

HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

25 JANUARY 2015

**Third Sunday
After Epiphany**



From now on you shall be
catching men

TODAY IN THE PARISH

9.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**

Celebrant and Preacher: Revd Anne Dudzinski



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

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 27.01.15	12.30 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation and BYO Lunch
Wednesday 28.01.15	2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 29.01.15	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
Saturday 31.01.15	4.45 pm	Rainbow Centre	Choir Practice

WEEK BEGINNING 1 FEBRUARY 2015

Monday 02.02.15	9.am-3.pm	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 03.02.15	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation and BYO Lunch Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 04.02.15	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 05.02.15	9.30 am 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Scrabble Book Club EfM Information evening
Friday 06.02.15	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
Saturday 07.02.15	4.45 pm 6.00 pm	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Choir Practice Benedictus Contemplative Church



**DON'T FORGET - TWO SERVICES
NEXT SUNDAY - 1 FEBRUARY**

**8.00 am - Holy communion
10.00 am - Holy Communion**

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

COMMUNITY AS A SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE

I used to think that “spiritual disciplines” were mostly to do with private practices like prayer, reading Scripture, confession and so on. But I have come to see that being in community is a spiritual discipline.

Congregational community life is one of the greatest gifts the church has to offer in a society where people are fragmented between many different communities. And it is also one of the most costly gifts, a work of faith and love that requires grace and tenacity.

To be in community (congregation) that gathers around Word and Sacraments is to find ourselves in the company of people we may not ordinarily choose to spend time with: people who may not reinforce our opinions or share our theology; people who may annoy and frustrate us; people who, with the best intentions, often get things terribly wrong, and hurt and disillusion us, as we do them. We are created for community.

When Jesus called the first disciples to follow him he made it clear that companionship was part of this call. So we might well conclude that the life-long process of learning how to be good companions – of Jesus, each other and our neighbourhood community – is part of the call to discipleship.

Sociologists have coined various terms to describe community formation, but all seem to agree that chaos and conflict are not necessarily bad things. They can in reality be a stage of formation in which the usual veneer of politeness gives way to a greater honesty and the potential to become more authentically community. And they may help us to be open to the new ways in which we are invited to be church in our time.

So, with the help and the grace of God – let’s commit to another year of community.

- *Ann Siddall. Ann is a Facilitator in Spirituality based
In South Australia.*



EfM Information Evening - Thursday 5 February 7:30pm

This meeting is for anyone who is interested in being part of the new Education for Ministry (EfM) group which is being formed in the parish.

EfM is a program of theological study and reflection in a group learning community. Your mentors will be Nich Hills from Christ Church Hawker and Merri Bacon from Holy Covenant. Come along for a taste of what EfM is like and to register for the program. If you'd like any further information pick up the blue flier at the back of the church or speak to Merri or give her a call on 6251 1110.

FROM ST JOHN'S CARE



This week I have seen the worst and the best of the Canberra Community and I am so proud of St John's Church. Over the past six months, St John's Care

have been supporting two Homeless guys and their very very large hound. The Parish has been extremely tolerant allowing them to keep their vehicle in the car park. During winter it was home for Ron, Matt and this very big dog. As the weather warmed, the two guys and their very big dog (it is very close to being a pony) have set up a camp somewhere nearby which is safe and comfortable for them.

At this stage of the year, the car is used for storage. They sleep elsewhere but store their sleeping gear in the car during the day. SJC has been helping them submit their application to ACT Housing and providing hot drinks and a bit of tucker from time to time, including dog food. These guys were homeless but self-sufficient.

Unfortunately on Friday night their car, a 1994 Toyota Camry was broken into, the windscreen was smashed and the car was trashed. All their gear was strewn around the car park and the car was a right off. The car was worth nothing but it was theirs, their home. The Police were called and did their magic stuff but I guess the perpetrators of this random violence will never be found.

I just can't understand why the local thugs pick on strugglers. It was an old car, it obviously didn't belong to someone who was well off. Ron and Matt have now lost their few meagre possessions and their Winter Home. The car was a wright off after the attack, so I contacted one of the Wreckers and they have picked up the car and have paid the boys \$100, which is probably what it was worth, but to Ron and Matt it was worth so much more.

That was the worst - The best - the Reverend Paul organised a retiring collection for Ron and Matt after the services on Sunday. Thank you for being so generous, they have never seen so much money and are gobsmacked by the support. Ron said to me today that he has never felt so loved and supported.

Christianity- so important to me, I learnt it by osmosis from my parents, - it is such a great thing.

Thank you for your support.

My wish list for this week: Pasta Sauce, Shampoo and school supplies

**Sue Jordan,
Director**



PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- Pray for creative responses to terrorism and threat, so other than meeting violence with violence. Pray for an end to stereotyping and the reducing of human beings to mere stats and slogans. Pray for the triumph of hope over despair, and love over indifference.

IN AUSTRALIA

- On this Australia Day we give thanks for the early inhabitants of this great land and for the pioneers who worked to establish the country that we now enjoy.
- Pray that fear may never paralyse the mercy and compassion we share as disciples of the Lord of Life, that we are never blind to the Christ in every other human person and community. May we be calm when threatened, wise when challenged and meet hate with love, whatever shape it takes.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- We pray for the Church in Long Island, Los Angeles USA and Luapala Central Africa.
- In the Australian Church we pray for the bishops, clergy and people in the dioceses of Newcastle, North Queensland and North West Australia.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Eden, Bega and the Sapphire Coast.
- We pray for the Church's ministry in holiday resorts and Retirement Villages.

MISSION

- We pray for the work of the Bush Church Aid in Wickham, Karratha and Port Hedland, North West Australia.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- We pray for Anne and Vicky as they take on the leadership of the parish.
- We pray for the Clergy Appointment Board as they continue their work.
- We pray for all teachers and educators as they begin planning for the new year.
- We pray for the following members of our parish family - Celia and Alex Gutierrez; Peter and Jenny Hall; Roger and Gwen Hallows; Dawn Hardman and Hilary and Bob Harris.
- We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Sandra Button, Pat Bonnett, Glenys Wimmer and any known to us personally.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Wednesday: Thomas Aquinas, theologian.

Friday: Juliette Bowie (died 2002)

We welcome

The Revd Anne Dudzinski and the Revd Vicky Cullen today as Joint Locums.

Anne has been a member of Holy Covenant for many years, before and after Ministry in various parishes in the diocese and overseas. Anne will be working 4 days a week. Since retirement Vicky has been ministering at St. John's Reid and will be with us for 2 days a week. Thank you both for being prepared to lead us during this time of transition.

The Clergy Appointment Board met on 8 January and we can report that:

- We have a very good field of candidates for the position of rector at Holy Covenant.
 - We are finalising the shortlist.
 - We are setting the dates for the interviews.
- Paula Percival

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Tuesday 17 February (Shrove Tuesday)
Beginning at 6pm with a shared pancake meal.**

**There is a sign-up sheet on the board to indicate
your contribution to the meal**

Meeting begins at 7.30 pm

Team leaders are reminded that annual reports need to be sent to the office by **Tuesday 27 January 2015** please. so they can be photocopied and included in the AGM documents.



HOLY COVENANT
PRAYER VINE

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

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

IN THE PARISH



THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 28th: 6pm-9pm @ Katherine Rainger's House; Youth Leader's meeting.

Thursday 29th: 4pm-7pm @ Dickson Pool. Youth Group Social Event.

NEXT SUNDAY 1st February: Start up breakfast—8.30 am

We commence our youth and children's programs in the 10am service.

To celebrate this we will be gathering at 8.30am in the Rainbow Centre for breakfast. Come along & enjoy catching up with everyone after the holidays. Toast, juice & cereal provided. If you'd like to bring some baked goods or fruit to share that would be great

Saturday 28 February: Camp Pel reunion. 5-8pm **St. James' Anglican Church**, Beaufort Cres. Holt. \$5 for BBQ dinner and drink.

Camp Pelican

A big thank you to all the Directors and leaders from Holy Covenant who gave of themselves during Camp Pelican. Thanks also to those who prayed, cooked and donated money so that camp could be a wonderful time for so many campers. From all reports Camp Pelican was a spiritually rich, fun and full time for all involved. Thank you God!

Greetings from Laos

Katherine Rainger was on holiday in Vientiane, Laos and caught up with Elizabeth, Sa, Alissa and Layla from our 10am service. I went bearing gifts – Christmas presents from Sarah, Mary and Hannah Hoole and RID insect repellent which Elizabeth had requested! We had a great time at a café complete with kids play area and then had a sunset stroll along the Mekong River as the night market emerged.

Elizabeth has sent a message which is on the Parish Pics board with a photo —here is an extract:

'Thank you to everyone at Holy Covenant for making us feel so welcome over the past year or so. You made us feel really at home and we were thrilled to be part of such an active and caring community. But thank you for all your thoughts and well wishes. We are slowly settling into our new home in Laos, we now have cupboards, a stove and a fridge, so things are looking up! '

elizabethstgeorge@outlook.com

LENTEN PROGRAMME

Lent begins on Tuesday 17th February with our shared pancake meal and our AGM.

Ash Wednesday: Holy Communion at 12 noon and 6pm

INTEGRITY FOR LIVING—A RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

The retreat in daily life allows busy people the opportunity to focus on God in the middle of the everyday, inviting them to integrate prayer, faith and work. It offers a contemplative, creative space for reflecting on where our life is leading.



Participants will meet as a group on three Sunday afternoons and with a spiritual director about four times. Participation in the Chittister series is optional. For further information see separate flyer called '**Integrity for Living**' in the leaflet stand on the back wall.

When: Sunday, 3.30-5pm 22 Feb, 8 & 29 March in Worship Centre

Cost: \$200 payable by 15 February. .

**BOOK SERIES: *Scarred by Struggle, Transformed by Hope.*
Joan Chittister.**

When: Wednesday evenings 7.30-9pm 18 February—25 March

Friday mornings 10.30 am 20 February— 27 March.

Facilitators: Frances MacKay and Glenys Wimmer.

There is a sign-up sheet on the board.

THE JOHANNINE EPISTLES - Facilitated by Revd Dr John Painter.

When: Thursday evenings 7.30-9pm 19 February—21 March.

There is a sign-up sheet on the board.

OTHER BREATHING SPACE ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY:

Sunday 15 February: 11.45am Bishop George Browning: 'Sabbath and the Common Good: An Anglican Response to the Environmental **Crisis**'.

Saturday 21 February: Quiet Day—'**Come to the well**'

led by Susanna Pain. 9am—4pm. St. Mark's Theological Centre.
Details on notice board.

The full Breathing Space Programme for this semester is on the back table.



CONGRATULATIONS TO TRACEY MATTHEWS

on receiving the Victoria Gibbons Memorial Prize for the best emerging female leader in the Anglican Orders Programme. Tracey is currently completing a Master of Theology alongside the Advanced Diploma of Ministry and Theology at St. Mark's.

Tracey was also awarded the Beatrice Robinson Scholarship. She plans to use the \$10,000 scholarship fund to investigate various approaches to training formation and deployment of missional leaders in the United States, the United Kingdom and Australia.

Well done Tracey!!

From the Holistic Care Nurse:

One of our clients had been struggling for years with an issue of hoarding, a disabled son who was removed from her care until she could 'get her act together and clean up the house' a large yard in the housing property she lives in, two aging dogs needing vet care and on top of all of that has life threatening illnesses. A community agency asked if we could take her as a client and assist where possible.



Well, after two years of caring can I say this client has a new lease of life. Nicole (our EN) writes: 'Her son is back home with her permanently and she herself has had life giving surgery which we supported her through. Her general health is much improved and she is now able to pursue a hobby of motor sport with her son which is proving very successful. She is studying a community service course on line and working as a volunteer in a church office in her area.'

This client still needs lots of support, assistance and encouragement but we can only do so much. What we really need to help this client and others on our books is **VOLUNTEERS**. The HCN ministry is very short of volunteers which is limiting our activities and the progress of our clients. If you would like to know more or be involved in this life giving, unique ministry then please come to a meeting of the HCN program that is being held on **Thursday 12 February at 2pm** in the rainbow centre. We would love to see you there.

Anne Ranse. Holistic Care Nurse coordinator.

CAN YOU HELP?

A parishioner needs a lift to the 10am Service from Braddon. If you can help Andrew Richey would love to hear from you. He can be contacted on - 0420 929 393.

Nicole Kulesza, our HCN nurse is needing a new PC. If you've recently updated, she would be happy to relieve you of your old one. Her contact is 0432 431 485

The **Lost Property** basket is full again with a variety of miscellaneous items. Please check if any belong to you before they get thrown out.

On the back bookshelf: jams, cards,

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

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- ◆ 9 February. Hawker Men's Lunch Forum. Speaker: Alistair Coe MLA
- ◆ 21 February Quiet Day.
- ◆ Meditation on Mondays at St. Alban's Lyons.
- ◆ BCA Caravan, camping and motorhome weekend,



NO, I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT TWITTER.
I LITERALLY WANT YOU TO FOLLOW ME.

--JESUS



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Yesterday: **Andrew Dudzinski**; Today: **Elizabeth Grant and Paula Percival (ending with a 'O')**; Monday: **Alison Campbell**
Wednesday: **Imogen Allen**

If you'd like your name in the birthday book, please tell Phyl.
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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 1 February 2015

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
Preacher: Revd Anne Dudzinski
Celebrant: Revd Vicky Cullen

10.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
Preacher: Revd Anne Dudzinski
Celebrant: Revd Vicky Cullen

11.00 am **BUPA Nursing Home.**

4.00 pm **Rainbow Fellowship**



TODAY

SENTENCE:

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the Gospel.
Mark 1:15

READINGS:

Jonah 3: 1-10
Psalm 62: 5-12
1 Corinthians 7: 29-31
Mark 1: 14-20



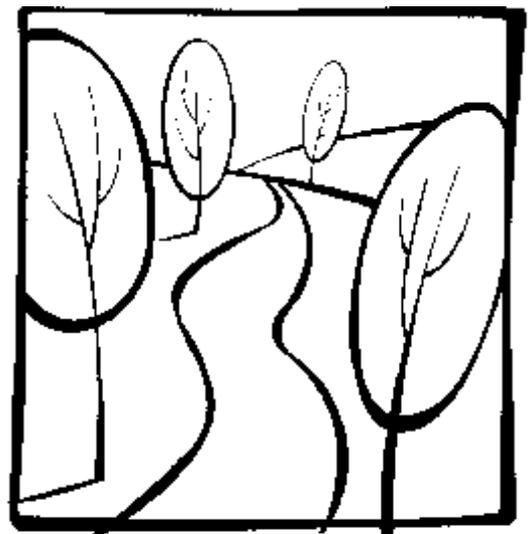
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PRAYER

Bountiful God,
through your Son you have called us to repent of
our sin, to believe the good news,
and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom:
teach us, like Christ's first apostles,
to hear the call to discipleship,
and forsaking old ways,
to proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken
world;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit
One God, now and for ever.

AMEN



Follow me.
Mark 1:17

	9.00 am
Sidespersons	Dorothy and Neville Hurst
Readers	Dorothy Hurst, Neville Hurst, Anne Ranse
Intercessor	James Ellis
Organist	Shirley Campbell
Word and Prayer	Steve Daniels
Deacon	Anne Ranse
Cup	Steve Daniels, Anne Ranse, Neville Hurst, James Ellis. Extra bread: Sarah Gibson
Morning Tea	Alison Campbell and Michael Allen
Children's Church	On holidays. ¹²