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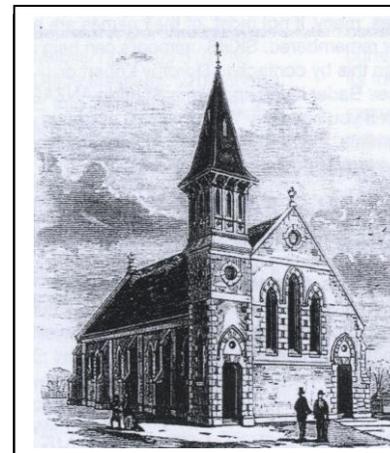
*We respectfully acknowledge the Yaluk-ut Weelam clan of the Boon Wurrung – the Traditional Owners of Port Phillip. We pay our respects to their Elders and community - past, present and emerging. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to this land.*

Date	6 June	13 June	20 June	27 June	4 July
<i>Worship</i>	Robert	David	David	David	David
<i>Assistance</i>	Randall	Melissa	Wendy	Roma	Randall
<i>Welcome at door</i>	Louise	Darren	Maureen	Wendy	Louise
<i>Flowers</i>	Roma	Mary	Deb	Maureen	Desleigh
<i>Coffee</i>	Louise	Mary	Mark	Melissa	Louise
<i>Rubbish collection</i>	Roma	Randall	Roma	Darren	Randall

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**VISION STATEMENT:**  
As a community of faith, the St Kilda Uniting Church Parish Mission strives to do what is just, to show constant love and to walk humbly with God.

**NEWSLETTER DETAILS:**  
Desleigh Kent is the editor and distributor of the Newsletter. .If you would like to receive a copy of the church newsletter each week or if you wish to be removed from the list, please contact Desleigh: [desleighk@ozemail.com.au](mailto:desleighk@ozemail.com.au)  
Contributions to the content are also welcomed.




**St Kilda Uniting Church  
Parish Mission**

**NEWSLETTER**

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**Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

We welcome everyone who has joined us via ZOOM today. We continue to gather again online - we are together and yet apart! **Rev Dr Robert Hoskin will lead our gathering today. This includes virtual communion, so if you would like to participate please have your drink of choice and some bread on hand.**

**READING:** Mark 3: 20 - 35 pg.666 Romans 8: 37 - 39 pg.740  
*The Inclusive Bible*

**FROM DAVID: Our \$50 note**  
I was standing outside my local café on Friday waiting for my takeaway skinny flat-white with one sugar, to arrive. The weather was cold and wet, but the owner had turned on the outside overhead heaters and was ‘broadcasting’ hits from the 70’s – all designed to make our waiting just a bit more fun during lockdown number four.  
My coffee arrived while Dusty Springfield was singing ‘Son of a preacher man’ so I stood for a while enjoying my coffee and the ‘blast from the past’. The whole experience lasted only a few minutes but enough to give me an idea for this article.  
There have been a few famous daughters as well as sons of preachers: Katy Perry, Tori Amos, Aretha Franklin, Margaret Thatcher, Alice Cooper, Denzel Washington, MLK jnr, the Wright brothers, are just a tiny example. Oh, and Bob Hawke of course.  
**But the one I want to write about appears on our \$50 note - David Ngunaitponi.**

**Cont...** David Ngunaitponi, an Aboriginal man born on a Mission in the South East of South Australia, was an extraordinary person and worthy of so much more attention than I can provide in this short article. I can only suggest that you insert his name into a search engine and explore the internet for yourselves. His life story is so amazing it ought to be told through a full-length movie. He was nicknamed the "Australian Leonardo da Vinci" for his many inventions, including his contribution to a pre WW1 helicopter. He designed its rotors on the principle of the boomerang. He was fascinated with the idea of perpetual motion.

He was the first Aboriginal writer to be published in English, writing many articles about Aboriginal rights and traditional customs. In the early 1920's he was commissioned by the University of Adelaide to assemble a book on Indigenous legends and storytelling. The College of Indigenous Education and Research within the University of Adelaide is named after him.

But sitting at the top of a significant list of achievements is that he was able to get Australians of his era to accept Aboriginal intelligence and to recognise the scientific knowledge that exists within the world's oldest culture. Prof Bruce Pascoe, one of Australia's best and most well known Indigenous authors (Dark Emu etc) said of David Ngunaitponi: 'His legacy paves the way for younger

Aboriginal people to unearth the Indigenous science Australia has buried beneath a ton of denial'.

Reconciliation is more than Word, and one of the most fruitful actions we can take is to make time to read, investigate, learn and understand the stories behind people like the man on the \$50 note.

Shalom David

### **SONGS/HYMNS:**

**There will be no hymns to sing today- Robert will choose music for the online service.**

### **NOTICES:**

#### **BIBLE STUDY (via ZOOM).**

**Wednesdays: 7.30 - 8.30 pm.**

This week, **9 June**, we will focus on questions submitted during our series on **God as Spirit**. Feedback about this series suggests that it has been very enlightening and helpful. That's always good to know, and I hope this coming Wednesday meets expectations!

If you are not already included on the bible study list, let David know via email and he will add you to the invitation list. [saints163@bigpond.com](mailto:saints163@bigpond.com)

**163 CONVERSATIONS has been cancelled for next Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup>. Look out for details for July 13th**



THE PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIAN  
NETWORK OF VICTORIA INC.

The next PCNV meeting will be on **Sunday June 27<sup>th</sup>**. In the meantime why not check out the interesting material on the website:

<https://www.pcnvictoria.org.au>



#### **UNITING WINTER SHARE**

**APPEAL** As winter is well and truly here, and the reduction in the JobSeeker payment, more and more people are slipping into crisis. **The Uniting Winter Share Appeal is a way of helping vulnerable people.**

**To donate:**

<https://www.unitingvictas.org.au/appeal>

**The latest *CROSSLIGHT* is available online at <https://crosslight.org.au/> Hard copies will be available at the church when services are resumed there.**

**The latest newsletter from *BASP* Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project is out and can be found on**

**[www.basp.org.au](http://www.basp.org.au). I will also pin one on the notice board at church**

For anyone wishing to make a donation, the Project bank details are:

Brigidine Asylum Seekers Trust  
Account: bsb: 083-004; a/c: 56-924-6603; NAB. Please put your name on the entry and please email us at [contact@basp.org.au](mailto:contact@basp.org.au) after making a donation so we can send you a tax deductible receipt.



Space2b, 144 Chapel St, St Kilda is hopefully having a festival on **Sunday 20th June 2021, 1-3 pm at our church. Feels Like Home Multicultural Celebrations** Come earlier @12.30 pm to join our carnival parade from Space2b to the church



On World Refugee Day Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June, **Asylum Seeker Resource Centre** is holding a **Telethon** to raise funds for their projects. Phone 1300692772 to make a contribution Check the website:

<https://asrc.org.au>

They also have a catering service – vegetarian meals can be picked up/delivered <https://meals.asrc.org.au/>