



Sunday 18th October 2026

The Anglican Parish of Bass-Phillip Island

St Philip's, Cowes
St Augustine's, San Remo, St Paul's, Bass
Choose Hope, Love, Justice

Welcome! It is wonderful to gather for worship and celebrate the risen Lord. If you are visiting, we'd love you to join us for morning tea. We meet for worship on the lands of Bunurong, Gunai-kurnai and Woi-Wurrung people; the traditional owners of the land on which we gather, and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present, and pray God's blessings on all peoples.

Today: 21st Sunday After Pentecost – The Beatitudes

Readings: Psalm 34: 1-10, 22, 1 John 3: 1-3, Matthew 5: 1-12



Today we begin a short series on some of Jesus's teachings from the Sermon on the Mount, beginning with the beatitudes. Jesus's teaching is so counter cultural, but we are blessed when we follow him and seek to live with the attitudes and lifestyle he teaches. To be meek, merciful, pure of heart, seeking justice and righteousness. May we be challenged to examine our

attitudes and seek to live as God's children, under his rule, in his Kingdom.

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PRAYER POINTS:

- **The World: Blessed are the peacemakers** — we pray for nations in conflict, asking God to raise up leaders who seek reconciliation, justice, and mercy. For places burdened by poverty, disaster, or oppression, that God's comfort may reach those who mourn and hunger for righteousness.
- **The Church: Blessed are the pure in heart** — may the Church across the world reflect Christ's holiness, humility, and compassion, walking the path of the beatitudes. We pray for persecuted Christians around the world; may they know they are blessed. We pray for Pope Leo, battling lung cancer.
- **The Community: Blessed are the merciful** — we pray for the wellbeing of Phillip Island and the Bass Coast, that kindness and neighbourly care may flourish. For families under strain, students, workers, and volunteers, asking God to strengthen those who quietly serve and uplift others.
- **Those in Need: Blessed are those who mourn** — we lift before God all who grieve, suffer illness, or feel overwhelmed, asking for comfort, healing, and peace. For the lonely, anxious, or discouraged, that they may know Christ's nearness and the promise that they are not forgotten.

DIARY DATES THIS WEEK:

Monday 19th	7:00pm Prayers for the parish – St Philip's, Cowes
Thursday 22nd	10:00am Communion - St. Philip's, Cowes
Friday 23rd	11:00 – 1:00 Chat 'n Chew – Parish Hall
Fri 23rd – Mon 26th	7:00am Moto GP Breakfasts – Parish Hall
Sunday 25th	9:30am Prayer, Praise and Proc' , St. Philip's, Cowes
	11:00am Communion Service , St. Aug's, with St. Pauls
	7:00pm Worship night – Cowes Baptist Church

NEWS and EVENTS:

Mens Event – Thursday 22nd October @ Cowes Baptist Church, 6pm with BBQ. Speaker Richard Gijssbers, 'Reflections of a Missionary Forester, 40 years later' Cost \$10. See Flyers for details.

BCA Dinner- Warragul Anglican Church 6th Nov 6pm. *Good News for and from Katherine*. Register @ <https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au/shop-event.php?intid=107>

Ordination Service – **Saturday 7th November 11am**. Come and support Marinus van Meerten as he is ordained Deacon at St Paul's Cathedral in Sale. Please be praying for Marinus as he prepares for ordination.

National Church Life Surveys coming soon...

Sunday 29th Nov AGM Meeting prior to the Combined Parish Service

Next Sunday: Psalm 119: 1-8, 1 Cor 3: 1-9, Matthew 5: 21-30