# PROPOSED ZOOM CAMP IN 2023 Portland Vic.

Friday 28th – Sunday 30th April 2023 (Some will come earlier and some leave later)

# Weekend plan: (Click on links below to view web sites)

Set up tent area on the Thursday and pull down on the Monday. Organised activities will be from Friday to Sunday, and ad hoc at other times like we normally do.

The plan for the weekend is as follows.

**Thursday** - Set up the meeting tent and gazebo - Settle in.

Friday - The majority arrive during the day at vaious times. Casual free time and get together

Saturday - Morn - Breakfast from 7.30/8am - Study Part 1 9.30am - Morning Tea 10.30. Study Part 2 11am - - - - Lunch 12 Noon

Afternoon - 1.30pm Local activities. • Point Danger Gannet Colony – 6k, http://www.visitportland.com.au/gannets/ Cape Nelson Lighthouse http://www.capenelsonlighthouse.com.au – 14k – Tours 2pm Daily \$15, (0428 131 253) • Isabella's Cafe at lighthouse (03 55 235 119) • Cape Nelson State Park (www.parks.vic.gov.au/places-to-see/parks/cape-nelson-state-park) • Great South West Walk (https://greatsouthwestwalk.com) 2 Hour Loop Walk, Video - (https://youtu.be/AbhoGLZy2xA)

Alternate Suggestion - • Portland Botanical Gardens

(https://www.visitportland.com.au/botanical-gardens) • Portland Powerhouse Motor and Car Museum Adults \$10, pensioner/ concession \$8

(https://www.visitportland.com.au/powerhouse-car-nuseum) • Cable Tram Museum and Depot (http://www.portlandcabletrams.com.au)

### Evening - 7.30pm Theme Night - TIME TO PARTY ON

Note From Doreen - Now the Saturday Night theme night at camp. Like we had dress up for Halloween? We have an idea, how about a Flower Power 60's theme? Going to San Francisco with flowers in our hair type stuff? Not Rock and Roll, as we organised a 60's night for Rotary years ago. We had flowers everywhere and a juke box with the late sixties music on it and they all turned up in Rock and roll gear, sticky out dresses etc, expecting Bill Hayley, when we told them that the sixties were not rock and roll, they soon realized that Australia was very behind in the music, at that time, not like UK and USA, some were not amused!

Sunday - Morn - Breakfast from 7.30/8am - Study group Mass 9.30am followed by 10.30am morning tea. 11am • Portland Cable Trams 12.30pm (http://www.portlandcabletrams.com.au)

- 1hr return \$20/\$18

Those leaving today head off sometime after lunch

**Sunday afternoon** - Chill out time or do one of the other suggestions above.

**Sunday Night Dinner,** Table Games - Bring along your favourite game to share.

Monday - Those leaving today help pack up the tent etc

We need to set up 5 tables - 4 for meals and one serving table

Bruce & Anna (2) Barry & Sue (1) Sherene & Miguel (2)

Chairs (15) with a high back. (Sam and Cathy)

New Urn (Fr Max)

We can bring our own comfortable chairs to sit in for the get togethers, but these are not really suitable to sit up to a table with.

Matting for the floor - Fr Max, Cathy & Sam

**Lighting** Sam and Cathy

Engel fridges - Bruce & Anna

# Providing Meals and setting up/cleaning up etc

**Thursday Dinner** - (Local Restaurant)

Friday Lunch - Doreen & Roy Gilchrist

Friday Dinner - Anna & Bruce Stanley plus Ruth Simpson

Saturday Lunch - Bev and Ernie Russell

Saturday "Theme Night' Dinner - Miguel and Sherene

Sunday Lunch - Sam and Cathy Addamo

Sunday Dinner - Fr Max & Ros Bowers, Left Overs

**Morning and Afternoon Teas and supper -** (Sue and Barry Steggall). Tea/Coffee/Milk/sugar, will be provided by zoom, food for nibbles by Sue & Chef Barry.

# **Meal suggestions** (For catering purposes there will be 15 coming)

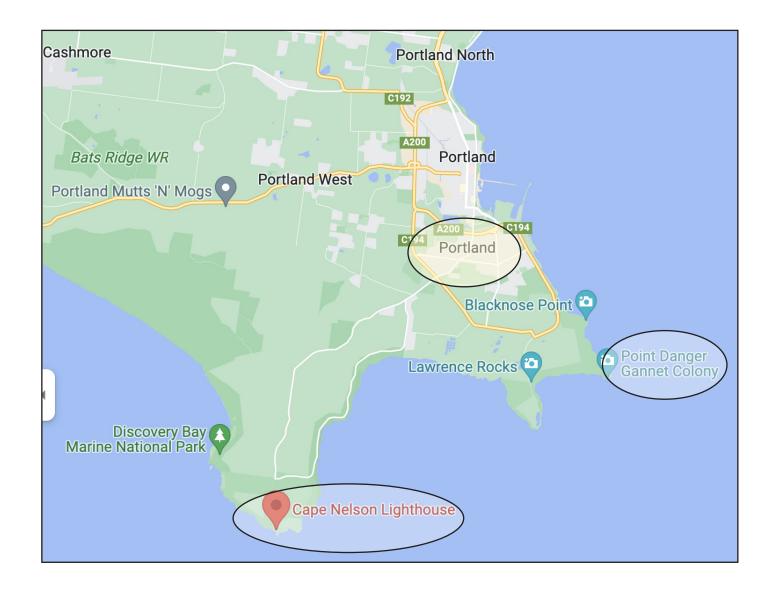
For all meals, cuppas etc we need to bring our own cutlery, crockery, cups, glasses etc with us. Breakfast - Serve self with cereal/ toast etc (Zoom will provide)

Lunch - Rolls, wraps or similar and a sweet

**Dinner -** Casserole or similar and a sweet.

Morning & Afternoon Tea & Supper plus Saturday afternoon tea away.

Zoom will provide Tea/Coffee/Milk etc and food provided by Sue and Barry..

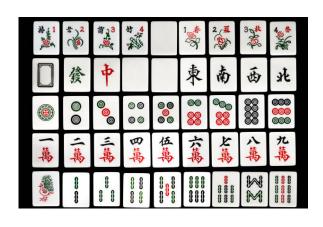


# Learn how to play Mahjong

Thanks to eagle eye Doreen, the link to "How to play the game" is listed below.

If you are interested in having a game at camp, check out the video to give you a heads up.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pka0nVlahb0



# TRAM ROUTE Deport 1 Bentinck St Deport 1 Bentinck St Deport 2 Portland Cable Trass Museum & Depot Portland Batenic Gardens Portland Batenic Gardens

Cape Nelson Lighthouse



2. Portland Powerhouse Motor and Car Museum



3. Portland Botanical Gardens





Portland boasts of the oldest botanical gardens in Australia, and the second-oldest in Victoria.

On a plot bounded by Salt Creek, the garden was designed in the 1850s by William Allitt and has held onto its original layout.

As was the case 170 years ago, the garden shows off the impressive diversity of species that can be grown in south-west Victoria's temperate climate.

You can admire wonderful specimens of cabbage palm, Rhus Viminalis and Caracus wigandia, as well 180 varieties of dahlias (blooming from February to late-April), over 300 rose varieties and a colourful display of annuals.



Bird watchers flock to Point Danger to view Australia's only mainland colony of Australasian Gannets, Located just 6 km out of Portland, the interpretive information and elevated viewing platform can be accessed off Madeira Packet Road, near Portland Aluminium, on a sealed road with a final short gravel section. This dirt road and can be rough at times. (sign posted)

More than 6000 pairs of gannets nest on Lawrence Rocks, 2 km south of the mainland. The mainland colony of 300 pairs is an ideal place to observe birds in all stages of life, from chicks and grey coloured immature gannets, to the mature adult birds with their marvelous wing span and impressive size.

Gannets are nesting and raising young from July to April

Gannets feed on small sea fish like pilchards, and their feed seeking methods are quite a show to watch. It is a wonderful phenomenon to witness hundreds of gannets diving into the sea in succession, targeting a school of fish. Gannets can dive from a height of 30 metres, achieving speeds of 100 km/h as they strike the water, enabling them to catch fish at depths of up to 20 metres much deeper than most airborne birds.





# Portland Tourist Park

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# Sunday Zoom Mass

# John 21:4-12 (Cathy)

21 Jesus appeared again to the disciples, this time at the Tiberias Sea (the Sea of Galilee). This is how he did it: Simon Peter, Thomas (nicknamed "Twin"), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the brothers Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. Simon Peter announced, "I'm going fishing." The rest of them replied, "We're going with you." They went out and got in the boat. They caught nothing that night. When the sun came up, Jesus was standing on the beach, but they didn't recognize him. Jesus spoke to them: "Good morning! Did you catch anything for breakfast?" They answered, "No." He said, "Throw the net off the right side of the boat and see what happens." They did what he said. All of a sudden there were so many fish in it, they weren't strong enough to pull it in. Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Master!"

When Simon Peter realized that it was the Master, he threw on some clothes, for he was stripped for work, and dove into the sea. The other disciples came in by boat for they weren't far from land, a hundred yards or so, pulling along the net full of fish. When they got out of the boat, they saw a fire laid, with fish and bread cooking on it.

Jesus said, "Bring some of the fish you've just caught." Simon Peter joined them and pulled the net to shore—153 big fish! And even with all those fish, the net didn't rip.

Jesus said, "Breakfast is ready." Not one of the disciples dared ask, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Master



### (Anna)

**Small Things** - Timothy Tay (Malaysia)

My friend Andrew told me that he prays only when he has problems that he cannot solve on his own. In contrast, I often call on the Lord for help with small things: "Lord, help me find a place to park my car" or "What souvenirs shall I buy for this friend, Lord?" or "Lord, where have I placed my car keys?" After seeing me praying often about trivial things in daily life, Andrew bluntly said, "I don't want to bother God with small things."

Today's reading tells us that Jesus cared when the disciples caught nothing after a whole night at sea. Today's quoted verse reminds us that God also cares about the minor details of our lives. After all, God knows how many hairs are on our heads! God listens to my friend's prayers about big problems and also to my prayers about the little things that bother me in daily life. Nothing is too insignificant for God, who cares about the big and small things that happen to us. We can go to God with anything because God loves us.

# (We all share together our comments)

- 1. Is any request too small or trivial to bring to God in prayer? Explain your answer.
- 2. When, where, and from whom did you learn to pray? In what ways has your prayer life changed over time?
- 3. Do you think any of our prayers are ever a bother to God? Why or why not?

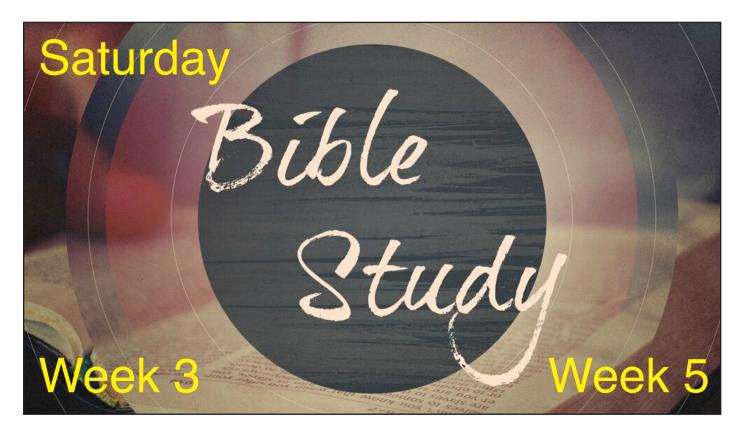
# (Sherene)

Special service collect (Prayer)

Dear God, you care about what happens in our lives. Help us to come to you with all the concerns in our lives. Amen.







PREPARATION - Prior to arrival at camp read Week 3 and Week 5 to familiarise yourself.

# Saturday Morning 1st Session - Week 3 Colossians 3: 12-17

So, chosen by God for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline. Be even-tempered, content with second place, quick to forgive an offense. Forgive as quickly and completely as the Master forgave you. And regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it.

15–17 Let the peace of Christ keep you in tune with each other, in step with each other. None of this going off and doing your own thing. And cultivate thankfulness. Let the Word of Christ—the Message—have the run of the house. Give it plenty of room in your lives. Instruct and direct one another using good common sense. And sing, sing your hearts out to God! Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way

# Saturday Morning 2nd Session - Week 5

**NOTE:** Bring along with you to camp a picture or symbol that expresses your understanding of mission

### Matthew 9: 36-38

When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; 38 therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

Study Book we are using is "Being a Christian in the Church" by Bishop Andrew Curnow.