunday** 17th April  
Lighting of the fire at 9.00am followed by Easter Day Service, including renewal of Baptismal Vows followed by a **Barbeque Lunch**  
\$15 per head  
BYO Drinks  
Celebrate under the Olive Trees

*He is not here,  
He has risen,  
just as he said!"*

*Matthew 28:6*

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 Road to Resurrection (Continued from Page 1)

It was much like that for Jesus — without the places of quiet retreat. People going off to execution were a common sight in Roman-ruled Jerusalem and most of the bustling crowd would hardly have noticed as Jesus, scourged and exhausted, struggled under the load of the cross towards Calvary.

These pictures show what part of the Via Dolorosa looks like today. When I go to Jerusalem I usually stay at St George's College, an Anglican institution for study and pilgrimage. It is in East Jerusalem, a five-minute walk to Herod's Gate leading into the Old City near the start of the Via Dolorosa. It gives the opportunity to take the walk early in the morning before the crowds of tourists and pilgrims arrive. The pictures without crowds were taken in the early morning. In the crowded picture most of those present were local Palestinian out to do some shopping.



The place of crucifixion, where Jesus was headed, and the tomb where he was laid are now within the Church of the Holy Sepulchre (tomb). This stops us seeing what the place was like. It was not a green hill or pasture. It was a quarry, probably by then disused, which had become a rubbish dump. The tomb was within a jutting piece of rock i.e. in the quarry because the stone was too flawed to bother quarrying.

The church has been built above and around the site of crucifixion (Calvary) and the tomb, and includes a number of chapels and areas cared for by different Christian traditions. Calvary is a rocky outcrop and a set of stairs, just inside the main entrance to the church, leads to chapels built above it. The last five stations (stopping places) of the Via Dolorosa are within the church.



The first chapel up the stairs (i.e. above Calvary) is tended by the Franciscans and marks the place where Jesus was nailed to the cross.



Beside it is the Greek Orthodox chapel on the place of crucifixion. (On this occasion I got there early enough that a priest was cleaning before the crowds arrived.) Walking this way devotionally means recalling what happened to Jesus as he walked this way. Below the floor here is Calvary and there is a hole beneath the small altar large enough to plunge your arm in. It is said to be where the cross of Jesus stood. Do not worry too much about the history (Was this the actual site?). Just join with countless pilgrims over the centuries and say, "Here Jesus died. Here Jesus died for me."

You go down some other stairs. Jesus no longer walked this way — he was carried. Next is the Stone of Anointing where Jesus was prepared for burial. The whole building, and the various parts within it, have been destroyed and rebuilt many times over the centuries and the chances that the body of Jesus was actually laid on this stone are very small. But here pilgrims have knelt and kissed the stone as they mourn the death of Jesus.

The tomb itself is now enclosed within the Edicule, a stone structure, likewise destroyed and rebuilt many times. Various Christian groups have the privilege of placing a candle outside the structure. Each tries to provide the biggest and best.



As I hesitated on the brink, I remember a deep sorrow overwhelmed me. Here the lifeless body of Jesus was laid. But then, sense returned. The tomb was also, of course, the place of resurrection! Here was new life. The road that Jesus trod was the Road to Resurrection. The church that is called by Western Christians the Church of the Holy Sepulchre is known, far more appropriately, by the Orthodox as the **Church of the Resurrection**.

Inside, you cannot miss that the tomb is not a shrine to the dead Jesus. It marks the place of resurrection.

**“He is not here. He is risen!”**

Above the tomb in the centre of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre/Resurrection is a dome surmounted by a cross (pictured at the head of this article). This marks the point which was the culmination of Jesus' journey along the Road to Resurrection.



**Christ is risen. He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**



Many visitors to St Paul's, Melbourne, visit to see the Reredos which includes an intricate mosaic depicting the Last Super. Photo by Timothy Bell

## Easter in Guatemala

The entire city of Antigua, Guatemala, take part in celebrating and commemorating the Passion, the Crucifix and the Resurrection of Jesus. Leading up to Palm Sunday, the air is filled with the musty smell of flower petals and incense, carrying the heaviness of sorrow. Monday through to Thursday each evening a funeral band plays outside churches and people gather for food and drink. On Good Friday, the morning processions leave from La Merced, a 17th Century church and ruined monastery, formally called Iglesia y Convento de Nuestra Señora de la Merced. Water Lilies, a symbol of power to ancient Mayans, adorn the entrance porch of the church and the huge 80 feet wide fountain. Men, dressed in traditional Maya costume, in purple robes and hoods, carry floats (Andas) with large life sized sculptures of Jesus, religious statues and icons. They carry the Andas on their shoulders. The men move, in tune with the somber beat of the marching band, over the carpets. Music and swinging incense burners accompany the cofradia. The floats can weigh up to several ton and require 50 to 100 people to bear the weight. During the afternoon of Good Friday, the residents as well as the city is dressed in black. Black crepe paper is strung through the town on the buildings and trees and thousands of mourners



Le Merced



clothed in black burn incense and carry lanterns. The enactment of the crucifixion leaves from Escuela de Cristo and take place in the green Parque Central. A person bearing the crucifix, engraved with Jesus' last words, leads the procession. The residents pray quietly, while some more emotional followers weep and perform penitence. The thickness of incense in the air along with statues of a crucified Jesus creates a haunting atmosphere. The image of Christ is laid to rest in the church at 11p.m. Holy Saturday's funeral processions are dedicated to images of the Virgin Mary. These floats are relatively smaller and carried by women dressed in their best clothes. Easter Sunday is a jubilant festival celebrating the Resurrection of Christ, and fireworks create a more joyful mood throughout the city.

One of the most visually impressive aspects of the Easter Holy Week Festival, are the "Carpets of Semana Santa" that adorn the cobblestone street's processional route. Residents along the streets begin preparations weeks, some even months, in advance creating these beautifully intricate offerings. The carpet designs reflect Maya tradition, biblical symbolism and scenes from nature. The art of carpet-making is thought of as sacrificial because of the intense detail and amount of time dedicated to their creation, only to be destroyed once the processions pass. Sand is first laid to level the cobblestone streets, followed by sawdust that has been collected and dyed to bright shades of red, yellow, blue, purple, green and black. Pine needles, flowers and native plants are also used for decoration and fragrance. The residents believe, this is a way for them to give something of themselves, in memory of Christ's death. If there is more than one procession on a particular route, residents will make a new carpet for each following procession. The Guinness World Record for the longest sawdust and floral carpet was set in 2014 in Guatemala City, the capital of Guatemala. Over a mile long at 6,600 feet, it was over 2,000 feet longer than the previous record holder. It took 5,000 volunteers and over 50 tons of dyed sawdust to produce it. Over a million people, visit Antigua, to witness the celebration and the commemoration of the Passion, the Crucifix and the Resurrection of Jesus.



An Andas carried by many men



Purple-clad cucuruchos spread incense along the procession route



## *St Peter's welcome Rev. Dr. Andrew Bunting as our Locum Vicar.*

I grew up in Eaglemont where I attended Ivanhoe Primary School. Then came a number of moves which meant I attended five secondary schools. After failing Matriculation at Glen Waverley High School in 1965, I worked as a book salesman. Returning to education, I completed Matriculation in 1967 before enrolling in Commerce at The University of Melbourne.

It was at the University of Melbourne where I met Alison in the Choral Society and we married in 1970. We then moved to Sydney where I worked for a Chartered Accountancy firm for four years before relocating to London, where we stayed for another four years during which time our first son was born. In London, I worked for a large paint company and then taught at a polytechnic college. As Alison was also a teacher, we enjoyed long summer holidays in Europe.



Returning to Melbourne, I worked in the accountancy field before joining a firm of architects as their administration director. I stayed there for twenty five years before retiring in 2010. We lived in Malvern where our first son was joined by a brother and sister.

After retirement at the age of sixty-four, I undertook theological study at Trinity College and was ordained an Anglican Priest at the age of sixty-seven which makes me a young priest in an old body! I served as a Curate in the parish of Sorrento and Rye for two years before transferring to Balnarring/Flinders as an Associate Priest. I now help out as a locum when priests in other parishes need holidays or they are in between appointments.

We now live at Shoreham where for many years we were campers at the Shoreham Foreshore Reserve. My eldest son currently lives in our house in Malvern, however, we retain 'sleeping rights' whenever we need them. I enjoy the garden, grandchildren, going to the movies and reading. I also enjoy my work in the various parishes I am appointed.

## **Who is Who in the Pew?**

Born in the Sacred Heart Hospital, Moreland in 1944, the youngest by 9 years of 2 children. Living in Coburg just near the Lincoln Mills, I attended Merlynston Primary School spending ½ a year in the 'bubs' and ½ a year in Grade 1, staying until 3<sup>rd</sup> Term in Grade 5. The family then moved to Deepdene where I completed my Primary School education before moving on to Box Hill High School for the next 5 years. Being only 15, too young for University and not knowing what I wanted to do, family networks kicked in and it was suggested that I sit for a Public Service examination one Saturday morning in the Land Titles Office. At the end of the examination, Departmental representatives standing outside the exam room made their pitch for where you might like to work. For some reason I agreed to join the





Land Titles Office as a trainee survey draughtsman, starting on my 16<sup>th</sup> birthday in 1960. Almost 39 years later I retired from the same organization as a senior manager from an office where I was greeted by the Surveyor and Chief Draughtsman on my very first day. During those 39 years I did spend 2 years on secondment in what was then the Territory of Papua New Guinea, also in their Land Tiles Office. After retirement I was given the opportunity to return as a contractor working on the conversion of the paper-based Land Title records to digital records. I spent the next 5 years assisting with this project which whilst rewarding saw the demise of a very old system of handling paper-based records in a very old purpose-built building. That's progress and for my part I apologise to anyone who has recently tried to do their own conveyancing to find that it is now online and almost impossible to do by yourself. During my youth I was a member of the YMCA, trained and functioned as a youth leader during normal youth club activities, school holiday programs and Christmas holiday camps. I also played and coached basketball for the YMCA at a reasonable level and are now suffering the consequences with dodgy knees. A basketball mate and I happened to go to the Circle Ballroom in Preston one night and during a fleeting encounter in the barn dance I met my wife, Mavis and it was truly love at first sight. We married in the Presbyterian Church in Joffre Street, Regent in December 1966. During our 53 years of very happy marriage, we shared many experiences including our time in PNG, moving into a spec built home in Bundoora in 1970 (as a stop gap measure) and of course the birth of our son Gavin in 1971. Gavin is married and they have a daughter. Whilst working in PNG I continued my involvement with the YMCA and Mavis as a teacher, took over the Junior Red Cross group of students at her new school. Mavis's Red Cross involvement grew over the years including establishing Junior Red Cross groups in a number of Melbourne Primary Schools, being a leader/ sponsor of a number of Junior Red Cross members whilst attending a Youth Congress in Japan, being appointed in a voluntary capacity as the Director of the Red Cross Youth Department for which she was awarded a Meritorious Service Award and was also a key member of the Greensborough Red Cross Branch supporting the local community in so many ways. Some of this Red Cross involvement rubbed off on me when especially in my retirement I began volunteering in the Migration Support Program meeting and assisting vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers to settle into new accommodation with furniture and other household goods. During my time with Red Cross, I also received training in Psychological First Aid which has been used during and following natural disasters since 2009, including Black Saturday bushfires, 2011 Queensland Floods and 2019 Summer bushfires. My most recent involvement, after a long pandemic induced break, was the Australia Unites Floods Telethon. I was drawn to St Peter's through Mavis's wish to have the Rev Barry Green preside at her funeral at St Peter's in December 2019 and my subsequent attendance at Wednesday services with Jan and Barry Green. What a remarkable spiritual journey I've been on in the last 2 years, and I will be forever grateful to the people of St Peter's for being so welcoming. I also pay tribute to Wendy Crouch and Jan and Barry Green for their support and guidance on my path to becoming an Anglican and a warden. During my Christian journey I was christened and became a Methodist, became a member of a Congregational Church, a Presbyterian Church, the United Church of Papua New Guinea, and a Uniting Church. I now feel I am where I was meant to be.





## Candlemas: The Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

On Sunday 30th January, Rev. Wendy Crouch celebrated the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple or Candlemas. Parishioners were invited to bring their own personal candles from home and along with the ones used in the church, they were blessed for the coming year so that when they are lit we will remember and be blessed by the Inner Light of Christ.



### Against the dark our Saviour's face is bright

“Though the 12 days of Christmas ended with Twelfth Night and Epiphany, there is another sense in which this season, in which we reflect on the great mystery of God in Christ as an infant, continues until February 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. This feast, which we along with many churches will be keeping this coming Sunday, came to be called by the shorter and more beautiful name of Candlemas because the day it celebrates, recorded in Luke 2:22-40, is the day the old man Simeon took the baby in his arms and recognised him as 'A Light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel.' It became the custom of the church to light a central candle and bring it to the altar to represent the Christ-light, and also on the occasion of this feast to bless all the 'lights' or candles in the church, praying that all who saw that outward and visible light would remember also and be blessed by the inner light of Christ 'who lightens everyone who comes into the world.'”

It had always been prophesied that God would one day come into the Temple that human beings had built for him, though Solomon, who built the first temple had said 'even the Heavens are too small to hold you much less this temple I have built'. Candlemas is the day we realise that eternity can come into time and touch us in the form of a tiny child, that God appears at last in His Temple, not as a transcendent overlord, but as a vulnerable pilgrim, coming in His Love to walk the road of life alongside us.” Malcolm Guite (United Kingdom Priest/Poet.

### Incumbency Committee Report:

During a recent visit by Bishop Kate, the Incumbency Committee and Wardens were invited to meet with her, as she updated us on the appointment we were hoping she would announce. However, it was not what we expected. Our preferred choice, is apparently being delayed by some unforeseen difficulties. As there is uncertainty about the timing of their resolution, it was suggested that a list of alternatives might be prepared. Put simply, we will start the process again and keep our current choice on the list in the hope that circumstances change. This will mean a delay in an ongoing appointment, but will provide additional time for the team working in the vicarage to complete their project.

Once more information is available it will be communicated.

Gayle Simpson, John Collins and Jeff Cripps



## Sumanth Kumar Kommu

It was Wendy's last Sunday with us and we were pleased to have Bishop Kate join us. Some were expecting an announcement about the appointment of our new vicar, but that was not the case. Something more important was occurring. Sumanth, known as Sam, a regular at St Peter's, on his way home from work, especially on Wednesdays, had made the decision to be confirmed. It made a special day for all.

Sam had commenced his life journey on his parents farm. They recognised the value of education and decided to send Sam off to the city to be with his grandmother, where he would be able to receive an education, which would open up a number of future possibilities. His Grandmother a regular church goer took Sam with her and encouraged his interest. Coming to Australia, attending church was to become part of his life. He has been welcomed at St Peter's and has made it his spiritual home.

Congratulations Sam and the very best of wishes for the future.





## Baptism of Grace Jeanette Phillips.

On Sunday 27th February, the parishioners of St Peter's welcomed Grace Jeanette Phillips and her parents Mitchell and Danielle, and her Godparents, Lauren and Liam Simmonds as well as her extended family and friends to witness her Baptism. The Sacrament of Baptism, presided over by Rev. Margaret Hartley, involves making promises before God about the way one chooses to live, stating their belief in God. Lauren and Liam, as Godparents, made these promises on behalf of Grace. Then Grace was ritually washed by water that has been blessed, and had the sign of the cross made on her forehead. The Parishioners of St Peter's were very pleased to welcome Grace Jeanette Phillips as a member of the Body of Christ.



An interesting comment was made by Revd. Ray Hartley at the end of the service when he said, that, "while many things are unique about Grace, this thing, I have never heard of before, she has brought her Great Grandmother to play the organ".

## St Peter's Trivia Night ....

lots of questions, lots of chatter, lots of laughs . . .



Guess what?! The Trivia night was a great success. While raising \$800 was impressive on its own, it was the atmosphere, the number of competitors and the fun created, that made it such an enjoyable night. While some questions provided a challenge, the different approach, with trying to sequence photos proved to be a winner. (Especially on my table)

In fact we had such a good time, we didn't even play our joker, which would have doubled our score for one round.



Noni and her team of helpers are to be congratulated on their organization and provision of prizes. No one went home empty handed. It was a night on which I believe everyone went home feeling like a winner, even though they might have been like my team at the bottom end of the ladder.



### Trivia Quiz

1. How many people have served as Prime Minister since 1901 when the office was created?
2. Who was the youngest person to be PM?
3. Who was the shortest serving PM?
4. Who was the longest serving PM?
5. How many PMs are currently living?
6. Why did Australia's first PM resign?
7. Which PMs died in office?
8. Which PMs served 2 nonconsecutive terms in office?

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### Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day

This year's Shrove Tuesday, Pancake dinner, was very much like others. The pancakes were there, the Bolognese sauce and tuna mornay had been prepared, berry fruits, icecream and maple syrup were available much to the pleasure of those in attendance. What was different this year, was that instead of focusing on all you can eat, I slowed down and was able to better appreciate what was available and what I actually ate.

The conversation around the table and the very friendly company completed a most enjoyable meal. Once again, Noni and her helpers are to be congratulated.

Between the Saturday night Trivia and the Pancake delights Noni was please to report \$1000 had been raised.



## A Mother's Prayer.

I gave you life, but cannot live it for you.  
 I can teach you things, but I cannot make you learn.  
 I can give you directions, but I cannot always be there to lead you.  
 I can allow you freedom, but I cannot account for it.  
 I can take you to church, but I cannot make you believe.  
 I can teach you right from wrong, but I cannot always decide for you,  
 I can buy you beautiful clothes, but I cannot make you beautiful inside.  
 I can offer you advice, but I cannot accept it for you.  
 I can give you love, but I cannot force it upon you.  
 I can teach you to share, but I cannot make you unselfish.  
 I can teach you respect, but I cannot force you to show honour.  
 I can advise you about friends, but cannot choose them for you.  
 I can tell you the facts of life, but I cannot build your reputation.  
 I can warn you about drugs, but I cannot prevent you from using them.  
 I can tell you about lofty goals, but I cannot achieve them for you.  
 I can teach you about kindness, but I cannot force you to be gracious.  
 I can warn you about sins, but I cannot make you moral.  
 I can love you, I can teach you, I can advise you, I can warn you, I can pray for you, but how you live your life is determined by you. Choose wisely.

## Vicarage Update.

There is light at the end of the tunnel thanks to the ongoing efforts of our team.  
 It is expected that by the time you have received this edition of the Cross Keys, the kitchen will be finished.  
 New benches, new cupboards and an updated sink will be in place.  
 The bedrooms are complete and the lounge is waiting on blinds.  
 The area currently gaining attention is the bathroom, laundry and shower room.  
 Unfortunately, asbestos has been detected in some of the floor coverings.  
 While we have arranged for these to be removed, it means that progress is temporarily halted.  
 It is expected that in the next week or two, the floor coverings will be removed and the area prepared for the laying of new vinyl.  
 A new vanity, toilet, bath and shower installation are planned for the bathroom.  
 It has been a long process, but thanks to the Project Manager and her team of helpers it is coming together and looking great.

## *Happy Mothers' Day to all Mothers.*



### A Christian Mother

Helen C. Shambaugh

A Christian mother is so special  
 Nothing on earth equals her love,  
 For it is placed in her gentle heart,  
 By the heavenly Father above.

She will teach her children  
 To walk with faith and sight,  
 Gleaned from the holy Word of God,  
 Teaching them, all that is right.

Thank God for Christian mothers  
 Who instill in children the best  
 For when children follow this  
 guidance,  
 God will take care of the rest.

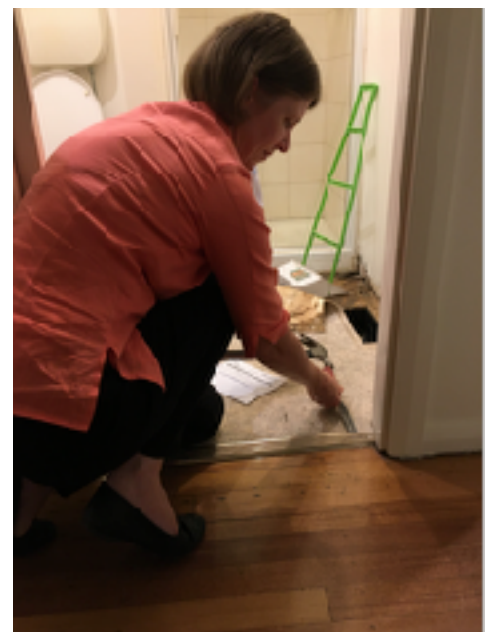


Nicole  
 The Vicarage  
 Project Manager





A very sincere  
"thank you"  
to Nicole's son,  
Matt, for  
his work with  
the plumbing.



## ANZAC Day - Least we forget



The GrainCorp Silos at Devenish in North East Victoria were painted by Melbourne Street Artist Cam Scale and are officially the 19th Silos to be included in the Australian Silo Art Trail.

Stage one which comprises of the two tall silos was officially unveiled on Anzac Day in 2018. Marked as a tribute to help celebrate the 100-year centenary of the end of the First World War.

The stage one artwork depicts a stunning image of a WW1 nurse and a modern female military medic in the Australian Armed Forces. This mural also depicts the changing role of women in the military and society in general.

Stage two on the short silos were officially unveiled one year later on Anzac Day 2019. This mural is a tribute to the Australian Light Horse.

The Australian Light Horse were mounted troops with characteristics of both cavalry and mounted infantry, who served in the Second Boer War and WW 1.

Fifty young men and women from the Devenish Community enlisted in the military services in WW1. At the time, that was one in six residents from this very tiny town. Cam Scale also wanted to honour the seven Devenish diggers that never made it home.

Location: 33 Main St, Devenish, Victoria

Artist: Cam Scale

Written by Annette Green

Photographed by Annette Green

The ANZACs of the Great War of 1914 - 1918 are now long gone - now part of our nation's memory. Our veterans of the Second World War are fast fading away, but even so there are still a few who will endeavour to attend an ANZAC Day service. These proud men and women will draw themselves as upright as they can and 'stand to attention' with fists closed tightly, thumbs to the front, whilst they remember friends close to them and others who have given their lives for our freedom. On ANZAC Day 2022 let us keep in mind, one such young man - Teddy Sheean as an example, of such sacrifice.

Edward "Teddy" Sheean was born on 28 December 1923 at Lower Barrington, Tasmania, the fourteenth child of James Sheean, a labourer, and his wife Mary Jane. In Hobart on 21 April 1941, he enlisted in the Royal Australian Naval Reserve as an



Ordinary Seaman, following in the steps of five of his brothers who had joined the armed forces (four of them were in the Army and one in the Navy). On completing his initial training, he was sent to the Flinders Naval Depot, Westernport, Victoria, for further instruction. 'Teddy' was an 18 year old ordinary seaman serving on HMAS Armidale, when during the mid afternoon of December 1st, 1942, the Armidale was hit by two aircraft-launched torpedoes and began to sink fast. Sheean, sustained two bullet wounds and rather than abandon ship, he scrambled back to strap himself to one of the anti-aircraft guns and began to engage attacking aircrafts. He shot down two planes as he was dragged under the water, firing until the end. Only 49 of the 149 men who had been on board survived the sinking and the ensuing days in life rafts - but those 49 believed they owed their lives to that 18 year old boy from Lower Barrington, Tasmania.

**Lest We Forget**



## We Shall Keep the Faith

by Moina Michael, November 1918

Oh! you who sleep in Flanders Fields,  
Sleep sweet - to rise anew!  
We caught the torch you threw  
And holding high, we keep the Faith  
With All who died.

We cherish, too, the poppy red  
That grows on fields where valour led;  
It seems to signal to the skies  
That blood of heroes never dies,  
But lends a lustre to the red  
Of the flower that blooms above the  
dead  
In Flanders Fields.

And now the Torch and Poppy Red  
We wear in honour of our dead.  
Fear not that ye have died for naught;  
We'll teach the lesson that ye wrought  
In Flanders Fields.



Melbourne



A sincere St Peter's 'Thank you' is extended to Rev. Dr. Wendy Crouch for undertaking the role of Locum at St Peter's for the past 6 months. The parishioners wish Wendy all the very best as she is commissioned into her position as Assistant Priest at St John's Toorak. Wendy will oversee the pastoral care program at St John's.

## The child whispered:

The little child whispered, "God speak to me".  
And a bird sang.  
But the child did not hear. So the child yelled, "God speak to me!"  
And the thunder rolled across the sky.  
But the child did not listen.  
The child looked around and said, "God, let me see you."  
And a star shone brightly, but the child did not notice.  
And the child shouted, "God show me a miracle!" And a life was born.  
But the child did not know.  
So the child cried out in despair, "Touch me God, and let me know You are here!"  
Whereupon, God reached down and touched the child.  
But the child brushed the butterfly away and walked away unknowingly.  
Take time to listen. Often the things we seek are right underneath our noses. Don't miss out on your blessings because it isn't packaged the way you expect.

## Marvellously mature:

You know you are getting 'marvellously mature' when:

1. You and your teeth don't sleep together.
2. Your back goes out but you stay home.
3. You wake up looking like your driver's licence picture.
4. Your idea of a night out is sitting on the patio.
5. Your idea of weight lifting is standing up.
6. Your address book has mostly names that start with Dr.
7. The pharmacist has become your new best friend.
8. It takes twice as long to look half as good.
9. Your actions creak louder than words.
10. You are warned to slow down by your doctor rather than a policeman.



The parishioners of St Peter's greatly appreciated and thank Rev. Ray Hartley and Rev. Margaret Hartley for so cheerfully stepping in as Locum Vicars as needed over the past months.

## Bishopscourt 1873 to 1876. (continued)

When Charles La Trobe arrived in Victoria there was no official Governor's residence, so he erected the small prefabricated cottage he had brought with him on the land he purchased at Jolimont. During the early days after Bishop Perry's arrival, Governor La Trobe invited him to stay in one of his cottages on his Jolimont estate. When La Trobe left Victoria, in 1854, he sold his Jolimont residence and the government of the day took a lease out on Toorak House for the incoming Governor, Sir Charles Hotham. Although considered too small and inconvenient for a permanent Government House, Toorak House was leased by the government as a short term solution. Despite its inadequacies, Toorak House ended up serving as the Governor's residence for the next 20 years. However, in 1874, Lease negotiations to enable the Governor to continue to reside at Toorak House, while the new Government House was being completed, broke down. Therefore, a temporary residence needed to be found for Governor Bowen.



Toorak House

The Perrys left Melbourne on 26th February, 1874, to return to England, initially to secure the creation of the diocese of Ballarat, and then to seek his replacement, but this process took over a year and Bishop Perry decided to stay in England until his successor was appointed. Not wanting to leave Bishopscourt empty, the diocese secured the tenancy for the Governor of Victoria. As Bishop Perry and Mrs Perry knew they would not be returning to Melbourne they offered their household goods, much of which was brought with them from England, for sale. An auction held by Gemmell, Tuckett and Co. included a Grand Cottage Piano, Chiffonier with marble top and mirrored panels, embroidered muslin curtains, Axminster rugs, jardinières, horse hair mattresses, feather beds, bed steps, scrap press for linen, a spaniel watch dog and kennel, fowls, two horses and a handsome brougham and travelling carriage. The terms were strictly cash only with no reserve set. It has become a continuing tradition in the Diocese that the residents of Bishopscourt provided their own furniture.



Bed steps

### Bishopscourt home to Governors of Victoria between 1874 and 1876.

Before Bishopscourt could be occupied by the Governor, it was necessary to establish a legal provision to entitle the State to sign the lease. By this time the State Aid to Religion Abolition Act 1871 had been passed by the Victorian Government. The Act abolished State Aid to religious denominations, the practice of reserving Crown land for church purposes, and the ownership of Bishopscourt was transferred to Trustees. With these things in place it was now considered most appropriate that Governor Bowen occupy Bishopscourt during Bishop Perry's absence. The diocesan authorities were delighted with the Governor's tenancy as it strengthened the connection between Church and the State as it was considered it will be of great benefit to society to have the Queen's representative residing amongst the people. In preparation for the arrival of the Governor, the Public Works Department authorised works totalling over £1,666 to be undertaken at Bishopscourt. The residence was repainted and wall papered and a sentry's box installed next to the portico. Additional stables were constructed at a cost of £365/14/6 and £90 of new planting in the garden. Also a small oblong extension to the north campanile to give staff access to the 1st floor without the necessity of using the single staircase, and the entrance to the property was moved from Hotham St to the corner of Gipps and Clarendon Streets.

### Sir Charles Henry Manners-Sutton (3rd Viscount Canterbury).

The first Governor to stay at Bishopscourt, was the fifth Governor Sir Charles Henry Manners-Sutton, and his family who stayed for their final two weeks in Victoria. Sir Charles had a strong connection to the Church of England as his grandfather had been the Bishop of Norwich and later Archbishop of Canterbury.



### Sir George Bowen (March 1874 - Dec 1874)

The next Governor to occupy Bishopscourt was Sir George Bowen and then the interim Administrator Sir William Stawell, during Governor Bowen's absence in England. Bishopscourt's central location was ideal for the Governor, but it didn't provide enough accommodation for his extensive staff, so some staff were billeted in rooms in the neighbourhood. The limited size of the reception rooms at Bishopscourt was also an issue. Lady Bowen overcame the lack of space by having small weekly parties known as "small and earlies" for 30 - 40 guests whom were able to be accommodated in the drawing room. However, a more pressing problem confronted the Governor whilst living at Bishopscourt, was the lack of separation between the public and the private spaces - the need for grandeur and the desire for intimacy. This is still an issue for the present day occupants. Lady Bowen took her children on an extended trip to Europe and later Lord Bowen took a years Long Service leave to join them. Before he left Sir Bowen secured a lease on Bishopscourt for the year Jan 1875 to Dec 1875, and when he left he placed the administration of Victoria, in the hands of Sir William Stawell. Again the diocese was pleased with the strong bond between the church and Judiciary. Stawell was appointed Chief Justice following Sir William a Becket's resignation (a previous tenant of Bishopscourt). Stawell has been described as the most influential figure in defining the system of responsible government in Colonial Victoria. He is credited as the primary architect of the Victorian Constitution as well as the Constitution of the Church of England in Victoria. Stawell became a leading churchman after a dramatic lifestyle change from 'dissolute amusement' to a devout Christian following a sermon given by Bishop Perry in 1848. In March, 1873 the Stawell's travelled to England to place their sons in school, when Sir William was recalled by Governor Bowen, to become Acting Governor, he returned by himself and fully involved himself in the duties of Administrator. During this time the Victorian Parliament was new and volatile resulting in 18 changes of government between 1855 and 1877. Consequently it was a far from a stable administration and Stawell refused two requests from different premiers for the dissolution of Parliament. He must have been relieved when in January 1876 Bowen returned to Melbourne and resumed residency at Bishopscourt. Lady Bowen and her daughter returned to Melbourne on the 24th June 1876, when they all moved into the new palatial Government House. Once the Governor departed Bishopscourt several repairs were undertaken. The diocese purchased items the Bowens had left behind with £185/15/0 as well as baths and additional stair balustrades.



Sir George Bowen



Government House - 1880



Evelyn Pitfield Shirley Sturt

As Bishop Moorehouse was not expected to arrive for 6 months after Governor Bowen left the diocesan unwilling to leave Bishopscourt vacant placed an add in the Argus for a short term tenancy. A suitable tenant from within the Anglican Church, Evelyn Pitfield Shirley Sturt was in need of accommodation and was welcomed as tenant. Sturt was the youngest brother of Charles Sturt who was well known through his explorations of the Australian Continent. Sturt was appointed Superintendent of the Melbourne Police and Chief Police Magistrate, he was also a member of the Church of England Assembly. His wife Mary raised funds to build St Mary's North Melbourne, making them suitable tenants at Bishopscourt. With the impending arrival of Bishop James and Mrs Mary Moorhouse the Sturts were required to evacuate Bishopscourt.

(To be continued)

Enjoy the little things in life for one day you will look back and realise they were the big things



La chasse de Pâques (egg hunt)



#### Quiz Answers:

1. 30 (29 men and 1 woman)
2. John Watson
3. Francis Forde
4. Sir Robert Menzies
5. 7 : Paul Keating, John Howard, Kevin Rudd, Julia Gillard, Tony Abbott, Malcolm Turnbull, and Scott Morrison
6. Resigned to become one of the inaugural justices of the High Court of Australia
7. Joseph Lyons, John Curtain and Harold Holt (presumed dead)
8. Sir Robert Menzies and Kevin Rudd

## NEEDED URGENTLY!

Anglicare is in need of non perishable food. Items such as Chunky Soups, 2 Minute Noodles, small tins of Tuna, tinned Vegetables, Muesli Bars, Baked Beans and Spaghetti, Oat sachets and Long Life Milk. New Underwear and new Socks for males, females and children, also toiletries would be appreciated. Please bring your donations to the Church.



## Easter In France

One of the main French Easter traditions is the Easter bells or Les cloches de Pâques. On Maundy Thursday, the church bells across France are silenced to mourn the death of Christ and they remain silent until Easter Sunday. According to legend, the bells would fly to Rome to be blessed by the Pope. They would then begin their journey back to the French churches, but would pick up eggs along the way before scattering them into the gardens. The bells would then ring on Easter Sunday to announce the Resurrection of Christ and therefore "return". So in France it is the bells, rather than the Easter bunny, delivering the Easter eggs.

## Happy 90th Birthday Thelma

Thelma celebrated her 90th birthday surrounded by family and friends, last weekend. We all join in wishing her well for the special occasion and look forward to her company and her smile for many years to come.



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