

HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

27 APRIL
2016



EASTER
DAY

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!



We welcome you to our worship and fellowship today as we celebrate the Risen Christ and 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

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| 6.00 am | SERVICE OF LIGHT
Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Connie Gerrity |
| 8.00 am | HOLY COMMUNION
Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Rob Miners |
| 10.00 am | HOLY COMMUNION
Celebrant : Revd Anne Dudzinski
Preacher: Revd Connie Gerrity |



*Please join us for morning tea after the Services
and celebrate Easter.*

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 28.3.16	6.30 pm	PUBLIC HOLIDAY 30 Northmore Cres Higgins	Refugee Action Group
Tuesday 29.3.16	12.30 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation and BYO lunch
Wednesday 30.3.16	12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Worship Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 31.3.16	9.30 am 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Scrabble EFM
Friday 1.4.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

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

WEEK BEGINNING 3 April 2016

Monday 4.4.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 5.4.16	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation and BYO lunch Belonging and Caring Meeting
Wednesday 6.4.16	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 7.4.16	9.30 am 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre R.C. (red room)	Scrabble EFM
Friday 08.4.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup



SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

EASTER REFLECTION



Jesus Christ is risen. He is risen indeed! Morning has broken like the first morning.

*'But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away, but when they went in they did not find a body for He is risen!'
Luke 24 (Paraphrased)*

It was the dry grass, heavily laden with glistening dew that first caught my eye before I raised my head and saw the mountains come into view, draped in mist and fog. What a glorious autumn morning. The golden sunlight crept across the last of the darkness of night bringing light to the new day. Everywhere I looked the golden fingers of light brought colour and life to a dark earth. Across the dew laden grass, across the bronze coloured vineyards, and through the fog in the valley, pausing a moment to reflect itself in the paddock dam filled with life giving water from some recent rain before it spreads its warm rays on the backdrop of hills and mountains, touching the horizon with a shade of pink as it gives a final fling and bursts onto the sky in pastel blue. The peewees vied with the crows to be the first to break the news of the arrival of the new day and I thought of a poem I had penned. 'Soft soft the morning mist did rise.....' Gifts from God, every one of them, gifts from God as I stand in awe of him. What spiritual fuel for the day. What spiritual fuel for life.

How did you start your Easter Sunday morning? When did you meet with God? Was it life giving and energy providing? Was it spiritually uplifting?

May your Easter Day be blessed with new beginnings. May your life be refreshed by the Easter experience and may God's peace be with you.

***Blessings
Archdeacon Anne***



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Youth Care Canberra

How lucky we are to be able to manage and operate the Youth Care Canberra program. You may recall that my first job in the social and community services sector was as a "street worker" with the Newcastle Youth Service, so I am both familiar with and very committed to the work that the outreach model of service provides to the most disadvantaged and disengaged young people in our community.

You will of course be aware of the wonderful work that our Youth Outreach Worker, Zack Bryers, does with and for these young people and that he was recognised last year as the recipient of the ACT Yogie Award for Outstanding Youth Worker. He has recently developed a strong interest in an innovative approach to working with violence being used in the USA called "Cure Violence" which is based on the idea that we should treat violence like a contagious disease. Violence is a significant issue for many of the clients that Zack works with. For information about this approach I encourage you to look at the following: www.youtube.com/watch?v=mtL6yD151IU and www.youtube.com/watch?v=mtL6yD151IU Zack is currently taking the lead on talking to other local agencies about how we might apply this approach in Canberra and he is in the process of developing a Churchill Scholarship application to enable him to undertake a research study tour of sites in the USA in 2017.

I am also very excited that we have advertised to employ a 2nd youth outreach worker for the Youth Care Canberra program. Applications close 15th April and if you know anyone that would be interested in the position, please encourage them to contact me.

I note that National Youth Week will be held from the 8th - 17th April. It is an annual weeklong celebration of young people and is coordinated in the ACT by the Youth Coalition of the ACT and the ACT Government. This year they will be holding a Youth Week Festival and I encourage you all to attend. The Festival aims to promote both young people's current contribution to community and cultural life in the ACTR, but also to provide walk through patrons with information about opportunities for young people to engage in a range of cultural, sporting and other opportunities in the region. Further details can be obtained on the Youth Coalition of ACT website.

Wish list: tinned vegetables, sanitary products, powdered milk, long life milk.



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

Stuart Davis-Meehan
Director

PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- ♦ We pray for the dawn of new hope in the dark places of the world, especially for the people of Brussels, that the stone of oppression, ignorance, fear and intimidation might be rolled away, and the promise of new life becomes real for those in despair.

IN AUSTRALIA

- ♦ We pray for good governance in all areas of our political life, that fairness for all may be the overriding principal in decision making.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- ♦ We pray for the churches in Scotland and Canterbury England.
- ♦ We pray for the bishops, clergy and people in the Dioceses of Sydney and Tasmania.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- ♦ We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Bodalla, Narooma, and Bateman's Bay.
- ♦ We pray for the Boomerang Meeting Place and Bimbadeen Training College.

MISSION

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

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY.

- ♦ We pray for our walk to Emmaus, that each of us might have our eyes opened and see Christ present in all of life, and be able to live that truth.
- ♦ We give thanks for our Children's Church and Youth Leaders and for all who have led us on our Lenten Journey.
- ♦ We pray for our Clergy Appointment Board as they work to find us a new rector.
- ♦ We pray for the following members of our parish family: David and Mel Clark; Joyce Cole; Naomi Cole; Jen Collier; Sam and Janice Colman; and Ursula Conan-Davies.
- ♦ We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Glenys Wimmer, Dawn Hardman, Tanya Boulton, Marjorie Pratt and those known to us personally.

COMMEMORATIONS

Monday: **Norman Kennett (died 2005)**

Tuesday: **Yvonne Greening (died 2005)**

Friday: **Jessie Henderson (died 2001)**
Bob Rose (died 2005)

HOLY COVENANT PRAYER VINE
REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

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



**DEAR GOD,
I WANNA TAKE A
MINUTE, NOT TO ASK
FOR ANYTHING FROM
YOU, BUT SIMPLY TO
SAY THANK YOU,
FOR ALL I HAVE.**

IN THE PARISH

TODAY

We say **farewell to the Wilcox Family** from our 10am congregation. They have been with us for 6 months and return to Montana, USA this week.

We hope that Taylor, Jen, Hannah and Josiah have enjoyed their time with us and pray for a safe journey home. We will miss you!!

I Can't wait to tell you..... How wonderful you are. We now have lots of people offering to take clients on our outings and for you to enjoy the outings as well.

THANK YOU so much to all who have volunteered, you are making a huge difference in the lives of those isolated at home and those clients are very excited at what we have planned for their outings. Cathy will be in touch with you to make the arrangements

Blessings, Archdeacon Anne HCN coordinator.



POSITION VACANT

We are looking for someone to coordinate our Community Lunches, which we would like to hold again this year.

We are simplifying the format, having ready made sandwiches and asking for donations of slices from our very generous community. The task would involve recruiting a small team to help set up the tables, plate up sandwiches and slices, make tea and coffee at the end, and then clean up.

We are anticipating having four lunches this year, the first one mid-April.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in doing, please contact Libby in the Parish Office, phone: 6251 6100 or office@holycovenant.org.au.



In God's tomorrow...

“shalom” shall extend far beyond our simple notion of peace, to a rich and joyful flourishing of human experience. I can hear singing. I can see dancing. I see women and men, laughing and feasting together, knowing that all their work is done.

Reflections for Lent
TEARAUSTRALIA

PARISH CONSULTATION (RE APPOINTMENT OF NEW RECTOR)

Archdeacon Dr Erica Mathieson conducted our parish consultation on Tuesday night, 15 March. Forty-four people attended, with seven apologies. As some people may not have been able to attend in the evening, the Clergy Appointment Board (CAB) - Bob Arthur, George Gerrity and Beth Heyde - will be offering to chat, with anyone who wished to come but couldn't, after services at some stage over the next few weeks.

Each person at the consultation 'voted' on about a dozen significant topics that Archdeacon Erica had extracted from the draft parish profile:

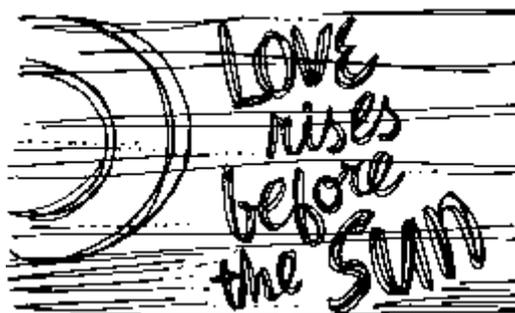
- *once in relation to importance to the parish, and
- *once more in relation to what we are seeking in our new Rector.

Topics were (in no significant order):

- Preaching and teaching, theologically enriched
- Pastoral care
- Working as a team
- Open to fresh ideas and inclusive
- Youth and children
- Community engagement/Creative worship
- Current programs - incl. rainbow groups, holistic care, meditation, Deep Dive, Breathing Space
- Enabling everyone's gifts
- Administration
- Building mutual support and trust
- Visionary leadership
- Anglican character

The relative weights of 'votes' will be calculated by Archdeacon Mathieson, and comments made during discussion will be reflected by the CAB members as appropriate in the updated parish profile. The next step will be to use the outcomes of the Consultation and the updated profile for a meeting of the Clergy Appointment Board with Archdeacon Mathieson, probably just after mid April, in preparation for identifying people with potential to become our next Rector.

Meanwhile, please give any names you would like considered to one of the CAB members, as soon as possible.



PARISH COUNCILLOR PROFILE

We have another in our series of Parish Councillor Profiles where we aim to get to know more about our councillors.

This week we interviewed Naomi Cole. Naomi has been worshipping with us for just over 18 months and we asked her the following questions:

What nourishes you?

I need to exercise regularly, it makes me feel good to push myself and use the body God has blessed me with. It also gives me space and time to reflect without computers, television, phones etc. We're so privileged in Canberra to have so much open space and fresh air.

What are your passions?

I'm very moved by the desperate situation of too many in our community who are homeless. Homelessness includes those who are in insecure housing situations like couch surfing and staying in relationships that may not be safe due to a lack of alternative housing, and those sleeping rough.

I volunteer with Safe Shelter at St Columba's Church hall, Braddon, and will be looking for opportunities through Parish Council where we can make a difference. Keep an eye out in the Bulletin for updates on Safe Shelter training if you'd like to volunteer too.

You'll also often find me dancing; salsa, bachata, Cha Cha - anything with a Latin beat (well, any opportunity to kick up my heels!).

What do you see as your role on parish council?

To bring my public service experience to parish management and administration and look for opportunities for the parish to do God's work in our community both within the church and beyond. One of the wonders of life (of God's creation) I am increasingly present to is that the more I give, the more I receive. I'm privileged to have the opportunity to represent the parish community on Council and contribute to a wonderful, vibrant and big-hearted parish.



WATCH THIS SPACE

- # First Aid Course run by St. John Ambulance
- # Women's Afternoon Tea
- # Community Lunch—14 April 2016
There is a sign-up sheet on the sign-up board.
- # Safe Ministries Courses

REGULAR GIVING

At Holy Covenant we encourage the use of

- direct deposit into the parish's bank account;
- the AIDF direct debit scheme; or
- weekly offering envelopes



as convenient and disciplined ways of setting aside regularly a proportion of our income for God's work both in this parish and elsewhere.

Sets of envelopes for the next twelve months are now available. If you would like to use EFT into the parish account, the account details are in the weekly bulletin. If you would like to use the direct debit scheme through the *Anglican Investment & Development Fund*, please ask for a form. Any enquiries to Bob Arthur 6251 2383; rbarthur@gmail.com or Paul Shelley 6251 1568; epshms@grapevine.com.au.

Sunrise, Lake Burley Griffin

Easter Sunday

*the world is charged with the grandeur
of God*

Gerard Manley Hopkins

Easter is for the optimist.
An extension cord
powered by imagination
connects to a caring creator
to glow in the mind
believing the unbelievable
that humanity has a bright future
and life is eternal.

For the pessimist
unseeing, the door closes
on such possibilities
the blind mind denies
darkness prevails
the switch not reached.

Richard Scutter



Orders are being taken for Entertainment book 2016/17 now. Order before 31st March and receive 6 bonus vouchers to be used before June.

Books will be available early April and can be used straight away. The price is \$60 and \$12 will go to the Parish. Cash would be great or use www.entbook.com.au/247m23

Please chat with Hilary, check last years book at back of church or call 6251 8166 for more details.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

If you can help with providing some slices, please tell Libby 6251 6100 or Anne Ranse 0439 139 209

AND . . .

DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS NEXT SUNDAY!
Put your clocks back one hour on Saturday night or you'll be very early for church!



DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG!

Need one? Put your name on the list on the desk up the back.

The Easter display of the Tomb Garden that is in the sanctuary this Sunday was made by the members of Rainbow Fellowship.

ANGLICAN NEWS is available from the hymn book stand.

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- *My Word Your Ear*, by Richard Scutter
Launch 3 April
- **Simply Alive**, weekend retreat,
29 April—1 May. Led by Susanna Pain

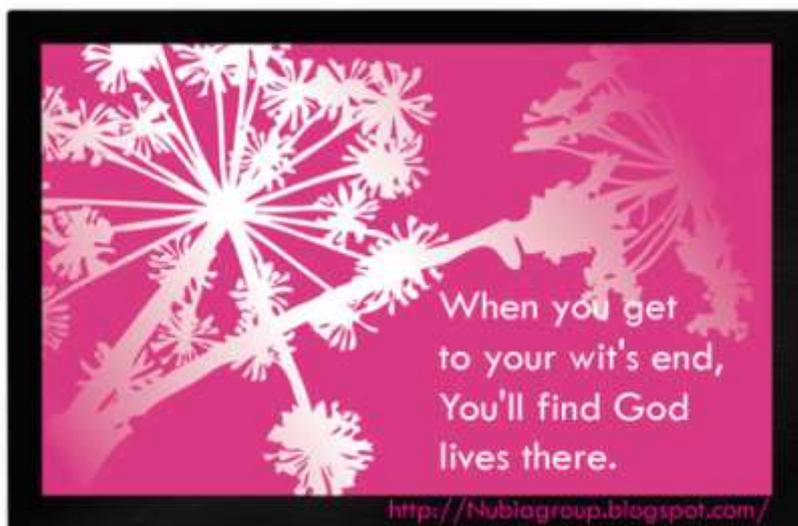
Safe Shelter for homeless men seeks volunteers

Safe Shelter, which provides overnight shelter for homeless men during winter, is looking for volunteers to undergo training and to staff the shelters this coming winter.

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, have completed the two night training course, hold a Working With Vulnerable People (WWVP) card, and be willing to spend a minimum of one night per month staffing a shelter between 26 April and 29 September. Training for potential volunteers will start on 29 March. **More details on the noticeboard.**

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



Tuesday: **Jen Collier, Merri Bacon**
Friday: **Rhys Thorpe, Sandra Ross**
If you want your name in the Birthday Book,
email :
weeklybulletin@holycovenant.org.au

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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 3 April 2016

8.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION Celebrant and Preacher: TBA
10.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION, Children's Church and Youth Group Celebrant and Preacher: TBA



SENTENCE: **The Lord is risen indeed Alleluia!**

READINGS:

Luke 19:28-40
 Isaiah 50:4-9a
 Psalm 31:9-18
 Philippians 2:5-11
 Luke 23: 1-49



8 am HYMNS

362
 382
 392
 361

PRAYER

God of glory,
 fill your church with the power
 that flows from Christ's resurrection
 that, in the midst of this sinful world,
 it may signal the beginning of a renewed
 humanity,
 raised to new life in Christ;
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

Amen



	6.00 am	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Tony Willis	Elizabeth Grant Libby Warren	Prue and Ken Wedgwood
Readers	Paul Shelley Tony Willis Anne Ranse	Rosemary Kennemore, Merrie Hepworth Katherine Rainger	Jayne Murray Tobias Nevile Anne Ranse
Intercessor	Anne Ranse	Robert Arthur	Joh Sheehan
Organist	Heather Shelley	Kath Arthur	Heather Shelley
Word and Prayer	Paul Shelley	Steve Daniels	Tobias Nevile
Deacon	Susan Joy Nevile	Katherine Rainger	Anne Ranse
Cup	Paul Shelley Susan Joy Nevile	Steve Daniels Katherine Rainger	Tobias Nevile, Anne Ranse, Phyl Holmes, Rob Maron Extra bread: Revd Connie Gerrity
Morning Tea		Ann Menzies Carol Sherman	Youth Group
Children's Church			Katherine Rainger, M. Tea: Jodie Petrov