

HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

To grow in Christ together, to equip for service, to care for all

WEEKLY BULLETIN

17 AUGUST 2014

**Tenth Sunday
after Pentecost**



Her daughter was healed



We offer a special welcome to visitors and pray that you will feel at home in our community.

You are warmly invited to share Communion with us, either by drinking from or dipping the wafer in the chalice, or to come forward for a blessing.

Reflection after Communion – please feel free to light a prayer candle in the Chapel at the back of the Church following Communion.



Please join us for morning tea after the services.

TODAY IN THE PARISH

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Revd Dr Sarah Bachelard
Preacher: Revd Richard Browning

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 18.08.14	10.00 am 9.30 - 1pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Covenant Care Crafty Crew
Tuesday 19.08.14	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation and BYO Lunch Parish Council
Wednesday 20.08.14	12.30 pm 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 21.08.14	9.30 am 6.00 pm	Rainbow Centre Chapel	Scrabble Mystic Soup meditation
Friday 22.08.14	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
Saturday 23.08.14	4.45 pm 5.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Choir Practice Benedictus Contemplative Church

WEEK BEGINNING 25 AUGUST

Monday 25.08.14	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 26.08.14	12.30 pm 7.30 p m	Worship Centre Rainbow centre	Meditation and BYO Lunch Eco-Footprint Group
Wednesday 27.08.14	12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 28.08.14	9.30 am 6.00 pm	Rainbow Centre Chapel	Scrabble Mystic Soup meditation
Friday 29.08.14	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
Saturday 30.08.14	4.45 pm 5.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Choir Practice Benedictus Contemplative Church

NB: Please note that the Quiet Day for men planned for next Saturday has been postponed till later in the year.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Mathew 15:21-28

I had gone from the Sea of Galilee past the Galilean Mountains and was on the shore of the Great Sea (the Mediterranean) when I saw the road signs to the biblical towns of Tyre and Sidon— all the time aware of the ministry of Jesus in this area.

When Jesus was in the Tyre and Sidon District he was approached by a Canaanite woman pleading with him to heal her daughter. If she were here today she may introduce herself by saying, *'I am a woman from the region of Canaan. Most people know little about me. My name is never mentioned but the Gospel writers; Matthew and Mark do give a brief account of one of the most important events in my life. They tell about the first time I met Jesus. They share the first time I realised the depth of God's love for me.'*

I remember as a seven year old cutting out pictures in old mission magazines that my dad would give me. I treasured them in an old scrap book made of butchers paper and string, stuck in with paste of flour and water. The pictures were always of nurses in New Guinea weighing black babies and children in the remote clinics. When my dad asked me why I chose those particular pictures I replied, 'because Jesus told me he wants me to do that work for him when I grow up.'

I guess I could say that was my first call into ministry and that memory, that awareness, of the first encounter with Jesus has stayed with me all my life. And definitely throughout my life, in the good times and the tough times, I have felt God's deep love for me. How about you? Can you pin point when you first met Jesus and when you realised the depth of his love for you?

PS. I did follow that first call into ministry and served as a missionary nurse in outback Australia for 10 years amongst a tribal group of Aboriginal people.

- Anne Ranse



FROM ST JOHN'S CARE



On Saturday, the Management Committee of St John's Care held our yearly strategic planning day to make sure that we are delivering the service we want to provide, look at where we want to be in twelve months time, and work out how we are going to get

there. The session was well facilitated by John Stafford, a member of the Committee and the Parish.

To start the day we reviewed our goals from the 2013 Planning Session. What a big year 2013 was for St John's Care. Last year at our planning day we were talking about the redevelopment and where we wanted to be at the end of the year. The redevelopment was a big leap of faith, we had some of the money but we needed a lot of support from you and the local community to update our facility from very small overcrowded rooms, where we could not guarantee our clients the dignity and respect they deserved, to something more fitting to our aim and vision.

The response to our request for support was fantastic and I thank each and every one of you.

In February the extension was opened, it was a wonderful occasion but more importantly, the renovations are a success. It is really rewarding when clients, who haven't been in for a long time enter the new premises. They are just gobsmacked by the transformation and are just so appreciative of the fact that we have done all this work to make a nicer environment for them.

We have introduced some new programs. We are now managing YouthCARE Canberra, a program dedicated to helping young people aged twelve to twenty five who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. I have to say that this is a magnificent program. We have had a few problems bedding the program down but I think we are now there, and I think that YCC and SJC are going to provide a very special service to "at risk Young Canberrans".

We have also formed a partnership with Companion House, so that we can better serve the refugees and Asylum Seekers in our city.

We have also introduced a computer facility, so that clients can have internet access with Centrelink and other organisations. Today Drashna, the new Assistant Director, was able to help a young man set up an internet account so he can start an online course of study.

This year we are going to work on our current programs and make sure that they are the best we can do for our many, many friends who need our support. We did well last year and we will do even better this year. We don't preach Christianity, we just show God's love.

My wish list for this week: Vegemite, Shampoo, and laundry detergent.

I am off on holidays for a few weeks, so take care.

Many Thanks, Sue Jordan



PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- Pray for peacemakers struggling against impossible odds to negotiate an end to the violence in Gaza, to the tensions between Russia and Ukraine, and to war in Syria and Iraq, that their efforts will bear fruit. Pray that they will never lose hope.

IN AUSTRALIA

- Pray for the integrity of the Australian political system and our politicians, and for the work of ICAC and other bodies that seek to eliminate corruption.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- ♦ We pray for the Church in South India and the Episcopal Church in Florida USA.
- ♦ In the Australian Church we pray for the Dioceses of Newcastle and North Queensland.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- ♦ We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Queanbeyan, St. Stephen's Kambah and St. Matthew's Wanniasa,
- We pray for Anglicare Children's Services and for the staff at The Bargain Hunter in Queanbeyan and other Anglicare recycling outlets.

MISSION

- ♦ We pray for the work of Amnesty International working to defend human rights around the world.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ♦ We pray for the activities in the parish this week, particularly the Parish Council meeting.
- ♦ We pray for Susanna and Anne attending the clergy retreat this week.
- ♦ We pray for the following members of our parish family - Katherine Rainger; Anne Ranse; Clive Rodger; Russell Rollason, Tracey Matthews and Bella; Luc and Sylvie Rose and Maxine Rose.
- ♦ We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman and Sue Dunbar.

COMMEMORATIONS

Tuesday: Ian Main (died 2004)

Wednesday: Bernard of Clairvaux, abbot and teacher (died 1153)



HOLY COVENANT PRAYER VINE

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Phone Merri Bacon on 6251 1110 or email merri.bacon@bigpond.com



Dignity for Children - Visiting Delegation - Billets Needed

A delegation from Dignity for Children in Malaysia are visiting us from 30 August to 1 Sept. They run volunteer schools for refugee children in Malaysia and will be coming to Holy Covenant to share and learn about our Godly Play program. They will also participate with Sarah in the **Deep Dive seminar on 31 August, on the theme Transforming Unjust**

Structures.

I can billet the family of 4 at my house but there are another 3 women requiring accommodation, so if anyone can offer to billet one of these women - that would be great. **Please contact Deranie (0408443709).**

WHAT? Bible Study Group using a James Alison study

DATES: Sunday 24 August to Sunday 21 September (5 weeks and finish for school holidays)

TIME: 5pm, Sundays. We expect to finish ~7.30pm most weeks.

WHERE: 30 Northmore Cres Higgins

WHO: Parents and families with children are the target group, but anyone is welcome (just expect noise!)

WHAT TO BRING: yourself (PJs for your kids if you wish) and a pot luck plate to share for dinner - please let me know any foods to avoid. We plan on keeping it simple. The study book may be \$20 but we can help if cost is an issue.

CONTACT: deranie@hotmail.com (or find myself or Penny King who organised last term, at a 10am service)



SUSANNA'S COMINGS AND GOINGS

Susanna is on leave until 14th August having a rest. She is then preaching at St James' King St in Sydney on 17 August. Susanna and Anne Ranse will be attending the Clergy Retreat at Galong, 18-21 August. Susanna is then going to her classes for her Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision, 22-23 August. She will be presiding at Holy Covenant on 24 August!!! Please pray for Susanna and Anne. - Susanna

IN THE PARISH

COVENANT CARE AT HOLY COVENANT (CC@HC)

I visited Covenant Care last Monday arriving just as they were tucking into a rather excellent baked dinner. There was Tobias holding court with Barry and Roger, Marjorie was deep in conversation with Eileen while Nicholas and Anh were serving up lunch. Then it was knives and forks to work and the noise level suddenly went down.



Looking around the assembled throng I was reminded of what a valuable ministry the Parish was providing, not only for the clients but also for their carers. And not to mention the volunteers who really enjoy and are uplifted by the interaction the day provides. Some interesting conversations are had during the day and on the drives to and from.

During the afternoon there was time to chat, listen to music and write on a card for an absent client, but I wonder what I missed out on during the morning. Was it Tai Chi, would have been good for my sore arm. Or was it the fellow who comes to sing all the old favourites. Maybe it was the harpist or one of those quizzes that our Activities Officer, Thelma, brings out from time to time. Actually, I think I missed one of Anne's chapel services, which always meets a need. Mornings are very varied and very busy.

This week we had four new volunteers joining us and adding a new dimension to our caring as they bring their particular skills and interests with them.

- Rod Menzies

PS: Lots of photos on the parish picture board!

Reflection on Matthew 2

Last semester as part of my Master of Theology and in response to one of the Godly Play stories and to the treatment of asylum seekers in Australia I wrote an extended essay on Matthew 2. This passage contains the story of Jesus being hunted by King Herod, the visit from the Magi, the massacre of children in Bethlehem and the holy family seeking refuge in Egypt. I have placed 5 copies of it at the back of the church for people to borrow and return. If you would like a copy emailed to you let me know. I offer it as my contribution to the conversation that many of us at Holy Covenant are having about a compassionate and just response to asylum seekers and refugees. - *Katherine Rainger*



Mohamed Bamba Mansaray - 2 weeks old.

The Mansaray family send their heartfelt thanks for the many wonderful gifts they have received from our people for baby Mohammed. He would thank you too if he could!

IN THE PARISH



Last year Heather came over from Kangara Waters to play scrabble. She is in a wheelchair and does not have the use of her limbs, but her mind is active. She is in her 50s and living with older residents. Heather loves scrabble.

Circumstances intervened and we lost touch with her, but contact has been renewed. However, now we would like to go and play scrabble with her in Kangara Waters. Can you help please?

Heather is a delightful person with a lovely smile, has a sense of humour and a good mind waiting to be exercised. We would like to set up a team (maybe 8) to go in, two each week to play. She beamed “I can’t believe you will do this for me. It’s wonderful.”

Can you spare an hour or so on a Tuesday or Thursday afternoon (2.00 pm) to play? Hopefully there will be a roster so we have one turn a month. Of course if a weekend day suits you – we can organise it.

There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church and for any enquiries please contact Gill Painter on 6253 1058. And there is a sign-up sheet on the board

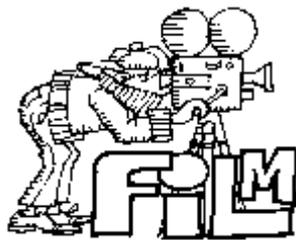
Film and Theology Night, 29 August, 6.00pm The Lemon Tree

We'll be watching and then discussing the 2008 Israeli film

The Lemon Tree (rated PG).

Widow and empty nester Salma Zidane lives on the Palestinian West Bank, in a little house flanked by lemon trees planted by her great grand parents. Unfortunately, when the Israeli minister of defence builds a house adjacent to her own, her lemon trees are deemed a security risk. The film, based on a true story, describes her legal efforts to stop the destruction of her lemon trees.

All welcome. BYO dinner to share.



Film Evening for all ages: *The Lorax*

- ✦ This film is based on the book by Dr Seuss, adapted by Universal Studios.
- ✦ It shows how just one person can make a big difference.

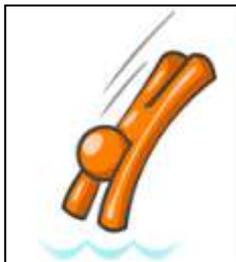
Friday 5 September 2014, in the Worship Centre, from 6.30pm with the film beginning at 7pm (film finishes about 8.30pm)

Light refreshments (tea/coffee, fruit loaf etc) available before (from 6.30 pm) and after (till 9.30 pm).



IN THE PARISH

DEEP DIVE - SUNDAY 31 AUGUST 11.45AM TRANSFORMING UNJUST STRUCTURES



What difference does faith make to the work of justice in the world?

Earlier this year, as a member of the Anglican Communion delegation, Sarah attended the UN Commission on the Status of Women meeting in New York. In this Deep Dive seminar she will reflect on what contribution faith and faith-based communities can make to the 'transformation' of unjust structures and practices. She will be joined by Petrina Shee and the Red. Elisha Satvinder of the Dignity for Children Foundation in Malaysia, who will share about their work in 'transforming the poor through education'.

The seminar will be followed by a shared lunch (bring a plate), and the opportunity for further conversation.



CYCLE FOR KIDS IN CAMBODIA

Thank you Holy Covenant for your support and encouragement! What started off as something that seemed like a good idea at the time is starting to take shape. I watched a documentary on

Cambodia made by Sabour Bradley in the ABC "Head First" series (it may still be on Iview) which went undercover to look at the 'business' of orphanages in Cambodia and the way Australian tourists are unknowingly making the situation worse. UNICEF received positive coverage as one of the leaders in child protection advocacy in Cambodia.

I'm proud to be fundraising for UNICEF Australia and watching the documentary made my adventure all the more real. UNICEF's 'Keeping Children in Families' project aims to reunite families and minimise the number of children admitted to residential care though providing access to education and support.

Many of you have been asking how my training has been going. I'm pleased to report that it has been happening. Only one accident so far and that occurred when my bike was stationary! My bike fell on me as I was unlocking it and my shopping in the basket spilled everywhere! No serious physical or emotional injury was sustained!

The next fundraiser is on Friday October 24th at 7pm.

I'm also planning some Holy Covenant bike rides and picnics in Term 4.
- Katherine Rainger

TIME TO CLEAN OUT THE GARAGE!

NB: CHANGE OF DATE

On Sunday 7 **SEPTEMBER** we will be holding a stall at Jamison Trash 'n' Treasure. If you have any items for sale you would like to donate, or would like to help on the day, please contact Peter Sherman

sherman@grapevine.com.au,

mobile: 0412623120 and deliver to Rainbow Centre on Saturday 6 **September**, or to the stall very early Sunday 7 **September**

New Musical Setting for the 10.00am Communion Service

In the coming weeks, it is planned to trial a new musical setting (Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, Acclamations and Agnus Dei) for the 10.00 am Communion Service.

If you would like to join the choir for a special service on Sunday 7 September, or if you have any queries, please talk to David Quinlan at church or contact him on 6255 4445 or dat.quinlan@iinet.net.au.

A LONG SHOT. . .

Deluxe B&B, Sat 11 Oct 14, Hilton Hotel, Kuala Lumpur—available. If you're interested in a luxury night away for the cost of a donation to the parish, please contact Peter Sherman - 0412 623120

sherman@grapevine.com.au

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- **Suicide Prevention Seminar**
20 August, Queanbeyan
- **Calvary Hospital Auxiliary**
Fashion Parade, 30 August.
- **North Iraq Crisis Appeal.**
Supported by the Australian Primate and the Archbishop of Canterbury.
- **Letter from Bishop Robinson** to the Prime Minister about the situation in Gaza.



Youth and Children Matters

Saturday 23rd August,
6pm-9pm
Rainbow Centre.

'How to Host a Murder' dinner. \$10.
See Katherine for your character.

Friday 5th September,
6.30 pm Worship Centre. Family
Movie night, "The Lorax" hosted by
the Environmental Footprint team.

Sunday 21st September
10 am Family Service.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday: Maurice Nevile, Trevor Lawrence
Tuesday: Louisa Trigge

If you'd like your name in the birthday book,
please tell Phyl.

phylandreg@optusnet.com.au

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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 24 AUGUST 2014

8.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION Celebrant: Revd Dr Sarah Bachelard Preacher: Revd Susanna Pain
10.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION Celebrant: Revd Dr Sarah Bachelard Preacher: Revd Susanna Pain

TODAY

SENTENCE: Thus says the Lord, 'Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.' *Isaiah 56:1*

READINGS:

Genesis 45: 1-15
 Psalm 133
 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
 Matthew 15: 21-28



8 am HYMNS

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PRAYER

God of freedom,
 you have broken the tyranny of sin and
 sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts:
 give us grace to dedicate our freedom to
 your service,
 that all people may know the glorious
 liberty of the children of God;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the
 Holy Spirit one God, now and for ever..

AMEN



	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Carol and Peter Sherman	Merri Bacon, Anne Dudzinski
Readers	Kath Arthur Robert Arthur Anne Ranse	George Gerrity Jayne Murray Tracey Matthews
Intercessor	Merrie Hepworth	Bruce Barnes
Organist	Kath Arthur	Ruth Dunnicliff-Hagan
Word and Prayer	Steve Daniels	Joh Sheehan
Deacon	Anne Ranse	
Cup	Anne Ranse, Steve Daniels	Tracey Matthews, George Gerrity, Gwen Hallows, Phyl Holmes
Morning Tea	Ann Menzies, Carol Sherman	Merri Bacon, Youth Group
Children's Church		Christine Mitchell, Anne Lange, Susan-Joy Nevile David Quinlan, M. Tea: Phyl Holmes