

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA
CHRIST CHURCH  **SOUTH YARRA**
Worship, Ministry & Mission

2009 ANNUAL REPORTS



Admission of six candidates to Holy Communion, 11 October 2009

Annual Meeting of the Parish

Sunday, 15 November 2009, 11.30am

CLERGY

Richard Treloar (Vicar)
Jennifer Nelson (Associate Priest)
Paul Bower (Associate Priest)
Marilyn Hope (Parish Deacon, Hon.)
Stephen Miles (Associate Priest, Hon.)
Dorothy Lee (Associate Deacon, Hon.)

AUTHORISED LAY MINISTERS

Jamie Miller (Hon.)
Deirdre Scott (Hon.)
Peter Sherlock (Hon.)

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Philip Nicholls (Authorised Lay Minister)

PARISH ORGANIST

Siegfried Franke

THEOLOGICAL STUDENT

Thomas Leslie

PARISH VERGER

Gordon Crow (Hon.)

SACRISTAN

Adam Waddell (Hon.)

CHURCHWARDENS

Peter Bennett
Roger Blythman
Peter Mason

VESTRY (2008-2009)

Alistair Barker (Hon. Treasurer)
Sarah Benfield
John Benjamin
Glenn Bermingham
Tania Evans
Brian Hauser
Stephen Hehir
Rosalind Lawrence
Jennifer Took

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Lucy Loiacono

BOOK KEEPER

Robyn Nash

HEADMISTRESS, CCGS

Beryl Gregory

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
Parish of Christ Church of South Yarra

The Annual Meeting of the Parish will be held
at 11.30am on 15/11/2009

Nominations of Candidates for the offices of:

- 2 Churchwardens (who also serve on Vestry)
- 7 Members of Vestry
- 2 Members of the Incumbency Committee

shall be given to the Vicar on or before Sunday 6.00pm on 08/11/2009

After prayers, the order of business shall include:

1. The reading of this notice;
2. The minutes of the previous annual meeting;
3. Reception of the electoral roll of the church (or churches) of the Parish;
4. An annual report by the Incumbent;
5. An annual report on the proceedings of the Vestry and on the financial affairs of the Parish by the Vestry;
6. The audited accounts of the Churchwardens for the year ended 30 September immediately preceding the meeting;
7. A report from the Vestry on the pastoral care, evangelism, community service and educational programmes of the Parish;
8. A report by the Churchwardens on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the church (or churches) of the Parish and the vicarage and other buildings of the Parish;
- (a) A report by the Incumbent on the entries in the registers of the Parish for the financial year, including numbers of baptisms, persons received into communicant membership, confirmations, marriages, funerals, Sunday services, acts of communion and other such statistics from the registers as Archbishop in Council determines;
- (b) A report by the Churchwardens and confirmed by the auditors on the Parish assessment for the current financial year as calculated in accordance with the requirements of the Archbishop in Council;
9. The election and appointment of Churchwardens and members of the Vestry;
10. The election of auditors;
11. The election of 2 lay representatives to the Parish Incumbency Committee;
12. Presentation of list of Lay Assistants at Holy Communion;
13. Any other matters of parochial or general church interest.

By the order of the Vestry

Signed _____

**MINUTES OF CHRIST CHURCH SOUTH YARRA ANNUAL MEETING
HELD IN THE OLD VICARAGE CENTRE, SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2008 AT 11.30AM**

Opening: The Vicar, The Revd Dr Richard Treloar, opened the meeting with prayer and welcomed the members of the Parish present. Apologies were received.

The Vicar noted that the reports were contained in three documents that had been circulated and which he tabled, namely "Contact" which included Part 1 of the annual reports, from the Vicar and Ministry Team; Part 2, the reports of the Churchwardens, Finance, and Music; and the third document comprised the audited accounts for the year ending 30 September 2008.

Notice of Annual Meeting:

This was taken as read and noted.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2007 having been published were taken as read and were adopted.

Reception of Electoral Roll:

The Vicar tabled the Parish's electoral roll.

Report of Incumbent: The Vicar's report published in the Parish journal "Contact" was received.

Vestry Report: The activities of the Vestry during the last year were addressed in the reports of the Churchwardens, Ministry Team, and Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report: The Honorary Treasurer, Alistair Barker, spoke to his report and the audited accounts. These were received. He was thanked for the substantial work undertaken to complete the accounts in time for the Annual Meeting.

Report of the Wardens:

The report was received.

Parish Register: Entries in the Parish Register were published in the issues of "Contact".

Parish Assessment: The Churchwardens informed the meeting that the diocesan assessment had been paid as required.

Elections of Churchwardens and Vestry:

The Vicar reported that no elections for the office of Churchwardens or for Vestry were required as the number of nominations and of the positions vacant were the same. He therefore declared Roger Blythman and Peter Bennett elected as Churchwardens, and that Peter Mason would continue in the office of Vicar's Warden. Members of Vestry duly elected or appointed were: Alistair Barker, Sarah Benfield, John Benjamin, Glenn Bermingham, Tania Evans, Brian Hauser, Stephen Hehir, Rosalind Lawrence, and Jennifer Took.

Auditors: The auditors Laclan Partners (incorporating Smith, Peacock, and Henshaw) were elected as auditors for the current year.

Incumbency Committee:

Michael Buckridge and Stephen Hehir were declared elected.

Presentation of List of Lay Assistants at Holy Communion:

The Vicar tabled the list.

Other Business: Thanks were expressed for the work done by many parishioners on rosters and assisting in the Parish centre and otherwise around the church buildings and gardens.

Closure: There being no other business the Vicar declared the meeting closed at 12.10 pm.

VICAR'S REPORT

Liturgy, Stewardship, and Service

It's a pleasure at this time each year to reflect on so many activities in the Parish over the preceding twelve months. In many ways, as the statistics later in these reports would suggest, October 2008 to September 2009 has been a time of consolidation. Statistics are only of value if we can learn something from them; what might this round reveal to us as a community of faith? We're reminded, among other things, that whilst some 80% of our total acts of communion occur on Sundays, the combined Sunday attendances make up something less than one-third of our total yearly attendance. In fact the mid-week attendance of CCGS staff and children alone is greater than that of our Sunday congregations. Indeed, more than 700 of the 876 public services held at Christ Church over this period were weekday services. How might this picture help us to better understand the nature of the Parish's ministry and mission, not to mention its worship? I hope we can reflect on these questions together in the year ahead.

The stewardship of parishioners continues to be outstanding in every respect. In difficult economic times direct giving through the Planned Giving Program and the open plate has actually gone up, enabling us to extend our current programs and offerings, carry out important maintenance work and site improvement – not least on the gardens – and retain current staffing levels. The people of Christ Church are as generous as you are committed to the Parish’s work, and continue to be ably led by Churchwardens, Vestry and Ministry Team colleagues. Mission giving also held up well in the economic conditions, falling just shy of last year’s total, which was itself a quantum leap from the year before. The Jumble Sale in September which – with the help of members of the School community – raised just on \$5,000, was a great example of how we can come together in service of the wider church and community.

One aspect of our stewardship that looms large at present relates to our Parish School. Beryl Gregory’s gracious report, below, reminds us of the unique partnership we enjoy with Christ Church Grammar School. All 11 children admitted to Holy Communion during CCSY Sunday services this past year are CCGS pupils, and the growth of the Parish’s ministry to families in the wider community generally cannot be understood independently of this historic relationship with the staff, parents, and children of the School.

Beryl refers to the building project enabled by a federal government funding grant – a very creative and forward-looking initiative that will help ensure the School’s long-term future as part of a larger strategic plan, evolving in collaboration with Vestry. The current project is confined to the south-east corner of the site, and will have little impact on the day-to-day operations of the Parish. There will, however, be significant operational hurdles for the School to negotiate as the work – scheduled to begin at the end of fourth term – proceeds, which, in turn, may impact on some of our ‘own’ facilities here at Christ Church, as we seek to ease the logistical burden to CCGS of finding alternate music rehearsal spaces, especially. This is about more than being ‘good neighbours’; it goes directly to our stewardship of one of the Parish’s foundational pastoral, educational, and missional relationships and to the significant governance responsibilities that attend this. As we learn to share this beautiful site in new and even more mutually enriching ways, the next nine months or so will give us a chance to practice this particular form of hospitality, and to plan more strategically for the future of both Parish and School. Thank you in anticipation of your patience and forbearance!

Adult Education

The most important thing to report under this heading, perhaps, is something yet to happen: the introduction of ‘Education for Ministry’ (EfM) at Christ Church from Eastertide 2010. This well-tried and effective small group program of study and theological reflection will be guided by our newest Authorised Lay Minister, Jamie Miller, an experienced EfM mentor, with help from Paul Roxby, who will be trained as a mentor in November. An information session will be held in Lent, and I encourage you to attend that and to consider being part on an EfM group next year.

Parish Website – www.ccsy.org.au

The Parish website, administered superbly by Fr Paul, continues to be an important, efficient, and cost-effective medium for promotion and communication. This year the site has had, on average, over 800 'hits' a day, which has increased significantly since last year. The most downloaded files include wedding information, choir and music, baptism information, sermons, the parish liturgical calendar, *Contact*, and images. In the near future we plan to add an information page on planning funerals at Christ Church, and expanding the photo galleries to include wedding and baptism galleries.

Supervised Theological Field Education (STFE)

We have once again been fortunate to have had the company of an ordination candidate this year in Thomas Leslie, who has gotten to know many of you and played an important part in the life and work of the Ministry Team since February. Thom is to be ordained a Deacon in the Diocese of Wangaratta in February, and we will wish him well for that and for the completion of his Honours thesis when we thank and farewell him on the Feast of Christ the King. Bruce Tonge has chaired Thom's Field Committee, comprising Bruce, Michele de Courcy, Roberta Callaghan, and Michael Buckridge, and we thank them for this important ministry. Others in the Parish are also involved formally in processes of discernment and formation with respect to ordained ministry, and we continue to support and encourage Robbie Bates and Emily Fraser on their respective journeys.

Children's Ministry

It has been pleasing to see the addition of a Sunday School program during the Choral Eucharist once a month in the Parish Centre (4th Sundays), to complement the once a month Kids' Church service (2nd Sundays, 12noon) that has now been running for over two years. As well as members of the Ministry Team, the Sunday School ministry involves several volunteers across several age groups within the Parish, and gives parents another 'family friendly' option each month – one that, most importantly, makes it easier for them to be fully present to the liturgy at a 10.00am service. The 4.00pm Christmas Eve Service last year saw a huge response from parents looking for something solidly liturgical but sufficiently informal and accessible, and at a workable time of day for the rhythms of their households – an experiment to be repeated this year. And there is something of 'trial and error' inherent in children's ministry: no one 'formula' works in all places at any given time. The 'Little Angels' Story Time' initiative, for example, whilst attracting some interest, needs to be 'tweaked' in order to better meet the needs of those it seeks to serve in the community. Mother Jenny's artistic flair, and Philip's musical versatility, together with engaging story telling and a willingness to try and connect with the experiences and insights of children – the hunger of the 'such as these' to whom the kingdom belongs to grapple with the faith tradition – are among the best resources we have for this dimension of our mission. Alongside these we need to continue to develop physical facilities – such as 'Kids' Corner' in the north aisle of the church – that will create a welcoming, user-friendly (including by being as acoustically sensitive as possible!) environment for young children and their families, for example by the recent addition of two large 'shag-pile' carpet squares to 'soften' this space.

Pastoral Care

There's no doubt that with a 50% increase from last year in funeral and memorial services conducted by members of the Ministry Team – averaging more than one per fortnight – a significant part of the Parish's pastoral care is exercised by way of ministering to grieving families and communities: a reminder that the Church's liturgy, offered generously, performed 'decently and in order' is itself a most important form of pastoral care. The same is true, of course, although with a different 'intensity' perhaps, of the opportunities for meaningful and ongoing pastoral contact provided by the other so-called 'Occasional' or 'Pastoral Offices', namely weddings and baptisms, which, again this year, combine to the order of a hundred encounters. The 'behind the scenes' roles of our Verger and Sacristan is indispensable in facilitating this pastoral work of ritual.

It has been said that good preaching 'afflicts the comfortable, and comforts the afflicted'. Proclamation of the Gospel always has a pastoral component, as it is never abstract, but is always Good – if challenging – News for someone. Ask Mother Dorothy, Peter Sherlock, or any of the local or visiting scholars who stand in our pulpit about the (daunting) task of preaching as applied theology – especially if it's true that we preach first to ourselves, that is, into one's own 'bad news', or, as the celebrated preacher of the patristic period, John Chrysostom ('the golden mouth'), put it, if the preacher is the 'first hearer' of the Gospel's afflicting comfort, or comforting affliction...

Close to 4% – that's almost 1 in every 25 – of our total acts of communion now take place outside of the Parish Church, i.e. at aged and palliative care facilities, at home, or by hospital beds. The faithful, sensitive ministry in this respect of Fr Stephen and Deirdre Scott, among others, continues to be significant, and we are well served by Marilyn's wise counsel from across the Park at the Alfred, and the experience she brings as a Clinical Pastoral Care (CPE) educator and practitioner. The obvious Christian care of so many members of this community for others within and beyond it is an inspiration for those of us whose baptismal responsibilities are focused by pastoral commission.

The Parish Centre

The Parish Office continues to be the 'engine room' of so much of all this activity – and more! Lucy Loiacono, a crucial point of contact and connection, and now Robyn Nash in her role as Bookkeeper, provide invaluable administrative and other support in the midst of what can be a very complex and hectic working environment. The ministry of hospitality and welcome is expressed in the Old Vicarage Parish Centre no less, and no less importantly, than in the Church: both to individuals seeking spiritual counsel and/or practical support, e.g. food parcels – many dozens of which are distributed annually – and to groups such as the Hymn Book Company, or ABM, or mourners, or wedding guests, who find it conducive to business and fellowship. May we continue to throw the doors wide open, and to enjoy the blessings that this space, which regularly 'holds' us (if only just!) post-worship, brings to our own common life within the household of faith and discipleship that is CCSY.

Fr Richard

FINANCIAL REPORT - YEAR ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2009

2009 Accounts

The 2009 annual accounts for Christ Church South Yarra are in the process of being finalised at the time of writing. From a high level perspective, a loss will be recorded for the year. Importantly, the gap between costs and revenues is being narrowed through a combination of additional giving received from parishioners and additional income from weddings and other services. The need for increased giving and other income is a demand which is unlikely to abate given the continual increases in costs we experience. As a result, and consistent with recent practice, income has been supplemented by some withdrawals from the Parish's investment funds to balance the accounts.

Changes during the year

Significant work has been undertaken on the management of our accounting affairs. Having used an external accounting firm for the past few years, we took the decision to bring the function back 'in house' and employed Robyn Nash (Operations Manager for Christ Church Grammar and qualified accountant) to undertake this work. On behalf of the Parish, I would like to thank Robyn for her diligent service during this transition period. Both the Churchwardens and I are now more comfortable with our accounting systems, and receive improved data in a more timely fashion to better manage the Parish's finances.

Investment Portfolio

The past two years in financial markets have been among the most tumultuous ever experienced, which has had ramifications for almost every kind of investment including those held by the Parish. Christ Church's portfolio is invested in a range of assets including shares, cash, fixed interest, and property. The portfolio has been structured to provide a long-term capital appreciation to fund future capital works, with a moderate degree of income for the Parish to fund some of its day-to-day operations. Even though the portfolio has been invested for the long term, the Treasurer and the Churchwardens have been seeking to add some value, having retained a large component of the Building Fund in cash in 2008 and realising profit from a Rio Tinto special share issue. The return on the portfolio for the year is expected to be around zero percent for the 2009 financial year. Given what has occurred through the year, we are pleased with the outcome.

Looking Forward

The Vestry, Churchwardens and Treasurer continue to address the shortfall created by increased costs, seeking to increase non-giving income and control expenditure. Our aim is to ensure that over the longer term 'live' income (that is, from direct giving, fees, and the School) covers the costs of operating the Parish, leaving the investment portfolio to fund capital works.

Alistair Barker, Honorary Treasurer

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC'S REPORT

The past year has been a busy one for the musicians of Christ Church South Yarra. Within the Parish, the choir, organist and myself rehearse each Thursday night; sing and play at the 10.00am Choral Eucharist each week; and offer Choral Evensong on the third Sunday of each month. In addition, we provide music for mid-week feast days, and other special services (this past year including Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Ascension, the feast of the Transfiguration, and three 'South Transept' marriages!), as well as for Kids' Church, and other weddings and funerals, details of which are recorded in the parish statistics. We also put on a concert or special musical service in the Parish from time to time, the highlight of these this year was the liturgical performance of Ivan Moody's *Passion and Resurrection* on Good Friday afternoon.

In other places, we have led the music for an ordination and the 'Fresh Connections' Launch Service in the Cathedral, led the music for the Keble Mass in St Stephen's Richmond, and toured to Christ Church Cathedral Newcastle, where we rehearsed and sang together for two services on 27 September (Michaelmas), including the first performance of a new work by eminent Australian composer Ruth Lee Martin. Other first performances this year have included works by Peter Campbell, Christopher Willcock and yours truly.

The Christ Church Music Foundation has provided the required funds to purchase a number of hymn books for the Choir (members had been sharing previously) so that we now have enough books for all members. Hymn books retail at about \$100 each now. Please consider this need if making a (tax deductible) donation to the Foundation. Through the Foundation, the parish has provided hospitality to many external concert-promoting agencies, arts groups and their audiences, resulting in 11 concerts throughout the year, and the passage of around 1800 people onto the church grounds. The Foundation also provides resources to employ two senior choristers, and deputy organists, as required.

The Christ Church Music Foundation welcomes your continuing support so that we can work towards commissioning new works from contemporary composers, thus ensuring our liturgies are employing up-to-date works and our church is taking seriously its role as patron of the arts. Please contact me if I can provide further information about the Music Foundation, or any other aspect of the music program here at Christ Church.

Many thanks to all members of the Choir for their on-going dedication, my ministry team colleagues for their guidance, and to the Churchwardens, Vestry and all people of Christ Church for their support. The music program at Christ Church would not survive without the dedication and work of all these, but I would especially like to thank Richard Treloar, Siegfried Franke, Ben Owen and Brian Hauser.

Laus Deo.

Philip Nicholls, Director of Music

CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The year began with a heatwave in the first week and temperatures soared above 40 degrees. It was a sombre time and Black Saturday bushfires had a huge emotional impact on us and all Victorians. This year 439 pupils have attended Christ Church Grammar School with Three-Year-Old Kindergarten and Preparatory levels continuing to be the main entry point for pupils.

The Deputy Head, Mr David Colvin taught at Year 4 level, led Pastoral Care of Pupils and was responsible for timetabling and staff duty rosters. Parkside Coordinators Miss Debby Flavell and Mrs Sandra Holland led a superb team who created an exciting and engaged learning environment for Preparatory and Year 1. Mrs Robyn Wood continued to direct a team of inspiring staff members in the Kindergarten where the learning and play environment is both challenging and enchanting.

Christ Church Grammar School has thrived under the spiritual and pastoral care of the Church. Twice a week Father Richard, Mother Jenny, Father Paul and Father Stephen, along with Janet Cook (Organist), welcome us into Christ Church for our Chapel Services. It is a very precious time for our community as we share our celebrations, our concerns and always, as a basis, praise God with gratitude for the School, teachers, families, and friends.

Again this year many of our most important times together have been in Christ Church. In Term One the children took part in World Day of Prayer which focussed on the people of Papua New Guinea and we were honoured by a visit from the Governor of Victoria. We journeyed through Lent with special services on Ash Wednesday and Palm 'Friday'. ABM Lenten boxes raised over \$2,800.

In Term Two at the combined School and Parish Sunday service in May, Melbourne's first and Australia's second female Bishop, Barbara Darling, was the preacher and our Year 2/3 and Chamber Choirs sang. Once again during Reconciliation Week services were focussed on our Indigenous brothers and sisters. Children brought gold coins along and raised over \$300 for the Anglican Outback Fund.

In Term Three, the Music Alive Concert and our Thanksgiving Service took place in Christ Church. The work of the Brotherhood of St Laurence was celebrated and the food that the children offered was shared between the Parish's Good Samaritan Cupboard and the Anglican Parish of St Albans. Our families supported the Christ Church Jumble Sale in September and the Friends of CCGS worked with parishioners at the event.

Families have filled the pews at the Sunday Services held four times a year and we have been very proud of the children's contributions of music, readings and prayer. The Church is central to everything we do and at no time is this more obvious than on Speech Day when our community brings to conclusion all our work for the year.

As in previous years, the children's giving has supported the Church's work with the poor and needy through Anglicare, ABM, and with our Indigenous community in Areyonga.

In terms of maintenance and building, the usual painting and refurbishing took place. The roof above three of the Kindergarten rooms was repaired and the area between the roof and ceiling was cleaned and insulated. Ramps into the Music Room and Art Room were constructed and we are grateful to the Commonwealth Government Investing in Our Schools Agreement through their minor capital works for their contribution.

In Parkside, a disabled lavatory was installed and a new instrumental Music Room was constructed. This was partly enabled by a grant towards the project from the Telstra Foundation through its Telstra Kids' Fund. Mr Thomas Hansen (parent of Elizabeth 4C and Helena 1H) initiated the application to the Foundation and followed up each stage of the process.

Fawkner (formerly the New Manse) is currently being converted for school class usage downstairs and Music/Individual Difference rooms upstairs. The Federal Governments' BER (first round) grant of \$150,000 is being used on this project, along with plumbing for the new water tank on the east face of the Church's south transept. Two Year 1 classes will move into Fawkner in 2010 allowing much more room to spread out in Parkside.

The Australian Government's "Building the Educational Revolution" (BER) economic stimulus package also resulted in a \$2.5 million (third round) grant which is being used to 'wrap' a new building around the Punt Road-Park Place corner. It will provide more and enhanced Music facilities, classrooms, a multi purpose room and maintenance/storage facilities. The architects for this project are Williams Boag.

Beryl Gregory, Headmistress

THE WIDER MISSION OF THE CHURCH

*Monies distributed through the Parish Office
1 October 2008 to 30 September 2009*

ABM	\$1,409
Anglicare, Streets and Lanes Appeal (Jumble Sale)	\$2,500
Bible Society, CCES, PNG (World Day of Prayer Service)	\$ 310
Christmas Bowl Appeal	\$ 989
Diocese of Melanesia, Education Office (Mission Dinner & Footy Tipping)	\$ 530
Prahran Mission (Jumble Sale)	\$2,500
Total:	\$8,238
<i>Previous year's total:</i>	<i>\$9,236</i>

SOME STATISTICS

1 October 2008 – 30 September 2009

(Previous year's figures in brackets)

Baptisms	31 ^o	(43)
Admission to Holy Communion	11	(11)
Confirmation	6	(7)
Marriages	38 ¹	(26)
Funeral & Memorial services	30 ²	(20)
Total acts of Communion	10,431	(10,427)
Av. Sunday communicants	155	(147)
Av. Sunday attendance (all services)	224	(224)
Av. weekly attendance	795	(717)
Av. Choral Evensong attendance	79	(75)
Av. Kids' Church attendance	29 ³	(39)
CCGS mid-week attendance	12,543*	n/a
Daily Office attendances	969*	n/a

^o 2008 was an exceptional year for Baptisms; in addition, 6 of the 31 candidates this year were able to answer for themselves (compared with 8 of 43 last year)

¹ This figure includes 5 weddings officiated at by Parish clergy 'off site'

² This figure includes 6 such services held somewhere other than the Parish church, but led by Parish Clergy

³ Fewer Baptisms were held in the context of "Kids' Church" services this year than last year

*These totals have not been previously recorded and/or reported

CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCH, THE VICARAGE AND OTHER BUILDINGS OF THE PARISH

This report will be tabled at the Annual Meeting

CHRIST CHURCH SOUTH YARRA

OUR VISION

We aim to grow more as an inclusive Christian community in the Anglican tradition that:

- worships God: Father, Son, and Spirit
- communicates the Gospel to the residents, workers, and visitors of South Yarra and beyond
- nurtures and matures faith: in God and one another

We seek to provide:

- liturgy and music of the highest quality
- intelligent preaching and teaching for all ages
- physical and spiritual support for those in need
- a welcoming and safe space for those who have been hurt by the Church or others
- buildings that are open for prayer and fellowship, for baptisms, marriages, and funerals; and for those who are seeking a place of peace and transcendence
- Christian education through Christ Church Grammar School and programs for those of all ages
- resources for the Diocese of Melbourne and the wider Church

Our faith and actions should be generous and hospitable at all times, as encouraged by, and in response to, our most gracious and welcoming God.



Laus Deo