

## Parish Prayers

Pray for **the Barbara May Foundation**, one of our major mission partners. Some key prayer points are available at <https://youtu.be/poWFNEAqHFU>

Please pray for **Leanne Palmer** in her new role as **Scripture Union Vic** director—for the challenges for camps and programs under lockdown, for summer camps team recruitment and development, for transition to National movement.

Please pray for our **Playgroup** team and the many families involved during this difficult period of disconnect in lockdown. Give thanks for the work of the team to stay connected via calls and newsletters.

Pray for our mission partners at **Ridley College**, particularly for God's calling upon people to take the step of faith towards education and preparation for various ministries in churches and the wider community. Pray for Principal Brian Rosner and the faculty and lecturers that they will be encourage in their own faith and devotion to Jesus as they encourage the faith of students. Pray too for The Rev'd Hannah Craven as she prepares to return to Melbourne in 2022 to take up a position on faculty and to lecture in Christian Thought.

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# St Michael's News

## OCTOBER 2021



### These bulletins are monthly during lockdown

Sunday church services will be broadcast live online via our YouTube channel and Facebook page at 10am and 5.30pm on Sundays. These can be easily accessed via our website at [www.stmichaelsnc.org.au](http://www.stmichaelsnc.org.au). Livestreamed services can also be watched after the event on YouTube and Facebook. During Lockdown there is no public access to the church site. Please check our website and social for regular updates. Our current vision/action theme and plans are titled "Connect"



### Ridley College Sunday October 24



Our long-time partnership in mission with Ridley College in Parkville is the focus on 24 October. Principal Brian Rosner will provide a recorded sermon for the day based on Malachi 3:14-18 and titled: Known by God: Comfort in Distress. You can watch an information video regarding Ridley's current ministries [HERE](#). Brian has also written an article on the topic for ABC Religion & Ethics which you can read [HERE](#).



## General News

### POP-UP ZOOM EVENTS

**Keep watching** our social media announcements and our weekly members' emails for information about regular pop-up meetings of a great variety during lockdown.

### ASRC

We include the Asylum Seekers Resource Centre among our mission partners and contribute financially and practically to their important work. The ASRC is open during lockdowns and you can travel more than 15km to visit them (214-218 Nicholson Street). Please call [03 9326 6066](tel:0393266066) to make an appointment before you arrive (visiting hours 10am – 5pm, Monday to Friday). Check out [www.asrc.org.au](http://www.asrc.org.au) for more info about operating services. You can also donate goods from anywhere in Oz via [@YourGrocerAu](https://www.instagram.com/yourgrocerau) online.

### NEW AFGHANISTAN LEGAL CLINIC NOW OPEN

Call [\(03\) 9252 2534](tel:0392522534) between 9am-5pm Monday to Friday or email us on [afghanistantriage@asrc.org.au](mailto:afghanistantriage@asrc.org.au) to seek information or assistance. Check the ASRC website for more.



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## Parish Administration News

### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

PC meets for its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday 12 October 7.30pm via Zoom. The agenda includes: preparations for the parish annual meeting to be held in November, arrangements for returning to in-person attendance at church services, plans for Christmas services and events, and more.

### ANNUAL MEETING 2021

The 2021 parish meeting will be held on **Tuesday 23 November** at 7.30pm via Zoom. At the upcoming annual meeting, as happens each year, a new PC will be elected. People eligible to take up one of the 9 elected parish council positions vacant or 2 churchwarden's positions vacant are those over the age of 18 who regularly participate in the worshipping life of this church community. We encourage all church members to consider prayerfully whether they should be nominated for the coming election to this important representative role. Nomination forms for those willing to serve on parish council as a member or churchwarden will be available on our website home page ahead of the meeting and must be submitted to the vicar before Sunday 14 November. At the same meeting, two parochial nominators must be elected so that if in the event of an incumbency committee being called by the bishop they would join with one of the church wardens and representatives of the diocese to choose a new vicar for the parish. The nomination forms mentioned above include an option to be named for this role at the election.

### PARISH FINANCES

The church's financial year runs from 1 October—30 September each year. We are soon to publish and report our financial statements for 2020-2021 and to present them at the annual meeting. During 2020 the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne as a whole (due to its incorporated status) applied to the Federal Government and qualified to apply "Jobkeeper" payments to the staff of parishes and other entities. These payments assisted our parish finances by offsetting a portion of employment expenses during part of 2020. The churchwardens will include in their financial report details of Jobkeeper support received along with statements for income and expenditure for the financial year now ended and a budget forecast.