



Our Community Gardening Group

Many moons ago, pre COVID, the Community Gardens Committee of CMUC accepted an offer of some 20 planter boxes from FareShare, a charity based in Abbotsford which produces low cost meals for those in need. The boxes had been made by prisoners, but FareShare no longer needed them, and most were in need of maintenance and repair.

At the time, we anticipated a use for them ourselves, and set about repairing and upgrading the boxes, which have been stored in the Mentone UC hall in Eblana Ave. Mentone.

However, as reported previously, most of the various initiatives of our wee committee have unfortunately come to nought, aside from a modest Backyard Sharing project (*more on that another time*). As a result, we have recently found ourselves post COVID with several good quality planter boxes in need of a good home.

After several enquiries, a dozen have now been dispatched. Six have been enthusiastically accepted by Hampton Park UC (*which runs a community garden and offers community meals twice a week*); one by the Murrumbeena Community Garden, associated with Murrumbeena UC; and five by the Carnegie Community Laneways Garden and Gallery – recommended by the Murrumbeena Community Garden.

Photos provided by the grateful Carnegie Community Laneways – Adrian Bode is the good looking bloke on the left in the top photo inside the Mentone hall, whilst the bloke in the middle is about to turn 90 - (no prizes for guessing the bloke on the right - Ed).

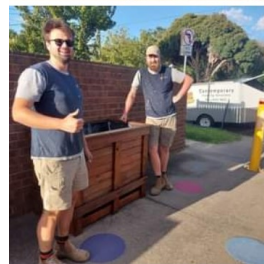
Encouraging to see that some good use is being made of an upgraded resource for community gardening.

- Max Wright.

From Helen Cole: *"The Cheltenham Opportunity Shop is settling into its new home at 10 Park Rd, Cheltenham - between Nepean Hwy and Charman Rd (opposite St Matthews). Due to over supply thy cannot accept any more books or DVD's, also no electrical items for safety reasons. Most other household items and clothing in good condition are still welcome".*

Last Sunday Rev Greg Fry played the second part of the "Easter Message 2022" by Moderator Denise Liersch. The video invites us to listen to the story of Good Friday through Luke's eyes. "Luke invites us to listen much more deeply and to let ourselves be touched by the griefs and disappointments that saturate his story of the resurrection of Jesus" Denise says. "Resurrection faith is about discovering that the body of Christ is no longer in the tomb. Christ is alive in our midst as we pray together, sing and laugh, forgive each other and eat and drink together. Hear the good news: we don't say 'Christ was risen', 'Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed'."

To view the full message follow this link or click on the image opposite.
<https://crosslight.org.au/2022/03/30/moderators-easter-reflection/>



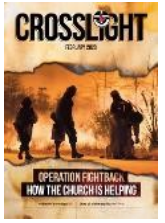


Bible Readings for May 1st Easter 3 *(the readings used in our service may differ slightly)*

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20) Psalm 30 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19

CROSSLIGHT is available on the internet - click on the following link or the **CROSSLIGHT** image to view online. www.crosslight.org.au

Print copies of **CROSSLIGHT** usually available at the entrance of the Black Rock Uniting Church. Latest **CROSSLIGHT** now available from David Vine, 4 Jedda Crt. Cheltenham 9583 7373.



Prayers of the People



We pray especially for -

Virginia *(Nan's friend)*

Betty Kneen

Dawn's daughter Carol

Pete, Christine, Bruce & Valda
(friends of Jo-ann & David)

Grace Fairbank

Carol

Stuart *as he struggles with
addiction*

Janine and June Bartholomeusz

Audrey Fewster

Margaret's neighbour Joan

Jo-ann

Rosemary & Bob

Gemma and Teresa

Susan Bartell

Bronwyn

Gloria, Samson & Family

Barb Loosemore

Isobel Churchward

Anita and Kingsley

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: Thanks to everyone who have continued to make their weekly offering.

Envelopes: If you wish your offering to be specifically for Cheltenham, please place it in an envelope marked "Cheltenham" and place it in the offering bowl at church.

Direct Debit: Cheltenham / Mentone members note that direct payments can now be made to our new Westpac account at **Southland The account number is 664 881 and the BSB number is 033 358**

Payee "Uniting Church in Australia Cheltenham Mentone Parish Council"

The former Commonwealth Bank - BSB 06 3119, Account Number 1014 1206 - is still active for the time being.

Cheltenham-Mentone Members: Please bear in mind that although we are worshipping at Black Rock, the expenses of electricity, water, insurance, maintenance and Minister's stipend are still ongoing at Cheltenham.

Church on the Internet - Sunday 10am *(virtual doors open 9:45 am)*



If you don't have Zoom on your computer/laptop/iPad/Smartphone, click on <https://zoom.us/support/download>

Then click on this link below or the "Sunday Church" image to join our Service -

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85247373230?pwd=WIM2UHJEemFWS3RScnNqM3puaGdZdz09>



Otherwise open Zoom and enter the following - **Meeting ID: 852 4737 3230 Passcode: 836844**

You can also join us on your phone by dialling **03 7018 2005** and entering the above meeting details.

Videos on the Internet



NEW YouTube Channel; Follow this link or click on the YouTube logo

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCH-y4pZ_f_lezegzNZi6nnQ

to view a selection of **over 50** sermons and service preludes



Social Collection Department

BayCISS - collection of goods by Graeme & Joan Wood has recommenced. Leave goods with them at 66 Bernard St. Cheltenham, or call them (Graeme & Joan Wood) on 9555 0462

Emerge - Financial help is the best way to help - Cheques to - GPO Box 420 Melbourne VIC 3001 or donate via the website www.emergesupport.org.au Emerge welcomes vouchers for supermarkets or art materials which children could use at home - materials, pencils, colouring books etc. Margaret Bode is happy to take items to the Moorabbin office if you leave them at her home, 16 Monaco Street Parkdale.



INTERFAITH NETWORK City of Greater Dandenong

Interfaith Breakfast 2022

*Celebrating United Nations
World Interfaith Harmony Week*

Guest Speaker ~ Nyadol Nyuen

**Taking Stock of What Life Is Missing:
"The Conversational Nature of Reality"**

Saturday 7 May, 2022

7am-9am

Supper Room, Springvale Town Hall

397 - 405 Springvale Road, Springvale

FREE EVENT

CLICK ON IMAGE OR [HERE](#) TO REGISTER

REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL by April 29th.

ENQUIRIES: executive@interfaithnetwork.org.au

Nyadol Nyuen appears by arrangement with Saxton Speakers Bureau

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VACCINATION CERTIFICATE or A MEDICALLY APPROVED EXEMPTION



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DAVID JOHNSTON

SCOTT HARRISON

LIVE AT THE
WURLITZER
THEATRE PIPE ORGAN

1 MAY 2022
KINGSTON CITY HALL

Corner Nepean Highway & South Road Moorabbin
Concert Starts 2PM

Adults \$35 | Concession \$30 | Members \$25
Groups 10+ \$20 | Under 18 Free
Tickets available from Kingston Arts Box office
or online at kingstonarts.com.au