

HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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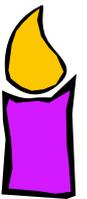
CHRIST THE KING



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.



TODAY IN THE PARISH

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant and Preacher: Revd Sarah Gibson

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Please join us for morning tea after the Services

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 24.11.14	9.am-3.pm	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 25.11.14	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation and BYO Lunch Eco-Footprint Group
Wednesday 26.11.14	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 27.11.14	9.30 am 6.00- 6.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Chapel	Scrabble Meditation
Friday 28.11.14	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
Saturday 29.11.14	3.00 pm 4.45 pm 6.00 pm	Tilley's Café Lyneham Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Women's Afternoon Tea Choir Practice Benedictus Contemplative Church

WEEK BEGINNING 30 November 2014

Monday 01.12.14	9.am-3.pm	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 02.12.14	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre 3 Tilden Place, Cook	Meditation and BYO Lunch Belonging and Caring
Wednesday 03.12.14	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 04.12.14	9.30 am 2.00 pm 6.00-6.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre Chapel	Scrabble Book Club Meditation
Friday 05.12.14	10.00 am 10.30am	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Playgroup Monasteries of the Heart
Saturday 06.12.14	4.45 pm 6.00 pm	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Choir Practice Benedictus Contemplative Church

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

REFLECTION - SARAH BACHELARD

Today we celebrate the feast of Christ the King, also known as The Reign of Christ. And although it's a relatively modern feast day – instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 – it draws on a much longer understanding of Jesus as the 'true' king of Israel, Jesus as 'Lord'. Except that this way of speaking about Jesus is, and has always been, profoundly paradoxical. For the 'kingship' of Jesus is not like the kingship of this world. It is power exercised in weakness, a reign established by seeming failure. The paradox of the 'kingship' of Jesus is emphasised in today's gospel reading, where Jesus teaches that when the Son of Man comes in glory and sits on his throne, he will be identified completely with those who seem least glorious and least monarchical – the hungry and thirsty, those who don't belong, and those who are naked, sick and imprisoned.

The same paradoxical kingship of Christ is captured in a beautiful poem by Ephrem of Edessa, the fourth century Syrian hymn writer and teacher, called 'From God Christ's Deity Came Forth'. And since today we mark also the last Sunday of the church's year, the way this poem recapitulates the whole of Christ's meaning, his life and teaching seems an appropriate note on which to complete our liturgical cycle!

From God Christ's deity came forth,
his manhood from humanity;
his priesthood from Melchizedek,
his royalty from David's tree:
praised be his Oneness.

He joined with guests at wedding feast,
yet in the wilderness did fast;
he taught within the temple's gates;
his people saw him die at last:
praised be his teaching.

The dissolute he did not scorn,
nor turn from those who were in sin;
he for the righteous did rejoice
but bade the fallen to come in:
praised be his mercy.

He did not disregard the sick;
to simple ones his word was given;
and he descended to the earth
and, his work done, went up to heaven:
praised be his coming.

Who then, my Lord, compares to you?
The Watcher slept, the Great was small,
the Pure baptized, the Life who died,
the King abased to honour all:
praised be your glory.

*Ephrem of Edessa, translated by John
Howard Rhys, adapted and altered by F
Bland Tucker, (Episcopal) Hymnbook 1982.*



Last week I received an anonymous donation of \$50.00. I was thrilled to receive it, actually I am always thrilled to receive any donation, but it was not totally anonymous. The card read "thanks SJC the job is working out, I am getting back on my feet, thank you for all your support" so I knew exactly who it was from. I will call him Harry.

For about twelve months, up until June this year we were supporting a homeless fellow. Harry did not fit the normal profile of a Homeless Person. What a stupid statement - there is no normal profile for a Homeless Person, so many are women, lots of them are under twenty, either Couch Surfing or sleeping rough. Our client had been an Assistant Director in one of our larger Government Departments. He is probably about fifty and at the same time he was made redundant, his marriage of twenty plus years also failed, a double whammy. He was lucky as he still had his car to live in, but he certainly found it difficult. He was granted Newstart Allowance but he found it difficult to survive on when he had been on such a good salary whilst employed.

He first came to St John's Care to see if he could get help with his mobile telephone and internet account. Thankfully he was with Telstra. Telstra have the Telstra Bill Assistance Program (TBAP) which gives vouchers to some Welfare Agencies, so that we can help our clients who are experiencing financial difficulties and are unable to pay their Telstra Bill. It is a really good system and it is important to be able to help clients stay connected, especially those who have school aged children who need to use the Internet for their homework.

Harry needed his internet and mobile phone so that he could apply for jobs, send his CV off and make appointments for interviews. Without it he would be stranded. The phone and data package he was a contract he had taken out when he was in the paid workforce. There was no way that he could afford it on Newstart, but he needed it. SJC happily used some of our TBAP vouchers to pay the first month to keep him connected. Then he needed another months connection, so we used some more of our vouchers. Harry was applying for lots of jobs, would often get to interview stage but just did not get the position. Each time he came and saw us he was more depressed.

We bent the Telstra Guidelines a little and supported him for many months. In June he came back to SJC with the biggest smile on his face. He had found himself a good job in Sydney. He had just come in to say 'thank you' and said that as soon as he was on his feet he would support us, and he did.

My wish list for this week: Toothbrushes for adults and children, tins of fruit, and long life ful cream milk.

**Many Thanks
Sue Jordan**



PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- We pray for the 35 million people around the world trapped in modern slavery, and pray for the countries and organisations working to end it.

IN AUSTRALIA

- We pray for those parts of Australia still in drought as they approach another hot summer.
- We pray for continued pressure to be applied to the Government to tackle climate change.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- We pray for the Church in Spain, Rupert's Lane, Canada.
- In the Australian Church we pray for the bishops, clergy and people of the dioceses of Sydney, Tasmania and The Murray

IN OUR DIOCESE

- We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of St. John's Wagga, St. Paul's Turvey Park and St. Alban's Koorringal.
- We pray for the Riverina Juvenile Justice Centre; Ashmont Community Resources Centre and the Forrest Centre, Wagga.

MISSION

- We pray for the work of Amnesty International Australia working on a wide range of issues to protect and defend human rights,

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- We pray for Tracey Matthews conducting Services at Kangara Waters and Calvary Retirement Villages tomorrow.
- We pray for the students taking exams at the moment.
- We pray for the Clergy Appointment Board as they seek the way forward.
- We pray for the following members of our parish family - Jo Clay, Robert Dunne and Zandra; Joyce Cole; Jen Collier, Sam and Janice Colman, Ursula Conan-Davies and Brian and Kerin Cox.
- We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Sandra Button, Anne Dudzinski.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Tuesday: James Noble pioneer Aboriginal deacon (d. 1941)



HOLY COVENANT PRAYER VINE

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

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

**DEEP DIVE,
NEXT SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30, 11.45AM
The Mystery of Christmas:
The Birth of Jesus & the Nature of Incarnation**



Join us for our final Deep Dive for 2014 with Katherine Rainger our Youth and Children's Worker .

Advent is here and the 'to-do' list is becoming overwhelming! Amongst the fun, festivity and frenetic activity we seek to welcome the Christ-child. This seminar will provide insight and inspiration as we 'get ready' to encounter him in unexpected ways. For whilst this child was long-awaited, his birth is also full of surprises and challenges the status quo. This seminar will draw upon the Gospels of Luke and Matthew and their use of Jewish scripture, *Godly Play* stories and my experience in Bethlehem being immersed in Palestinian Liberation Theology. The journeys of the shepherds, the magi and the Holy Family reveal much about the world of Jesus and plight of many in our world today.

Katherine has just completed a Master of Theology and she has a passion for biblical studies, issues of justice, theological conversations and Christian formation. Her major work in her Masters was inspired by the *Godly Play* story, 'The Mystery of Christmas'.



**WOMEN'S AFTERNOON TEA
NEXT SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2014
3PM AT TILLEY'S CAFÉ, LYNEHAM**
Come and catch up before the mad season sets in and bring a friend.
There is a sign-up sheet on the board.

**PRAYER VINE MEETING
NEXT SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2.30-4pm
Rainbow Centre**



If this is a ministry you would like to be involved in, please feel free to join us. Sarah will lead us for the afternoon and we will pray for the needs of the parish. We will also consider facilitating a time for prayer for the parish each month during the parish transition Period. If you have any ideas and would like to contribute to this please let Sarah know.

IN THE PARISH



Christmas Community Lunch @ Holy Covenant Thursday 4 December 11.30 for 12 noon

We are inviting you to our Christmas Community Lunch. Please invite any others in our community, especially those who may feel

isolated and who may appreciate a nice lunch, some fellowship and some Christmas carols. The cost is \$5.00.

Please use the **sign-up sheet in the church for catering purposes** or contact Helen Boulton on 6251 2078 or hhboulton@gmail.com

For Pewsheet:



ST JOHN'S CARE NEEDS US

They are running low on groceries.

To help them out, we are having a collection of groceries for St John's Care at Jamison Plaza on **Saturday 13 December** from **9 am to 1 pm**, together with a cake stall to raise funds for Holy Covenant. This event will make a very welcome contribution of food and groceries to St John's Care. It also raises valuable funds and community awareness for us.

Volunteers are needed to provide shoppers with a list of products as they enter Coles and Aldi and to stock and operate our stall. If you can help with either or both of these activities, **please put your name on the sign-up sheet on the notice board.**

Any enquiries, contact Harris Boulton (6251 2078 or hhboulton@gmail.com)

NOMINATIONS FOR WARDENS AND PARISH COUNCILLORS.

Forms for the above positions and their responsibilities are available from the table near the Font. Please consider carefully if you are called to this Service or if you would like to nominate someone.

Completed forms can be placed in the box next to the forms or delivered to the office by **30 November.**



CAMP PELICAN - SUMMER 2015

Years 5 & 6: 11 to 16 January 2015. Manna Park Merimbula. .

Years 7 & 8: 11 to 16 January 2015, Wambiri Campsite, Tathra.

Years 9 & 10: 4 to 9 January 2015, Wambiri Campsite, Tathra.

Years 11 & 12: 4 to 9 January 2015, Manna Campsite, Tathra.

All camps cost \$330 which covers camp and transport from Canberra.

For more info: www.synergyyc.net/camps

Karina Harris and Dylan Mordike - from our 10am congregation, are directing the year 9/10 camp. Please pray for them as they gather the Leadership team and make preparations.

'Cycle for Kids' Cambodia 2015

In February I'm cycling 400km in Cambodia to raise money for UNICEF Australia. What a journey I have had so far and I haven't even left the county! Training is well underway and I'm becoming acquainted with the world of biking with everything from flat tyres to padded bike shorts! I enjoyed riding my bike to Arawang Primary in Weston Creek for the first time on 'Ride to School' day. One of my students asked me, "Did it feel good to ride your bike?" Even with the falls, the flats and the fatigue - I'd have to say that, yes it does feel good to be riding! To use my car less, to see more of beautiful Canberra and to join in the commuter bike ride banter each day have been unexpected bonuses in this whole adventure. So far I've raised \$5 300 for UNICEF to enable them to continue their work in reuniting families and keeping kids out of institutional care in Cambodia. On Wednesday I went to Sydney to meet my other teammates who I'll be riding with and to get some more information. Thanks to all from Holy Covenant who have supported me.



Holy Covenant Community Cycle

Sunday 30th November 3pm. Location and route TBA. We'll go for a bike ride together and stop for an icecream somewhere (feel free to just meet us for the icecream) BYO bike and helmet. See Katherine Rainger for more details. Her contacts are on p11 of this bulletin.

FROM LAST WEEK'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

- A heartfelt 'Thank you' to all of the hard working people (you know who you are) who so selflessly give their time to the monthly Working Bee!
- The recent Mini Fete was a great success and raised almost \$3000. Woohoo! Another heartfelt 'Thank you' to everyone who gave their products and goods for sale on the day and to those who gave their time to run the stalls and the kitchen and the BBQ.
- The Mini Fete together with a hoped-for boost from the Jamison Christmas stall could take our fundraising to almost \$18,000 compared with \$12,400 last year.
- Total offertories for 10 months (83.3%) of the year are almost \$192,000 which is 80.4% of our budget. In October 2013 and 2012 offertories for the same period as a percentage of the eventual total were 81.0 % and 81.6 % respectively.

Would you like to help at an Evacuation Centre or with outreach door knocking after a flood or fire? Become an accredited Disaster Recovery volunteer with Anglicare. Register now for the next ACER workshop at St James' Church Holt on Sat 29 November. RSVP to Rachael at Anglicare on 6278 8400. RSVP date has now been extended to 24 November. **Register now so you don't miss out.**

CLASSIFIEDS

- I am looking for accommodation that is close to a good bus line and affordable. Can be a share situation. Andrew Richey. 0420 529393 arrichey@outlook.com
- The Quinlan family have come to the sad realisation that their beloved 14 year old cat Fluff would enjoy his twilight years better in a new home, preferably without dogs or small children. If you know of anyone who would be interested in Fluff's company, please let Anna or David know on 62554445 or dat.quinlan@iinet.net.au.
- Tracey, Russell and Bella are looking for someone to mind their very cute 'cavoodle' dog called Bailey. If you like dogs and would be willing to have him stay at your place from **24-29 December** this may be for you. Bailey is used to being inside and loves company. The lucky person will receive a Christmas gift of \$150 for looking after him. Contact Tracey on 0415 804 035 if you are interested.

AND . . .



ANGLICARE CHRISTMAS CARDS. there are still plenty of cards left. They are in a box on the back table and payment is via the honesty box.

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- **Anglican Community Emergency Response**, training course. 29 November, St. James' Holt.

CLEANER WANTED!

Monday afternoons for the Covenant Care Day Hospice—from about 4pm for an hour. The job entails tidying the kitchen and mopping the floors, cleaning toilets and some vacuuming. Remuneration available.

If you are interested please contact:

Anne Ranse - 0439 139209 nurse@holycovenant.org.au

or Rod Menzies - 0429 098762 ming@homeemail.com.au

LOST Canon digital camera in blade soft cover. I last had it, taking photos at Susanna and Nikolai's farewell. *Judith Ann Daniells*

If you've seen it please contact the office.

Bank Details for Direct Debit are:

Bank: Commonwealth Bank
Branch: Jamison Centre, ACT
BSB: 062 907
A/C No: 802 588
Name: Holy Covenant Anglican Church



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today: **Ruth Durie, Melinda Browning**; Tuesday: **Jeremy Platt**;
Wednesday: **Lexie Winders, Lucy Thorpe**;
Saturday: **Margaret Meggs**

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 – 30 NOVEMBER 2014

8.00 am

HOLY COMMUNION

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SENTENCE: O shout to the Lord, in triumph all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of Joy.

Psalm 100.1

READINGS:

Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24

Psalm 100

Ephesians 1: 15-23

Matthew 25: 31-46



8 am HYMNS

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PRAYER

God of strange reversals and healing mysteries, we thank you for giving us a Divine King who has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows.

Enable us, when we are confronted by the vulnerability and suffering of others, to make those choices that will conform us to your generous love, and thereby create small colonies of heaven where you are truly worshipped and glorified.

For your name's sake. **AMEN**

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	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Jennifer Collier, Tony Willis	Merri Bacon, Reg Holmes
Readers	Jennifer Collier, Ted Lilley Anne Ranse	Doreen Matters James Ellis Susan Joy Nevile
Intercessor	Anne McDowell	Tracey Matthews
Organist	Shirley Campbell	Ruth Dunnicliff-Hagan
Word and Prayer	Chris Lewis	Joh Sheehan
Deacon	Anne Ranse	Susan Joy Nevile
Cup	Chris Lewis, Anne Ranse	Susan Joy Nevile, Doreen Matters, Tracey Matthews, George Gerrity. Extra Cup: Richard Browning
Morning Tea	Heather and Paul Shelley	Helen Boulton, Dorothy Hurst
Children's Church	12	Catherine, Katherine, M. Tea; Phyl Holmes