

FOR ALL CONGREGATIONS

Essendon Choral Society PSA

A Pleasant Sunday Afternoon, will take place on **Sunday, 22 June**, 2.30pm at the Portarlington Church Hall, cost \$12.

We warmly invite all members of the Linked Congregations to mark this date in their diaries and join us as we enjoy a wonderful afternoon of quality choral music.

Geelong Community Orchestra – 2014 Concert Series

Concert one: 'The Lost Hunter', today, Sunday 18 May at 3.00pm.

Concert two: 'Celebrating Geelong's Young Talent, Sunday, 24 August

Concert three: with guest conductor David Gallaher – music of Beethoven, Brahms and others, Sunday, 9 November

All concerts at McAuley Hall, Costa Centre for the Performing Arts, Sacred Heart College, Aphrasia Street entrance at 3.00 pm. \$15 Adult, \$10 Concession & U12.

Further details on noticeboard at Drysdale Church, call 0439 188 980 or www.geelongcommunityorchestra.com

Rosters for 25 May

Portarlington

Managers: Jan & John Hall
Morning Tea: Keith & Dorothy Knights
Pastoral Care: Barry Ruler
Prayers & Readings: Portarlington Lay Team
PowerPoint: Bruce Bertram

Drysdale

9.00 am
Kitchen: Wayne's team
Counting: Glenda Vuillermin
10.45 am
Duty Elder: Pat Handley
Prayers & Readings: Portarlington Lay Team
Door: Ken Handley
Morning Tea: Wyn Baker and Andrea Lindsay
Flowers: Norma Taylor

St Leonards

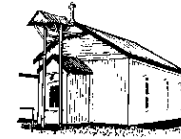
Welcoming: Shirley Hadden
Readings & Prayers: Portarlington Lay Team
Brass & Flowers: Wyn Mariarty, Marie Alexander

Frontier Services

The Reverend John Flynn once famously said that 'without women, there would be no outback'.

The May edition of Frontier News pay homage to this mantra, and then some.

THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA



Easter 5

Sunday, 18 May 2014

We cannot know the actual sounds of resurrection, but we know some of the sounds that followed soon after that event: a stone rolling; women looking at each other and speaking to each other in shock and disbelief; the good news being shared; disciples doubting; Jesus entering a locked room and proclaiming. Through all these sounds, we hear the voice of God. In a world hardened by fear and mistrust, the stories of Stephen and other martyrs throughout history challenge us not to hold back but to proclaim the truth of God: that *all* are loved.

Seasons of the Spirit

LECTIONARY

18 May Easter 5	Acts 7:55-60 1 Peter 2: 2-10	Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 John 14: 1-14
25 May Easter 6	Acts 17: 22-31 1 Peter 3: 13-22	Psalm 66: 8-20 John 14: 15-21

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THIS WEEK IN OUR CONGREGATIONS:

Sunday, 18 May

Portarlington

9.00 am Rev. Marion Latham

Drysdale

9:00 am Worship @ 9, Cafe Church

10:45 am Rev. Marion Latham

St Leonards

5.00 pm Rev. Marion Latham, HC
Loose Change & Food Bank

Monday, 19 May

9.30am Drysdale KYB

Tuesday, 20 May

10.30 am Drysdale Grove Service, HC

Wednesday, 21 May

9.30 am – 12.45 pm mainly music

10.00 am Drysdale Coffee & Chat

Thursday, 22 May

9.00 am Portarlington Choir practice

9.30 am Drysdale Choir practice

Friday, 23 May

9.15 am Drysdale Friday School

10.00 am Portarlington Justice & Letter
Writing Group

Sunday, 25 May

Portarlington

9.00 am Portarlington Lay Team
(Bruce & Marilyn Bertram)

Drysdale

9:00 am Rev. Marion Latham,
Denise's Team assisting

10:45 am Portarlington Lay Team
(Bruce & Marilyn Bertram)

St Leonards

5.00 pm Portarlington Lay Team
(Bruce & Marilyn Bertram)

OUR CONGREGATIONS NEWS

DRYSDALE

Working Bee

A working bee will be held at Drysdale Uniting Church on 24 May, between 8.00 am and 12 noon. Write the date in your diary and please come along and help.

General Cleaning and maintenance and the garden will need attention.

Annual Dinner and Concert CHANGE OF DATE!

Our Annual Winter Fundraising Dinner and Concert will be held on **Saturday, 14 June**, 6.00 pm for 6.15 pm in the Drysdale Church Hall. Cost of the evening is \$15 an adult, \$7 child U12.

A home cooked 3 course meal (gluten free available) will be followed by Community Singing, lead by our Choir. If you have a favourite song, please make your suggestions to Margaret Freemantle now.

All members of the Linked Congregations and friends are invited to come along for a great night out.

Tickets available now from Val LeStrange, phone 52513125.

Missing Vase

Please check your cupboards. Someone took a flower arrangement home from church on Sunday, 30 March (having been invited to). The vase is approx. 24 cms tall and a bulbous shape. It is

handmade pottery in greys and browns and had green oasis inside. It is precious to us. Margaret Freemantle 5253 1974.

U.C.A.F.

The UCAF will be providing artificial flowers to be arranged in a vase for use at Services and Barry Calcutt will attend the meeting on 28 May to help make the arrangement. All welcome.

Film Afternoon – for your diary

Sunday, 17 August, Film Afternoon at Leopold Theatre – “The Butler”.

PORTARLINGTON

Goods for Frontier Services Old Timers Fete

Are you knitting or sewing goods for the Old Timers Fete? We need your items by 25 May. We need knee rugs, beanies, aprons, tea cosies, and anything else that is your craft speciality. Please place your finished goods in the box in the Church Narthex or give to Wendy Quill by 25 May. Contact Wendy for any queries, phone 5259 3556.

Portarlington Fellowship Breakfast

Our June breakfast will be held on Saturday 14 June, at 7.30 am. Guest Speaker will be Ms Amy Kellahan. Recently, after setting out from New Zealand, the Kellahan family-Daniel, Amy and their three children sailed the South Pacific in their catamaran and have since settled, for the time being in Portarlington. Amy will tell her story. Acceptances to Barry on 5259 3304 by Thursday evening 12 June, please.

Thanks – Dinner

A big thank you to everyone who helped make the St Andrew's Asylum Seeker dinner such a success. 75 folk attended, by far our largest crowd yet, with many members of the Bellarine community attending. Thanks to all those involved in the banner, publicity and organising the catering. The donated food was delicious, many hands made light work of the hall set up, piles of washing up and the final pack up afterwards.

Thanks to everyone who assisted in big and small ways-- It really was a great team effort. We raised \$1188, which will be shared between Lentara UnitingCare Asylum Seeker Project and assisting a young asylum seeker in Geelong in particular need.

The **Justice Letter Writing Group** will meet NEXT FRIDAY 23 MAY at 10.00 am. Join us for a cuppa and scone and then down to work. Please bring your own paper and pen or laptop.

ST LEONARDS

St Leonards U.C.A.F. Birthday

You are invited to St Leonards U.C.A.F. Birthday on Monday, 26 May, 2.00pm at St Leonards church hall.

Speaker: Roland from Missionary Aviation Fellowship, who will tell us something of their work with the aid of a Power Point Presentation.

Followed by afternoon tea, donations will be received. Further inquiries to Marj Wilson, phone 5257 1096.