

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALTONA/LAVERTON



St Eanswythe's Altona  
St Clement's Altona Meadows  
O Te Wairua Tapu Ki Poipiripi



*To proclaim God's love and life in Christ:  
growing in faith ✠ serving others ✠ nurturing a common life*

## 30 August 2026

### Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Year A)

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

10.30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

1:00pm Te Hākari Tapu (Māori Service), St Eanswythe's

5.00pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

*Wominjeka :: Welcome :: Haere mai*



A warm welcome to our  
worship today,  
especially if you are  
with us for the first time  
or visiting.

Please join us for  
refreshments following  
the service.

*Our parish lies on the country of the Kulin nation.  
We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over countless generations,  
and we pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.  
We commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, justice and healing.*

# Gathering in God's Name

*We meet in God's name, as God's people – children of God in all our rich diversity, with all that we carry from the complexity of our lives.*

*We turn to God in praise and prayer; this includes recalling all that has separated us from God, and claiming the love and forgiveness that is always held out to us.*

## INTROIT HYMN

595 O Jesus I have promised....

*(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)*

## THE COLLECT *(prayer of the day)*

O God,  
whose Son has shown the way of the cross to be the way of life:  
transform and renew our minds  
that we may not be conformed to this world  
but may offer ourselves wholly to you as a living sacrifice  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## PARISH PRAYER

**God of this ancient land, holy beyond time and place,  
you search us out and name us your beloved children.  
Work in us to fulfil your longing and compassion for every person.  
Send your Spirit to renew our life,  
and give us courage to rise and follow where Jesus calls. Amen.**

## FIRST READING

A reading from Exodus (3.1-15)

<sup>1</sup> Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup> There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup> Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' <sup>4</sup> When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' <sup>5</sup> Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' <sup>6</sup> He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. <sup>7</sup> Then the Lord said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup> and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk

and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup> The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup> So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.’ <sup>11</sup> But Moses said to God, ‘Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?’ <sup>12</sup> He said, ‘I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.’ <sup>13</sup> But Moses said to God, ‘If I come to the Israelites and say to them, “The God of your ancestors has sent me to you”, and they ask me, “What is his name?” what shall I say to them?’ <sup>14</sup> God said to Moses, ‘I am who I am.’ He said further, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “I am has sent me to you.”’ <sup>15</sup> God also said to Moses, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you”:

This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM (105.1-6,23-26)

<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name: tell among the peoples what things he has done.

<sup>2</sup> **Sing to him, O sing praises: and be telling of all his marvellous works.**

<sup>3</sup> Exult in his holy name: and let those that seek the Lord be joyful in heart.

<sup>4</sup> **Seek the Lord and his strength: O seek his face continually.**

<sup>5</sup> Call to mind what wonders he has done: his marvellous acts, and the judgements of his mouth,

<sup>6</sup> **O seed of Abraham his servant: O children of Jacob his chosen one.**

<sup>23</sup> Then Israel came into Egypt: and Jacob dwelt in the land of Ham.

<sup>24</sup> **There the Lord made his people fruitful: too numerous for their enemies,**

<sup>25</sup> Whose hearts he turned to hate his people: and to deal deceitfully with his servants.

<sup>26</sup> **Then he sent Moses his servant: And Aaron whom he had chosen.**

SECOND READING

A reading from Romans (12.9-21)

<sup>9</sup> Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup> love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour.

<sup>11</sup> Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. <sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

<sup>19</sup> Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’ <sup>20</sup> No, ‘if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.’ <sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN      625 I need you Lord for I have seen

*(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)*

THE GOSPEL

Alleluia. **Alleluia.**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. **Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*(16.21-28)*

<sup>21</sup> From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup> And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, ‘God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.’ <sup>23</sup> But he turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.’ <sup>24</sup> Then Jesus told his disciples, ‘If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup> For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup> For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? <sup>27</sup> ‘For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.’

For the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

# Celebrating at the Lord's Table

*Our sharing is a gift of grace, a communion with Jesus and with each other. There is a place here for each and every person.*

OFFERTORY HYMN    599 Take my life and let it be  
*(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)*

*Everyone is invited to receive communion or receive a blessing.  
Children who have been baptised are welcome to receive communion.  
If you would prefer not to receive communion but to receive a  
personal blessing, please indicate this when the minister comes to you*



AS COMMUNION IS RECEIVED, WE SING:

**Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten;  
those who seek God shall never go wanting.  
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten;  
God alone fills us.**

## Going into the World

*The Eucharist offers us a way to be renewed, transformed, and blessed: now we take that blessing to share with others, in our words and actions, our hearts and lives.*

***'The Eucharist never ends – it must be lived.'***

RECESSIONAL HYMN    658 I the Lord of the sea and sky  
*(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**



**Giving:** Deposits can be made to the parish Bendigo Bank account at any time (BSB 633 000, account number 157 594 722, account name "St Eanswythe's Altona with St Clement's Laverton Anglican Churches"). For pledge giving please include your name or envelope/reference number. For further details see [anglicanaltlav.org.au/giving](http://anglicanaltlav.org.au/giving)

## Notices

**Planned Giving Programme Update:** Thank you to the many of you who completed a new pledge response card for the forthcoming financial year commencing October. Your generosity will help our parish meet its ministry and mission priorities. If you have yet to receive or complete your pledge card, please contact Anita McAnda on 0438 260 374 or [amcanda@hotmail.com](mailto:amcanda@hotmail.com).

**Rev'd Johnwerni Farewell Gift:** Sunday 30 August, will be Rev'd Johnwerni's final day in the parish and we will be farewelling him and his family at our services. If you wish to contribute to his farewell gift this may be done online through CommBank: St Eanswythe's General BSB: 063 101 Account Number: 1023 6122. Or passed directly to Rev'd Kerry. If you are able, please bring a plate to share with tea and coffee following the services on Sunday.

**Rev'd Johnwerni's Commissioning:** Parishioners are invited to attend the Commissioning of Revd. Johnwerni Maryoe as Vicar of St Stephen's Anglican Church, 42 Regent St, Belmont, on Tuesday 1 September at 7.00pm, followed by supper in the parish hall. If you plan to attend, please advise Rev'd Kerry on 0425 163 063 so he can advise St Stephen's of expected numbers.

**2027 Anglican Calendar & Lectionary Orders:** Orders are now open for the 2027 Anglican Calendar (\$17.00 per copy) and the Lectionary (\$17.00 per copy). Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church, or contact Edita in the parish office on 03 9398 1005 or [parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au](mailto:parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au).

**Name Tags:** As we often have visitors and new people attending our services, it would be helpful if we all wore our name tags. This makes it easier for others, especially those who are new or still getting to know our community, to remember names and feel more at home among us.

**Fix & Fellowship:** Help keep our churches neat and welcoming by joining our cleaning and maintenance mornings. St Eanswythe's on 5 & 12 September at 9.30am and St Clement's on 3 October & 7 November at 9.30am

**St Eanswythe's 100th Anniversary Celebration:** The centenary committee continues to meet regularly, and invitations have been sent to former clergy, parishioners, dignitaries, our bishops, and local community leaders. A large attendance is expected for the celebration service and lunch on Sunday 13 September at 10.30am at St Eanswythe's. Please note this date.

**Board Game Evenings:** An evening of board and card games for all ages is held at St Clement's on Fridays. All are welcome. Further details are on the notice board.

**Volunteers Needed – Lawn Mowing & Cleaning:** We need helpers for lawn mowing and cleaning at our churches. If you can assist — even occasionally — please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

## Our Prayers

### For our Nation and the World:

- For communities in Tibet and Nepal, including visitors and travellers, devastated by recent mudslides.
- We give thanks for Rev'd Johnwerni's ministry and pray God's blessing on him and his family as he begins at St Stephen's, Belmont.
- Those who struggle with technology may find the confidence and support needed to stay connected.

### The Church:

#### *World Council of Churches:*

Cape Verde, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Senegal .

For Christians facing persecution and martyrdom, and for those who pray and grieve for them.

#### *Anglican Communion:*

The Church in the Province of the West Indies; Archbishop Philip Wright

#### *Anglican Church of Australia:*

Church Army; Mission to Seafarers; Anglican Overseas Aid Agency

### *Diocese of Melbourne:*

The Cathedral Chapter: Dean Andreas Loewe and all who serve at the Cathedral.

### Agencies supported by our parish:

Anglican Overseas Aid – for work with partners and communities in Vanuatu, India and Kenya .

### Our parish & community:

For God's guidance, love and care of our people.

We pray for our clergy and all who serve and volunteer in our parish.

### Those with particular needs:

Rosemary Henshall.

### The communion of saints

#### *Anniversaries this week:*

Carmela Said (31st)  
Victor Nicholas (2nd)  
Roy Durbridge (4th)



*To add a name to the pew sheet prayer list or to remember someone on the anniversary of their death, please contact the parish office.*

## Readings for this Week

*Take time to prepare for worship by exploring the readings for this week.*

### **Wednesday 2 September : 9:00am St Clement's**

1 Corinthians 3.1-9; Ps 33.13-21; Luke 4.38-44

### **Thursday 3 September: 10:00am St Eanswythe's**

**Gregory of Rome, bishop and teacher (d.604)**

1 Corinthians 3.18-23; Ps 24.1-6; Luke 5.1-11

### **Sunday 6 September: Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

Exodus 12.1-14; Ps 149; Romans 13.1-10; Matthew 18.10-20

### **Morning Prayer:**

Tuesday and Friday, 9:00am, at St Eanswythe's. Everyone is welcome.



## *Groups Meeting Regularly in the Parish*

### **Sunday School:**

Sundays at 10:30am at St Eanswythe's (except December school holidays).

### **Tiddlers Playgroup:**

Tuesdays in term time 10:00am at St Eanswythe's. Contact Jan Lee (9398 2993).

### **Clementines Playgroup:**

Fridays in term time, 9:15am at St Clement's.

Contact Sandra Hansen (0410 040 661) or Lily Griffin (0413 065 705).

### **Mothers Union:**

Monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Thursday at 11:00am. Contact Sandra Hansen (0410 040 661).

### **Caritas:**

Monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Tuesday at 3:00pm. Contact Susan Maddox (0439 167 377).

### **St Eanswythe's Centenary Working Group:**

Monthly at St Eanswythe's, 4th Thursday at 11:00am. Contact Lily Griffin (0413 065 705).

## *This Week in our Parish*

### **Sunday 30 August:**

#### **Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

1:00pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

5:00pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

### **Tuesday - Friday**

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop Open

### **Tuesday 1 September:**

9:00am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

10:00am Tiddlers Playgroup,

St Eanswythe's\*

7:00pm Online Bible Study, via Zoom

### **Wednesday 2 September:**

9:00am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

### **Thursday 3 September:**

10:00am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

### **Friday 4 September:**

9:00am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

9:15am Clementines Playgroup,  
St Clement's\*

### **Sunday 6 September:**

#### **Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

1:00pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

5:00pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

*\*During school terms*

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