



HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

29 MARCH 2015

PALM SUNDAY



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

8.00am

HOLY COMMUNION

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Please join us for morning tea after the services

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH—HOLY WEEK

Monday 30.03.15	9.00am-3.00pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre	Covenant Care Holy Communion
Tuesday 31.03.14	12.30 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre	Meditation and BYO lunch Holy Communion
Wednesday 01.04.15	12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Worship Centre	Holy Communion and BYO lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Holy Communion
Thursday 02.04.15	9.30 am 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Scrabble Holy Communion
GOOD FRIDAY	8.00 am 10.00 am	Worship Centre Worship Centre	Good Friday Service Good Friday Service
Saturday 04.04.15	4.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre	Children's Easter Service Benedictus Contemplative Service
EASTER DAY	6.00 am 9.20 am	Worship Centre Worship Centre	Lighting of the New Fire Choir Practice

WEEK BEGINNING 5 April 2015

Monday 06.04.15	PUBLIC	HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 07.04.15	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation and BYO lunch Belonging and Caring Meeting
Wednesday 08.04.15	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 09.04.15	9.30 am 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Scrabble Induction of the Venerable Paul Wallis
Friday 10.04.15	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Rainbow Playgroup
Saturday 11.04.15	6.00 pm	Worship Centre	Benedictus Contemplative Church
Sunday 12.04.15	9.20 am 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Worship Centre	Choir Practice Kaleidoscope quiet day for children Taize Service

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Mark 14-15:27 - Love, Not Atonement

Tracey Matthews

Last week we heard Jesus speaking about his impending death and this week it hits us head on. On this 'Palm' or 'Passion' Sunday, we rehearse the narrative about Jesus death from Mark's gospel. So much is covered in this reading; the plot to kill Jesus, his anointing with oil, the last supper, the betrayal, rejection, and the crucifixion. With so much going on, I wondered what I should write about this week. After some reflection a question kept coming into my mind. When someone asks why Jesus died on the cross, what do you say? I think it's a question most like to avoid because our simple answers don't seem to cut it anymore.

Since the 3rd century, there have been a range of scholarly interpretations (known as 'atonement theories') that seek to make sense of Jesus death on the cross. The one that has been given most prominence is called 'substitutionary atonement theory' and was made famous by Anselm in the 11th century. In basic terms, it suggests that God had to sacrifice his son Jesus in order to atone for sinful humanity. We've all heard this, because it is the one most commonly taught - even to children! It's not surprising that most children find this explanation disturbing and confusing. It sounds pretty nasty and seems to contradict all they are taught about our loving and merciful God. I think the same goes for adults, which is probably why the Church is full on Easter Sunday but sparse on Good Friday.

We need to understand the cross not through the lens of atonement, but God's unconditional love. Through his self-giving on the cross, Jesus exposed the violence and darkness within us all. This did away with the prevailing notions of human and animal sacrifice and replaced them with God's economy of grace. As Richard Rohr says, "Jesus was meant to be a game changer for the human psyche and for religion itself". Most people couldn't accept his revolutionary message, but those who did went on to build a movement that you and I are part of today. So if someone asks you why Jesus died on the cross, don't avoid the darkness of Good Friday. Tell them the whole story, because it's a message about love and redemption that our world desperately needs to hear.

People say that walking on water is a miracle, but to me, walking peacefully on the earth is the real miracle. *How will we walk this Holy Week?*

— Thich Nhat Hanh



FROM ST JOHN'S CARE



I thought that this week, I would talk about some of the services other than Emergency Relief that SJC provides and some of the non-food assistance we can offer our clients.

The monthly Friday lunch attracts 60-80 participants each month. It provides an important social outlet for many people as well as a nourishing meal and some great entertainment (thank you Mandy and others who share their musical skills). We are going to have a lunch on Good Friday as it is the first Friday of the month. I am excited because I will get to be a part of it this time. I expect to be exhausted by the end of it.

We also offer a Patch-a-Puzzle service for schools, childcare centres and others to bring in puzzles and similar items that have lost a piece or two for repair at a nominal cost. Now that I work Thursdays, I meet some of the team and they seem to really enjoy what they do and the chance to get together, chat and provide a very useful service.

As well as food, we can offer assistance to our clients with scripts as we have accounts with two pharmacies. This also includes baby formula, provided the chemist has it in stock. Many of our clients need medicines to help them function effectively, ease pain and treat illnesses.

We have a supply of bus tickets to help our clients get to appointments, job interviews and other important activities. Often our clients arrive on foot and are very relieved if we can give them a bus ticket to help them get home with their groceries. We can also give regular bus users a MyWay card which they can top up with their own funds.

These are our standard services which your donations assist us to offer. We may also help out with payments for utilities, rent, car registration and the myriad of large bills that can hit our clients very hard. We keep records of who we assist to make sure we spread our resources as fairly and appropriately as possible. As well, Telstra provides us and lots of other charities with a number of books of vouchers each year to assist clients with home and mobile phone bills.

We have clothing, towels, crockery, cutlery and bedding which our clients gratefully receive. If you are cleaning out the linen cupboards or updating your wardrobe or kitchen supplies, please remember SJC for any spare items which are clean and in good condition.

I hope this gives a glimpse of some of what we offer besides food. Your financial and in-kind support for the above services is much appreciated.

My wish list for this week: school lunch box items (sultanas, muesli bars, small fruit packs, poppers), laundry powder, tinned peas, corn and beans, vegemite



Thank you, Rhonda

PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- Pray for peace, for swords to be turned to plowshares, for eagles into doves.
- Pray for all who protest in peace against injustice, for the weak to confound the strong and the voice of the lowly to be heard in the halls of power.

IN AUSTRALIA

- Pray for all who this Palm Sunday gather and march in our cities to highlight the plight of refugees and other voiceless people.
- Pray for right priorities when decisions are made that affect our national life; for genuine vision and a seeking for wisdom by our elected representatives.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- We pray for the Church in Multan Pakistan and Jerusalem and the Middle East.
- In the Australian Church we pray for the bishops, clergy and people in the Dioceses of The Northern Territory, Wangaratta and Willochra.
- Pray for congregations to take up their palm branches and welcome the Prince of Peace, for bravery in taking the gospel out into the streets and malls of our cities, and for confidence in being God's people in the face of apathy and antagonism.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Cobargo, Bodalla-Narooma, Moruya and Batemans Bay.
- We pray for the Boomerang Meeting Place Mogo, Basement Ministries and the Synergy Camping Coordinator.

MISSION

- We pray for the work of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Anglican Council.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- We pray for those taking the services during Holy Week.
- We pray for Archdeacon Paul Wallis as he prepares to be our next Rector.
- We pray for the following members of our parish family: Ian and Doreen Matters; Tracey Matthews, Russell Rollason and Bella; Lindsay and Anne McDowell; Mavis McLaren, Justine McNamara, Liam Harper, and Anna Harper; and David and Margaret Meggs.
- We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Pat Bonnett, Glenys Wimmer and any known to us personally.

COMMEMORATIONS:

- Today: **Norman Kennett (died 2005)**
Monday: **Yvonne Greening (died 2005)**
Wednesday: **Jessie Henderson (died 2001)**
Bob Rose (died 2005)



SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Sunday 29 March – Palm Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Holy Communion

Monday 30 March – 6.00 pm Holy Communion

Tuesday 31 March – 6.00 pm Holy Communion

Wednesday 1 April

12 noon Holy Communion

6.00 pm Holy Communion

Thursday 2 April – Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Footwashing, Holy Communion,
and Stripping of the Altar

Friday 3 April – Good Friday

8.00 am Good Friday Service

10.00 am Good Friday Service

Saturday 4 April

4.00 pm Children's Easter Service

6.00 pm *Benedictus* Contemplative Service

Sunday 5 April – EASTER DAY

6.00 am Lighting of the New Fire and Holy Communion

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Holy Communion



We are all invited to the
INDUCTION OF OUR NEXT RECTOR

THE VENERABLE PAUL WALLIS

Archdeacon of North Canberra

Thursday 9 April, 7.30pm

Please bring a plate of goodies for supper. There is a sign-up sheet on the board for you to indicate what you are contributing to the supper.

A FAIRTRADE EASTER AT HOLY COVENANT—KATHERINE RAINGER

A movement is starting within churches in Australia to ensure that the chocolate we use as part of our celebrations at Easter is Fairtrade. Fairtrade chocolate ensures that the cocoa farmers receive the Fairtrade Minimum Price for their product and the Fairtrade Premium is invested into their communities. This benefit is only received when cocoa is sold on Fairtrade terms. **The Holy Covenant Children's Easter egg hunt on Easter Saturday and the eggs on Easter Sunday will be Fairtrade this year!** You too can support Fairtrade cocoa farmers.

To find out what Fairtrade Certified Easter treats are available this year, check out the range at www.signwithmary.com.au and www.fairtrade.com.au. The Oxfam shop in Canberra Centre is also a great source.

There is a petition on the sign-up board to encourage Coles and Woolworths to stock more Fairtrade chocolate products at Easter which you are invited to sign.

KALEIDOSCOPE a quiet day for children

Hosted by Benedictus Contemplative Church, Kaleidoscope offers children an opportunity to spend time reflectively, restfully and creatively. The group aims to nurture their souls, open their hearts and minds to the presence of love and hope, and offer opportunities for expression, Sharing stories and even some silence.

Coordinator: Karina Harris

Date: 12th April 2015

Time: 2-4.30pm

Place: Holy Covenant Worship Centre

The Parish Council officers for 2015 are:

- o *Russell Rollason* *Chairperson*
- o *Chris Olsson* *Secretary*
- o *Robert Arthur* *Treasurer*

· A copy of the AGM minutes is available at the back of the Worship Centre for perusal by interested members of the congregation.

· Wholehearted thanks to Anne Dudzinski and Vicky Cullen for their continuing hard work.

· The Holy Covenant Work Health and Safety Policy will shortly be printed and made available to members of the congregation, a copy to be kept in the Office.

IN THE PARISH

HOLISTIC CARE NURSING:

This week, **WOW, what can I say?** As a result of some 'enlightenment' about this ministry last Sunday, we have now jumped to 26 volunteers. No, that's not a typo, there are now 26 volunteers including the much valued 11 who go by roster to play scrabble with Heather at Kangara Waters. (Yes, you are HCN volunteers with a specific ministry to Heather.) **THANK YOU ALL.**



As a result of this marvellous response one of the volunteers has offered to coordinate the volunteers for this ministry to which I am extremely grateful. How blessed are we as a parish to not only have such a wonderful faith community but to have those in it who catch the vision and carry out the mission of Christ to love and serve our neighbour as ourselves. In all I suspect most people in this faith community are volunteering in one or more ministries here in this place.

Now, if you had been intending to volunteer then please do so as we can use you. It would be good to have a couple more people on the 'phone welfare contact list to clients' and a few more to 'brighten a struggling or lonely person's day' with a home visit. **Let's see if we can push the volunteer numbers to 30.** Note I call this program a ministry and not a task or a job. It's a true and real ministry in service to our Lord Jesus Christ. Forms are available from the table beside the Font.

I am so blessed. And I know you will be also.

Anne Ranse, Holistic Care Nursing Ministry Coordinator.



Invitation – Community Morning Tea – Devonshire Tea Thursday 16 April

We know lots of folk have enjoyed our Community lunches in the past and this year we are also having a couple of those, along with a couple of Community Morning Teas. We believe it is important for our attendees to meet and have fellowship and this will be a great opportunity for that. Our first Morning Tea will be on Thursday 16 April in the Worship Centre.

We plan to serve our Devonshire Tea at 10.30am and we hope you will join us and invite any you know who would enjoy this get together.

The cost will be a gold coin donation.

Add your name to the **sign-up sheet** or contact Helen Boulton on 6251 2078 or hnboulton@gmail.com for catering purposes if you would like to come.

IN THE PARISH

REFUGEE ACTION GROUP

Remember: Rally for Refugees,
1pm today, Garema Place.



The Stations of the Cross

When: 11am, Friday 3rd April

Where: The Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture,
15 Blackall Street, Barton (cnr Kings Avenue)

The Stations of the Cross is a major ecumenical service held each year on Good Friday. It is organised by St Christopher's Cathedral in conjunction with the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture (ACC&C). This moving service uses the ecumenical version of the Stations of the Cross from the World Council of Churches with local church leaders from around the ACT taking part.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The Bible teaches that our giving should be a personal response to what God has given and entrusted to us.

We encourage the use of either direct deposit into the parish's bank account (details on page 10), the AIDF direct debit scheme (contact the office) or weekly offering envelopes. Sets for the next year, starting 5 April, are now available from the back. There is no record of who uses the envelopes or how much you give. This is between you and God.



FOR SALE!

A brand new **microwave oven** that is surplus to parish requirements. It is a Sharp 1200W Inverter Microwave Oven with a stainless steel finish, model R-395Y(S). It can be yours for \$225. Contact Paul Shelley (0419 255 002; epshms@grapevine.com.au)

2005 Toyota Camry Altise

with 195,000kms. This car has been regularly serviced with full log book and has ACT Rego till 01/2016. This is an ideal first car for a new driver as it is well serviced and mechanically sound, however does have superficial scratches/dents. All standard equipment and spare key. Inspection welcome. Price \$5,000 negotiable. If interested please ring Evelyn (0411062160).

- **Induction of the Revd Linda McMinn** to All Saints' Ainslie, 7pm Friday 10th April.
- **NB SIDESPERSONS.** A reminder to check that all the candles are blown out before you leave and to know who will lock up if you need to leave.
- We seem to have lost? Some **prayer and hymn books**-can you please look at home.
- **ANGLICAN NEWS** for April is available from the hymn book stand Please take one.

WEARING YOUR NAMETAG?

NB: Daylight Saving ends on Easter Day—put your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday.

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

- ♦ **Working Disciples—Being Christian Every Day**, 18 April. St. John's Reid.
- ♦ **Suicide Prevention Workshop**, 28-29 April. Conducted by Wesley Lifeforce.
- ♦ **2015 Bishop's Cathedral Convention** at St Saviour's Goulburn, 15-16 May. Brochures on back table.
- ♦ **Ecumenical Social Justice Dinner**, 20 May, St. Saviour's Goulburn.
- ♦ **Desert Retreat for body and soul—**InterPlay in Alice Springs. 12—17 July.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today: **Jen Collier, Merri Bacon**; Wednesday: **Rhys Thorpe, Sandra Ross**; Thursday: **Karen Ferguson.**

If you'd like your name in the birthday book, please tell Phyl.
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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 5 APRIL 2015

EASTER DAY

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
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SENTENCE

At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:10-11

8 am HYMNS**READINGS:**

John 12: 12-16
Isaiah 50: 4-9a
Psalm 31: 9-18
Philippians 2: 5-11

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PRAYER

Blessed Hosanna,
who saves us with love,
draw close to us on this day.
Remind us that you are with us always,
in all moods and seasons,
in all our doubts and fears.
May we draw close to you at this time -
after the palm branches have withered
and the songs of praise have died away -
may our love for you remain steadfast and true.

AMEN

	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Ann and Peter Bazeos	Helen and Harris Boulton
Readers	Chris Lewis Jennifer Collier Peter Bazeos Anne Ranse	Doreen Matters Harris Boulton Anne Ranse Celebrant
Intercessor	Peter Hall	Joh Sheehan
Organist	Heather Shelley	Ruth Dunnicliff-Hagan
Word and Prayer	Paul Shelley	Tracey Matthews
Deacon	Anne Ranse	Anne Ranse
Cup	Paul Shelley, Anne Ranse	Anne Ranse, Tracey Matthews, Doreen Matters, Leo Wimmer Extra bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Jenny Hall, Kathy Lake	Youth Group
Children's Church		Katherine Rainger Rhys Thorpe, Richard and Mel Browning. M.Tea: Jodie Petrov