

HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

1 NOVEMBER 2015

ALL SAINTS' DAY



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.



SERVICES TODAY

- 8.00 am** **HOLY COMMUNION**
Celebrant and Preacher: The Venerable Paul Wallis
- 10.00 am** **HOLY COMMUNION, Family Service**
Celebrant: The Venerable Paul Wallis
- 11.00 am** **Holy Communion at BUPA Nursing Home**
- 4.00 pm** **Rainbow Fellowship**



Please join us for morning tea after the Services

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 02.11.15	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Day Care
Tuesday 03.11.15	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation and BYO lunch Belonging and Caring Team meeting
Wednesday 04.11.15	12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation Dreams Workshop
Thursday 05.11.15	9.30 am 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Scrabble Book Club EFM
Friday 06.11.15	10.00 am 10.30 am	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Playgroup MOTH
Saturday 07.11.15	6.00 pm	Worship Centre	Benedictus Contemplative Church

The Holistic Care Nursing office is open from 10am – 2pm Monday and Thursday.

WEEK BEGINNING 8 NOVEMBER 2015

Monday 09.10.15	10.00 am 10.00 am 1.30 pm	Worship Centre Kangara Waters Ret. Villag Calvary Ret. Village	Covenant Day Care Communion Service Communion Service
Tuesday 10.10.15	12.30 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation and BYO lunch
Wednesday 11.10.15	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 12.10.15	9.30 am 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Scrabble EFM
Friday 13.10.15	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
Saturday 14.10.15	6.00 pm	Worship Centre	Benedictus Contemplative Church

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

I don't think I will ever forget the way I felt when I stood just outside the tomb of Lazarus on my last trip to Israel. It seemed like all the events of that biblical story played before my eyes as I paused for some time before I took my first step down into the cave, into the tomb, and the words of Jesus rang in my ears as he called for Lazarus to come out. It was spine tingling.

This biblical story about Lazarus has in it one of the most powerful lines of scripture ever written. It simply says: 'Jesus wept.' Here is Jesus, the Saviour of the world, crying. That was how deeply he felt about the passing of his friend and the sorrow of his family. By recording these words, this story, John stresses that we have a God who cares which contradicts the Greek perception of God, that he is a God who has no emotions yet here we see many emotions from Jesus, sorrow, anger, frustration and compassion. Not only did he weep for Lazarus but he also cares enough to weep for us too. He knows what it is to lose a loved one. He feels our pain, the agony and the heart wrenching grief and proclaims them with tears.

For over twenty years I assisted the Aboriginal Church here in Canberra. A small group of Aboriginal people who gathered on a Sunday evening to worship and to sing God's praises. In the heart of Canberra we have Aboriginal brothers and sisters who are, even to this day, illiterate and shunned. They were a broken group, broken by the hand and tongue of white people but then they found life through the light of Christ. I read them the story of Lazarus and then I said:

He wept **with** Martha and Mary
He wept **for** them
He weeps **with** you
He weeps **for** you and

Something struck a chord in them with these words and that little church was filled with tears at the sudden realisation that through all their pain and suffering in life. Jesus was there weeping with them and for them. They were resurrection words. May we show the compassion of Christ to all. May we offer resurrection words to all. May we show the light of Christ to all.

Blessings

- **Archdeacon Anne**

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

They travel lightly whom God's grace carries.

Thomas a' Kempis



Wear a White Ribbon

I call upon all the men reading this pew sheet to critically evaluate their attitudes and behaviour towards women and to actively practice and promote gender

equality.

I was reading the Newcastle Cathedral pew sheet last week when I came across a message from Rob Dawson, Director of Community Services with the Samaritans Foundation, about becoming a White Ribbon Ambassador.

The White Ribbon Campaign is Australia's only national, male led Campaign to end men's violence against women. Its vision is that "all women live in safety free from all forms of men's violence" and their mission is "making women's safety a man's issue too".

Did you know that in Australia:

- one in three women over the age of 15 years have experienced physical assault
- over half of all women have experienced at least one incident of physical and/or sexual violence in their lifetime
- 87 percent of victims of 'domestic violence' are women and 98 percent of perpetrators are men
- Men's violence against women is perpetrated most usually by a woman's intimate partner and most violence occurs in the home
- 1 woman is killed nearly every week due to family violence
- one in six women experienced intimate partner violence compared with one in 20 men (2012)

This morning I signed up as a White Ribbon Advocate and as such agreed to:

- ♦ not commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women
- ♦ actively practice and promote gender equality
- ♦ proactively contribute to the success of White Ribbon in preventing men's violence against women

Men's violence against women is unacceptable. So, I am keen to engage as many men as I can to support the White Ribbon Campaign alongside me. I think it is our responsibility to talk about this issue with our fathers, our brothers, our sons, our nephews and our mates and model anti violence behaviours. Together we can make a difference.

In the lead up to White Ribbon Day on November 25th, I invite everyone to join me in taking a stand against men's violence towards women. I am also keen for St John's Care to seek to gain accreditation as a White Ribbon Workplace. Have a look at the White Ribbon website and take some time to think about how you and we might contribute to this cause.

Wish list: tinned lentils, tinned meat, egg cartons and we are desperate for biscuits, both savoury and sweet.



Stuart Davis-Meehan, Director

PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- We pray for the people of Afghanistan and Pakistan suffering from a devastating earthquake earlier this week, and that aid will be forthcoming.

IN AUSTRALIA

- We pray for those towns in the 80% of Queensland affected by the current drought and give thanks for the government aid helping farmers to survive.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- We pray for the Church in Trinidad and Tobago West Indies and Canterbury England..
- In the Australian Church we pray for the bishops, clergy and people in the Dioceses of Adelaide, Armidale and Ballarat.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Christ Church Hawker, St. Simon's Kaleen and St. Paul's Ginninderra.
- We pray for Churchwardens, members of Parish Councils and Lay Readers.

MISSION

- We pray for the work of the Christian Blind Mission in Zambia and Ecuador.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY.

- We pray for the saints of all ages whose example we acknowledge today, especially those known to us including Arthur Olsen and Paul Free.
- We pray for a successful mini-fete next Saturday and for a good outreach into the community.
- We pray for the Belonging and Caring meeting this week.
- We pray for the following members of our parish family: Rod and Ann Menzies; Jean Metters; Ross and Christine Mitchell; Noel Montgomery and Susan Joy, Maurice, Bethany, Joel and Tobias Nevile.
- We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Beryl Daniels and any known to us personally.
- We pray for Gareth, Jo, Elanor, Isobel and Hannah James on the death of Gareth's Dad and pray for safe travel for Gareth and Jo as they fly to England for the funeral.

COMMEMORATIONS

Today: **Arthur Olsen (died 2005)**

Thursday: **Paul Bruce Free (died 20100)**



HOLY COVENANT PRAYER VINE
REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

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

Hear our Prayer,
O God.†

TODAY - ALL SAINTS' DAY!
10.00 AM FAMILY SERVICE
FOLLOWED BY BARBECUE

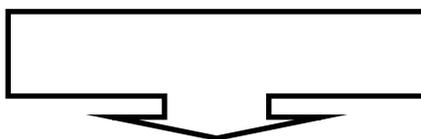
HOLY COVENANT'S OPEN GARDENS

On **1 November** we have **TWO Open Gardens**, at different times - you could stage those refreshments and conversations to go on (almost) all day.....



(1) Ruth Durie's garden will be open **Sunday 1/11 10.30am - 1.30pm** at **3 De Gillern Place, Macquarie**. Ruth's is a small 30 year old water-wise **perfumed** garden on a cottage block, initially with a sprinkler system but replaced during the severe water restrictions with a dripper system. The plants chosen are mostly drought tolerant.

(2) And as already advised, the garden of Eileen and Ian Sykes will be open **Sunday 1/11 2pm - 5pm** at **24 Heney Close, McKellar (the house with the flagpole)**. Theirs is a garden for retirement, allowing them to go away for three months or so without disaster for their plants. No grass, but lots of shrubs, lots of vegetables in raised beds, a fig tree....etc. The watering system is impressive, using grey water and processing it to drinking standard. The garden is smaller in scale than the really large garden they had in Tasmania - it's an interesting model, and there'll be a cuppa to enjoy.



MOVIE NIGHT: THE SONG OF BERNADETTE

Hosted by: Peter Bazeos and Katherine Rainger

When: Sunday 1st November Time: 6pm

Where: The Mushroom (Youth Group room attached to the Rainbow Centre)

Peter's review: It would give me great pleasure to present this movie to commemorate All Saints Day. Four Oscars including one to Jennifer Jones for best actress, went to this beautifully filmed story of the simple nineteenth-century French peasant girl Bernadette Soubirous, who saw a vision of the Virgin Mary in the town of Lourdes. She incurs local wrath because of it. In fact she reported 18 visions. Despite the cynics and skeptics she still maintained her faith and belief. She died from tuberculosis on 16 April 1879. The movie was made in 1943 and runs for 156 minutes. It was shot in black and white and it would be most befitting to screen for All Saints' Day. I was moved by it and have seen it twice. Highly recommended.

There are leaflets on the table near the Font.

**The parish Mini fete
NEXT SATURDAY 10am-2pm**

There are sign-up sheets with hourly slots on the board for all these stalls:

- Plant stall - plants, seedlings, etc
- Café - coffee, cakes, slices, etc
- White elephant—no electrical.

Goods can be left at the church from midday Friday. Too late for books!

If you would be interested in volunteering or have any further ideas please contact Evelyn on 0411062160 or evie_24@hotmail.com

LETTERBOX leaflets are available from the table near the Font for delivery.

Please mark on the sheet where you are delivering and please honour the 'No Junk Mail' notices.

NB: PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOW NO CAKE STALL AT THE FETE AS OUR TWICE YEARLY COLLECTION FOR ST. JOHN'S CARE AT JAMISON AND OUR STALL THERE IS EARLY THIS YEAR ON 28 NOVEMBER. SO SAVE YOUR BAKING TILL THEN!

Dear Parishioners

A survey has been designed by the Communications Ministry Team of Holy Covenant to find out the preferred modes of communication members of the parish and groups associated with the parish would like to see used at Holy Covenant. The team also wants to know whether there are new modes of communication that people would like to receive information by that might be particularly relevant for your age group or interest area.

- ♦ This survey of 18 questions will take less than 5 minutes. Each question is optional.
- ♦ Please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MLLPKL2> and follow instructions. **You can also access it from the parish's website.**
- ♦ *A printed version is available from the table near the Font for those who cannot complete this electronic version. But it will be easy for data collation if you can do the electronic version,*

Thanks for your input. The Communications Team

IN THE PARISH

Dear Friends



It has been a busy month, notwithstanding a couple of weeks flattened by the recent Influenza B strain that has seriously affected so many. So I am happy to report that the Wallis family have all bounced back and are back on deck.

I have enjoyed meeting with our youth and young adults conferring with them as to the possibilities of a new team member at Holy Covenant to give two days a week to serving and journeying with our young people. I am very grateful to our young people for their enthusiastic engagement in the consultation last weekend and am now working with Katherine Rainger to work up a position description. In collaboration with our young people, Parish Council and our Clergy Appointment Board reps we will then look at a process for filling that position.

This opportunity is the result of Katherine's selection for training for ordination and the commencement of her PhD program. I am delighted that Katherine will be able to do this and continue on the team at Holy Covenant, but focusing her energies on the children's work, thereby liberating two days of stipend for another team member to be added. In the consultation the young people resoundingly affirmed Katherine's ministry among them, and I would add my voice to that message. They said they wished they could simply clone her. I will keep you posted as to the PD we shape up and the process in the coming weeks and would also mention that I would be happy to hear input and feedback from parents and others involved in our ministry in this vital area.

At the end of 2015 we will be Farewelling Chris, Rebecca, Georgina, Benjamin and Alyssa Lewis. It has been a great pleasure hosting and working with Chris in his placement with us. The next step of his training for ADF chaplaincy will be a segue in 2016 to All Saints Ainslie under the ministry of Revd Lynda McMinn, where he will serve as deacon and then priest. In his place we will be receiving David and Ashleigh Schweinsberg. David is also being trained for ADF chaplaincy and in February 2016 will be making his segue from student placement to a placement as an ordained curate.

This means that for the cost to us of a day a week of stipend we will enjoy the benefit of the addition to the team of a full-time curate for three years before he is deployed in Army Chaplaincy. David's duties among us will be as those of any curate, pastoral and liturgical and across the full spectrum of parish life. As with any first curacy our engagement with David will play a significant part in his priestly formation.

Revd Erica Mathieson has been announced as the next Archdeacon for North Canberra. She will be taking up the post from the beginning of December, being collated on November 28th at the cathedral. It has been my privilege to serve in this capacity for three years and I will appreciate the more sustainable pattern of work that will result from my passing that baton on the next archdeacon. And I wish Erica every blessing in this new aspect of ministry.

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It is an exciting time in Parish Council as our conversations flow on from this year's strategic planning, particularly as we anticipate further enhancing our support of the pastoral work of the church and of our Holistic Care Nursing program. For notes on these conversations, Parish Council minutes are, as always, on view at the back of the church.

As I mentioned in a previous note I am interested in gauging what interest you may have in our discreetly offering prayer with laying on of hands for the sick - whether as part of what happens on a Sunday or at some other suitable time during the week. This is a ministry which has figured strongly in the past at Holy Covenant and through such prayer-ministry I have seen many people blessed by God through they years. If this is something you would have an interest in, please let me know, whether by a tap on the shoulder or an email. If there is sufficient interest I will then follow up with some gathered conversations for us to consider together what might be an appropriate way of including it in our life of prayer.



*With Every Blessing,
Paul*

ST JOHN'S CARE COLLECTION AT JAMISON, 28 NOVEMBER

9am—1pm

Our Christmas collection of groceries for St John's Care at Jamison Plaza together with a cake stall to raise funds for Holy Covenant—details above - provides a major 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 also 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)

Holy Covenant Year 12's

Isobel D'Cruz, Natalie Pogson, Louisa Trigge, Jenny Lange, Sam Browning and Jonathon Wedgwood are in Year 12 this year. We pray for them as they finish off their final year of school and transition into the next stage of life's journey.

CES Public Forum with Catholic Social Justice Commission. Topic: "For Those Who've Come Across the Seas: Justice for Refugees and Asylum Seekers?" Speakers will be Jon Stanhope; Sr Jane Keogh; Felix Macharidza. The forum will be held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 11 November at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture. Details are at www.ces.org.au

More details on noticeboard



ON THE NOTICE BOARD

The **PARISH ROLL** is on the back table, please check your entry.

The **CLEANING ROSTER** is on the Roster Board—there are quite a few Vacant spots—consider signing up yourself.

The **Anglican Historical Society Journal** for October is also on the back table. As are quite a few other interesting things— worth a browse.

- Hawker Lunch Forum, *The Silent Genocide*, 9 November.

- **Opening to Mystery**, Quiet day, 21 Nov. ACC&C chapel.

- **Campfire Reflection** from 6pm Thursdays in November. ACC&C

SERMONS

Did you know that you can listen to any recent sermons that you may have missed... or perhaps enjoyed so much that you want to listen to them again!?

Recordings of the weekly sermons are now available on the Parish website (as an MP3 file), which should play on any computer, tablet or smartphone.

- 1) Just go to the parish website: www.holycovenant.org.au
- 2) Go to resources and click sermons 2015
- 3) Then just click on the little headphone icon next to the sermon you'd like to **listen to... that's it!**

The sermon will be going up each week, provided we have the permission of the preacher.

You can also hear Katherine Rainger's DEEP DIVE from last Sunday
(25 Oct)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

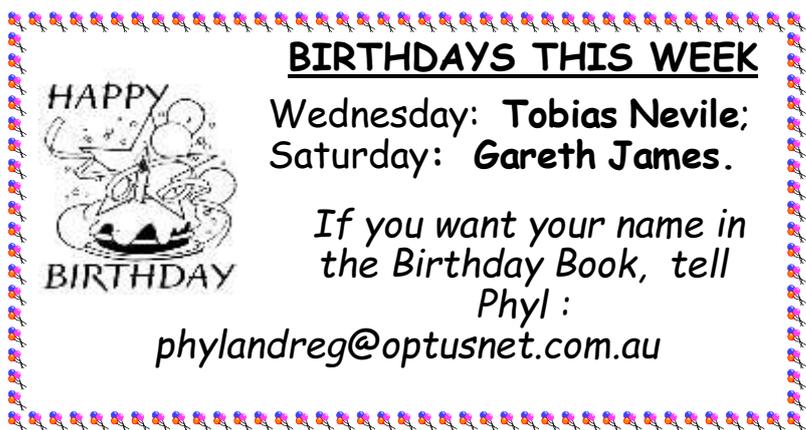
Wednesday: **Tobias Nevile**;
Saturday: **Gareth James**.

*If you want your name in
the Birthday Book, tell
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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2015

- 8.00 am** **HOLY COMMUNION**
Celebrant and Preacher: The Venerable Paul Wallis
- 10.00 am** **HOLY COMMUNION, Children's Church and youth Group**
Celebrant: and Preacher: The Venerable Paul Wallis
- 6.00 pm** **TAIZE Service**



TODAY

SENTENCE: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength, and you shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment than these. Mark 10:29-31

READINGS:

Isaiah 25: 6-9
 Psalm 24
 Revelation 21: 1-6a
 John 11: 32-44

8 am HYMNS

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 448
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 143

PRAYER

God of peace,
 you taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved,
 in quietness and confidence shall be our strength:
 by the power of your Spirit, lift us to your presence, where
 we may be still and know that you are God;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
 Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever.

AMEN



	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Mandy Squair, Hilary Harris	Dorothy & Neville Hurst
Readers	Mandy Squair Des Pain Rosemary Kennemore	The Young People
Intercessor	Paul Shelley	The Young People
Organist	Kath Arthur	The Young People
Ministry of the Word	Chris Lewis	Tracey Matthews
Deacon	-	-
Cup	Chris Lewis, Rosemary Kennemore	Tracey Matthews, Leo Wimmer, James Ellis, Phyl Holmes Extra bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Mandy Squair, Marjorie Pratt	Dannii Ellis, Carol Kubanek
Children's Church		Family Service