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### CHURCH NEWS

#### Floods

During the month of January the eastern states have experienced torrential rain and floods. Our friends in Brisbane and Toowoomba have been especially afflicted. Our prayers are with them as they rebuild following these floods. The parish has kept in close contact with the Regionary, who lives in Brisbane, and we have offered assistance to our friends there.

#### A Baby Boy!

Katharine Shade, Fr Fred and Libby's daughter, has presented them with her second child, Alexander. Both are very well, and the Shade family is having a wonderful time with their new grandchild.

#### Parishioners near and far

Regular contact has been made with Joan Wilkinson and Zillah Wooster, both of whom have difficulty in getting to church these days. Joan has had a spell in hospital in January....

We ask you to keep both of them in your prayers.

#### Visiting Preacher

On Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> January, we had the pleasure of a visit from a friend of the parish, Rev. Philip Kissick and his wife Ruth. Fr Philip delivered the sermon on the Baptism of Our Lord and gave us new insights into the readings for that day. He is a long-standing friend of the Vicar and has preached at St. John's on other occasions.

### Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Parish

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the parish of St. John The Beloved will take place immediately following the celebration of the Holy Eucharist on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at 11.30 am. (There will be no sermon.)

Nomination Forms for positions on the Vestry can be collected from the table in the Social Room or by contacting the Parish Secretary. Nominations for Vestry must be lodged with the Parish Secretary by no later than 8<sup>th</sup> May. All members and friends are welcome to attend the meeting.

Libby Shade  
Secretary

### Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Trust

Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of the LCC (Vic.) Holding, commonly known as the Trust, to be held at the conclusion of the parish AGM on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at 12.00 pm. Nomination Forms for positions on the Holding Company as Directors may be obtained from the table in the Social Room or from the Company Secretary. Nominations for the Holding Company must be lodged with the company Secretary by no later than 8<sup>th</sup> May. All members of the parish are welcome to attend the meeting. Please note that there will be a short meeting of the Holding Executive immediately prior to the parish A.G.M.

Russell Cole  
Secretary

### EASTER SERVICES

Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Good Friday Prime & Veneration of the Cross at 10.30 am.
Saturday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Holy Saturday Service of Prime at 10.30 am.
Sunday, 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Day (Feast of the Resurrection) Holy Eucharist at 10.30 am

## LENTEN TALKS

Theme: The Search for Truth

- Talk 1            Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> March at 12.00 noon  
Topic:            Ecclesiastes as used in the Requiem Eucharist.  
Reflections on its Meaning.
- Talk 2            Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> March at 12.00 noon  
Topic:            Adam and Eve and the Garden of Eden.  
The Hidden Meaning of this Story.
- Talk 3:            Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 12.00 noon  
Topic:            The Parliament of the World's Religions.  
The Search for Truth, Peace and Justice.

The talks will be presented by the Vicar.

### Quotable Quote

"Let us therefore bear in mind that our language about the Trinity and our talk of the attributes, while indeed it points to the immensely rich diversity-in-unity of God, fall far short of the reality. Our symbols reflect the fragmentary sequential thinking of our finite intelligences and should never distract us from the unity of God in whom all this is gathered up."  
John Macquarrie, Principles of Christian Theology

## OFFICERS OF THE PARISH

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

### March

- Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup>            Quinquagesima  
Intent: The Holy Spirit as the fire of Love
- Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup>            First Sunday of Lent (formerly Quadragesima)  
Intent: Self-examination
- Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup>            Second Sunday of Lent  
Intent: Control of Speech
- Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup>            Third Sunday of Lent  
Intent: Understanding

### April

- Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup>            Fourth Sunday of Lent  
(Laetare or Refreshment Sunday)  
Intent: Spiritual Refreshment
- Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup>            Passion Sunday (Lent V)  
Intent: Humility
- Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup>            Sunday next before Easter (Palm Sunday)
- Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup>            Good Friday
- Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup>            Holy Saturday
- Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup>            Easter Day (Feast of the Resurrection)  
(Now designated as the First Sunday of Easter)

### May

- Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup>            Second Sunday of Easter (Low Sunday)  
(originally 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Easter)
- Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup>            Third Sunday of Easter  
(originally 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter)
- Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup>            Fourth Sunday of Easter  
(originally 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter)
- Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup>            Fifth Sunday of Easter  
(originally 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter)
- Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup>            Sixth Sunday of Easter  
(originally 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter)

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated every Sunday at 10.30 am.  
All are welcome. The Church is directly opposite the Gardiner  
Railway station in Glen Iris.