

Wodonga Lutheran Parish

St John's Lutheran Church
Victory Lutheran College



Committed to Sharing Jesus

LIFE
IS NOTHING BUT A
JOURNEY
AND YOU MUST
TRAVEL
LIGHT.
: HIS IOLINESS YOUNUS ALGOHAR

**8th Sunday
after
Pentecost**

**31st July
2022**

WELCOME TO MEMBERS, FRIENDS & VISITORS.

We pray that you feel at home as you worship our Lord Jesus with us today.

Our Lord's love and peace be with you.

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SERMON TEXT: Luke 12:13-21

THEME: Travel Lightly!

READINGS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Hosea 11:1-11 God's love for his rebellious people

Colossians 3:1-11+ The old life and the new life

Luke 12:13-21 The parable of the rich fool

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday	Luke 12:13-21	Thursday	Luke 12:22-31
Monday	Ecclesiastes 2:24-26;3:9-15	Friday	1 Timothy 3:1-13
Tuesday	Ecclesiastes 5:10-20	Saturday	Psalm 33:12-22
Wednesday	Isaiah 5:8-17		

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In our prayers this week:

- ***We pray for the following who are in need at this time:***
Shirley BULLOCK (ESTIA); Kevin DRAPER; Roger FARRELL, Les & Ruth FRAUENFELDER (home); Gregory JENNINGS; Phyllis HEINER [Yackandandah Health Aged Care]; Robert & Elke HASLAM; Ross & Laurel McRAE [LAC Albury / Yallaroo]; Elizabeth JACOB (home in Corowa) heart disease, awaiting specialist treatment in June/July.
- ***Please pray for the five young people continuing Confirmation lessons*** - , Hannah Dewhirst, April Lade, Aidan Lockerbie, Sophia Kotzur & Maddison Wiencke, and their leaders Rhonda Keller & Jenny Simboras.
- ***Victory Lutheran College*** – Lord our youngest students are a blessing to us! On Tuesday they complete 100 days of school. To the team of staff and students we know we are blessed with them as a team beyond measure and we praise you for that.
- ***Dimboola Natimuk Parish, Congregations of Dimboola, Edenhope, Goroke, Natimuk and Vectis*** – Pastor Levi Graham.
- ***Doncaster – Ivanhoe Congregation, Partnership with Outer Eastern Lutheran Church*** – Lay preacher Ed Blow.

LCA INTERNATIONAL MISSION – PRAYER REQUESTS

- Those involved in and attending the Australian Conference on Lutheran Education (ACLE), including Rev Dedi Bakkit Tua Pardosi- the Director of National Committee Lutheran World Federation in Indonesia (KN-LWF)

'Lord, renew your church, begin with me!'

Parish Updates – July 2022

"Parish Office Has Moved

The Wodonga Lutheran Parish office has moved to Victory Lutheran College as of Monday 25th July. The address of the Parish Office is 28 Drage Road, West Wodonga 3690, the phone number remains the same.

When visiting the office - As you enter the College grounds, immediately turn right and proceed down to the end of the staff car park. The College have allocated car parks for the Parish in front of the new Parish office.

There are some **safety issues we must adhere too**. The staff car park in front of the Parish office cannot be accessed between the times of 8.30am - 9.00am and 3.10pm - 3.25pm as there is a high pedestrian and cyclist activity in this car park. If you need to visit the Parish office during these times, please park in the car park in front of the College Administration and walk down to the Parish office.

So that the College can maintain its Duty of Care/Child Safe requirements **Parish members will need to sign in and out at the Parish office.** "

'PARISH MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 31ST JULY HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL LATER IN THE YEAR'

RETIREMENT

After 41 years of full time ministry, including 7 parishes, and 588 services conducted in 18 years of semi-retirement, and with the good news of Pastor Joshua Muller being installed as our Pastor next Sunday, Pastor Graham announces his full retirement today, 31st July 2022.

He will continue monthly services at Park Hall Village. He thanks God for the many blessings he has received over the years, and also thanks Helen for her constant love and support. May God continue to bless members and friends at St John's and staff and students at Victory College.

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR JOSHUA MULLER

Installation Service 7th August at 2pm in Luther Hall, Victory Lutheran College.

After almost three years of waiting, our prayers have been answered, and it is with thanksgiving to God that He has moved Pastor Joshua to accept our Call. Please invite your friends and family to join us in giving thanks and praise on this wonderful occasion.

There will be an **afternoon tea** for members and guests (and we are expecting many guests) after the service. Your assistance in this area is needed by providing something for afternoon tea, either sweet or savoury. There will be no hot food served. Also help will be needed on the day with the serving of food and drinks. Let Carolyn Kiss know if you can help in any of these areas. (0438 324 477)

Flowers are needed for the Installation service. If you have flowers or greenery in your garden which would be suitable for large vases, please phone me on 0407 495 773. I am trying to keep the cost of flowers to a minimum.

On **Saturday 6th August at 10am** Luther Hall will be **set up** for the Installation service, if you can spare some time in the morning that would be appreciated, or if you are available to **pack up** the hall after the service on Sunday that too would be appreciated.

This service is the only worship service in the Parish on the 7th August.

VLC VOICE OF VICTORY" NEWSLETTER

<https://www.vlc.vic.edu.au/news-and-events/newsletters>

DISTRICT eVOICES VICTORIAN / TASMANIAN DISTRICT

<https://lutheranchurchofaustralia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/t/E03004115D6FFF682540EF23F30FEDED/5068D6C3513CC68E2018F019E6F15D33?alternativeLink=false>

Report Redevelopment

Wodonga Lutheran Parish

Communique 14

- I have spoken to LEVNT to check if there were more impediments to speak off with the Subdivision or the land ownership from the LCAVD. I am advised there is none to their knowledge. I have passed this to the Alatalo's for information.
- Unfortunately the Alatalo's are still waiting for confirmation on a couple of matters, which is holding up lodging the application for a permit to commence construction. It is disappointing that things seem to be dragging, I think we understand about the shortage of supply in the industry and that people are working hard with back logs to contend with. We are advised that we are close to making that submission to Council.
- As to Havelock Street some work on the financial aspects of this job are under way with the view that towards the end of the year things will get underway. Dates are to be determined as to when the tenants need to move out, we need to give them a minimum of two months' notice to move. Things may also change over the next few months to dates beyond the end of the year.
- We are still to sit down with the college and have discussions about any of the outstanding issues like traffic management, MOU's, transfer of land to the Parish, connection to underground infrastructure, access from Derwent Way during construction, security of the site is very important as well. Having discussed some of these issues with Glenn Wright there does not seem to be any matter of an urgent nature to be resolved. The office at Havelock Street will be moved to Victory College over the next two weeks and will be accommodated in the old primary school reception area. This will be until the new church is built on site.
- St Marks at Yack will be auctioned on the 30th of July and is in the hands of PJ Murphy as the real estate agent, thanks to the work of John D and Kerrie the church has been cleaned out ready for photo's etc for the marketing process, this auction is very much an unknown one, nothing in the town like this has come on to the market, early indications are there is an amount of interest from folk around Yackandandah. Time will tell as there are some limitations to what the site could be used for, these issues could affect the sale process.

T F McInnes,
Building Committee Chairman
19/07/2022



Growing FAITH at home

31st July 2022

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST –

PROPER 13

Crumbling Idols

Caring Conversations



SHARE

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

What is your most treasured possession? Why?

2

Jesus warned people about wanting to have more and more things. He said that life is not made up of how much a person has (Luke 12:15). What does faith in Jesus give us that money can't buy?



Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 12:13-21	Parable of the rich fool
M	Colossians 3: 1-11	Living the new life
T	Ecclesiastes 5:10-20	Worldly riches are meaningless
W	Isaiah 5:8-17	The greedy are doomed
T	Luke 12:22-31	Trust God, not material things
F	1 Timothy 6:8-11,17-19	Love of money
S	Psalms 107: 1-9	For he satisfies
S	Luke 12:32-40	Seek treasures in heaven



TALK

Talk about the Bible verse. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Lord Jesus, help us to focus on the things of heaven, not the things of earth. Amen.



BLESS

May Jesus help you to know and follow his ways.

Sundays after Pentecost

GREEN is a sign of life and nature and as such represents growth, life and hope.

Creative Response

setting aside a portion of your income for church giving reminds us that God is the giver of all we have and puts him ahead of our spending on other things.

Talk together about how you determine your financial giving to the church and why it is important to give in this way.

If household members (including children of all ages) do not give regularly, decide on a practice that may help them to do so. Eg. set aside money on Saturday night for the Sunday morning offering.



mealtime prayer

Give us grace, O God, to be ever-thankful for your goodness, and ever-willing to help others in need. Amen.

verse for the week

Beware! Guard against every kind of greed.

Life is not measured by how much you own.

LUKE 12:15

Service



Being "rich towards God" (Luke 12:21) means growing in generosity towards those who are in need.

Decide together on a food item or recreational activity (e.g. rental of DVDs or movie outing) to forgo this week.

Set aside the money saved to donate to a charity organisation.



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THIS WEEK:

Sunday 31 July 9:30am HC Service (**GZ**)
 Tuesday 2 Aug 11am-3pm Church Office **OPEN**
 Wednesday 3 Aug 9am-1pm Church Office **OPEN**
 9:45am Women's Fellowship
 Thursday 4 Aug 11am-3pm Church Office **OPEN**
 Sunday 7 Aug 2:00pm At Victory College for Installation
 Service of Pastor Joshua Muller
 (**Assist Bishop MP**)

LAST WEEK: 24 th July 2022			
Congregation	Attendance	Communion	Notes:
St John's	30	30	
Total Attendance:	30	30	

NEXT WEEK: NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST READINGS

Sun 2:00pm VLC HC Service (**AB MP**)
 Installation of Pastor Joshua Muller
 Isaiah 1:1, 10-12 OR
 Genesis 15:1-6
 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
 Luke 12:32-40

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND AT VICTORY COLLEGE – 7th August

Communion/Altar 7th Aug Maria Davison/Ingrid Harder/Andy Enever
Readers 7th Aug TBA
PowerPoint 7th Aug Jason Zweck
Usher 7th Aug Phill Edwards ++
Money Counter 7th Aug Paul Vogelsang
Church Cleaning 1st Aug – 7th Aug Lenore de Garis
Mowers 25th July – 7th August Peter Lade & Adrian Gutsche

BUT, IS IT WRONG
 TO HAVE STUFF
 AND WANT MORE? WELL...



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SOME HAVE SAID THAT IF
 YOU WANT TO LOVE JESUS
 MORE, YOU SHOULD GIVE AWAY
 MORE OF YOUR MONEY.*



* MARK ALLEN POWELL, "LOVING JESUS"

I THINK I LOVE
 JESUS QUITE ENOUGH
 THANK YOU!



LUKE 12:15-21

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