

HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

17 July 2016

**Ninth Sunday
after Pentecost**



We welcome you to our worship and fellowship today, 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

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
Celebrant: Revd Rob Miners
Preacher: Revd Rob Miners

10.00 am HOLY COMMUNION, Children's Church and Youth Group
Celebrant: Revd Rob Miners
Preacher: Revd Rob Miners



Please join us for morning tea after the Services

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 18.7.16	10.00am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 19.7.16	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation Parish Council meeting
Wednesday 20.7.16	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 21.7.16	9.30 am 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Scrabble Bookclub EFM
Friday 22.7.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

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

WEEK BEGINNING 24 July 2016

Monday 25.7.16	10.00am 10.00 am 1.30 pm	Worship Centre Kangara Waters Care Ctre Calvary Retirement Village	Covenant Care Communion Service Communion Service
Tuesday 26.7.16	12.30 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation
Wednesday 27.7.16	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 28.7.16	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
Friday 29.7.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
Saturday 30.7.16	7.00 pm	Worship Centre	Parish Dinner



SAVE THE DATES

- # Sat 3 Sept — ~~Susanna's induction in Sale~~
- # Fri 16-18 Sept — Parish Retreat at Galong
- # Sat 5 Nov — HC Plant sale and mini fete

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell...

- Colossians 1:19

Two weeks ago I was in Seoul, Korea at a meeting with Biblical scholars from all over the world. At gatherings like this a sense of the global nature of the Church is present. It becomes clear that we all exist within a certain context which influences the way we see the world and our shared faith. Closer to home, in Jamison and the surrounding suburbs people gather for worship each week in different congregations. As we pray for the Church and for the world we pray for each other in places near and far. I am intrigued that so much of the New Testament contains prayers and letters to certain congregations. I wonder what you would write in a letter to encourage members of another Church? The context of the congregation would undoubtedly play a part.

Last week I was privileged to attend the baptism of Jazz and Samuel Dow's daughter Amélie in Melbourne. Jazz and Samuel both completed placements at Holy Covenant when they were students at St Mark's. Samuel and Jazz had prepared the service to include Amélie wearing a waterproof nappy and being immersed in the font for the baptism. She was then dried and clothed in her new baptism gown. Faith, hope and love as everyone gathered around the font, and children came right up close, were palpable. In that moment the ancient liturgy and the Spirit of God who is present in each moment fused as one. Amélie was welcomed into the Church, the living, breathing body of Christ. Paul in his letter to the Colossians is presenting Christ as the one is in all and for all. In Christ we see the image of the invisible God, the one who holds all things together (1:15).

In his homily at the baptism Bishop Philip Huggins spoke about beauty, wonder and service, all of which were part of the occasion. In his concluding section on service he talked about some Iraqi Christians who were refugees living in Melbourne. When they were in danger all they had left was prayer in the name of Jesus. This sustained them in very difficult times. A passage such as our epistle reading today reminds us that the purposes of God in Christ are peace and reconciliation of all things through the cross (1:20). This is the paradoxical nature of our faith. Christ is above all and in all and yet it is as a servant enduring a cruel death where hope is found. In our world where many continue to suffer we seek to live in harmony with the Gospel as icons, image bearers, of the One who is the image of God. Our task is to live and love in our homes, our workplaces and our community knowing Christ is in us. We live as seekers of beauty, wonder and service in the name of Christ.

Revd Katherine Rainger





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It's Cold Out There

Ellen and I were walking out to dinner last weekend through the Kingston shopping centre, when we came across a youngish man sitting on the ground outside the IGA, begging for money. We stopped to have a chat.

He shared his story of being in Canberra for some weeks and how he was trying to gather together enough money to pay for a bed at the local Youth Hostel, which is one of the cheapest local options for accommodation. He had used the Safe Shelter service before, but of course it is only open during the week.

He had recently been unfairly dismissed from his job and his old boss was being difficult by withholding his separation certificate, which he needed to apply for a Centrelink benefit. He told us that it had been nearly eight weeks that he had been without income.

I remember it was quite cold and I was wearing my overcoat, gloves and beanie. Ellen gave him some money towards his goal and proceeded to ask if he knew about St John's Care.

Well, he started extolling the virtues of St John's Care, showering plaudits on the service, saying how wonderful St John's Care was and that he had used them before and that they were the best service in town. Ellen then introduced me as the Director, to his surprise. This spurred him on even further, continuing to sing our praises and we continued to chat. How wonderful it was to get such honest, unsolicited and positive feedback about St John's Care.

When you see someone begging on the streets of Canberra, I wonder what you think? Of more importance, I think, is what do you do? For some, it is just easier to walk on by. For others it is a gold coin donation. For others, it is important to engage in some conversation. I know that some of our volunteers carry around with them a stack of St John's Care cards and hand them out when they come across someone in this situation. I wonder what Jesus would do?

On a different matter, I would like to try and get a table together for the upcoming Farewell to Stephen Moore Rugby Dinner fundraiser for Youth Care Canberra. It is being held on Tuesday 30 August at Hotel Realm in Barton from 6.30pm. Tickets are \$135 and dress is formal.

Wish list: dried peas, instant mashed potato, tampons, vegemite, bath towels in good condition

Stuart Davis-Meehan, Director

All Donations to St John's Care are Tax Deductible



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- We pray for the strengthening of international understanding, cooperation and respect for cultural diversity, and for all leaders willing to take the risk of tackling problems with compassion and honesty.

IN AUSTRALIA

- We pray for all women and children in danger of exploitation and abuse in Australia, and pray for the agencies working to bring hope to these women.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- We pray for the Church in Pankshin Nigeria and Pennsylvania, USA.
- We pray for the bishops, clergy and people of the Dioceses of Rockhampton and Sydney.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Holbrook, Gundagai and Wagga Wagga.
- We pray for the Diocesan Candidates training for ordination at St Mark's and elsewhere.

MISSION

- We pray for the work of Amnesty International as they work to protect and defend Human Rights around the World.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ We pray for the leaders, helpers and young people returning to Children's Church and Youth Group today.
- ◆ We pray for the Parish Council meeting this week.
- ◆ We pray for all teachers, school staff and students as school returns this week.
- ◆ 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: Sue Paice; Des Pain; John and Gillian Painter; Dorothy Parsonage; Martin, Geraldine, Lilly and Ned Paull; Phil Perman; Nicholas and Judith Platt, and Elle and Jerry Platt.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Glenys Wimmer, Bev Barnes, Des Pain. Nick Moss and those known to us personally.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Thursday: Harry Reece Sharpe (died 1994)

Friday: Mary Magdalene

HOLY COVENANT PRAYER VINE
REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Phone Merri Bacon on 62511110 or email
prayervine@holycovenant.org.au





LET'S CELEBRATE OUR 48TH BIRTHDAY!!
SATURDAY 30 JULY 7pm



Cost: \$40 per adult
\$100 family of 2 adults and their children .

For that you will get a 3 course meal with the theme of "Family Favourites" with entree, mains and a spectacular dessert trolley.

SIGN-UP IF YOU WANT TO JOIN THE PARTY!

This is a fund-raising dinner and there will be a silent auction—so start thinking about what you can offer for auction.

RSVP BY 28 JULY

THE SILENT AUCTION:

We are having a silent auction, contact the office for where to donate goods.

There is a sign up sheet for individual guests at the back of the church and anyone who would like to host a table please email or call Kathryn

Body: kathryn.body@thinkplace.com.au or 0403 500 882.

**IT'S OUR 48th BIRTHDAY
AND YOU'RE ALL INVITED TO OUR PARTY
Sunday 31 July**



Guest Preacher: Revd Canon Susanna Pain
Susanna is a former Rector of Holy Covenant and is currently Associate Director, Liturgy, The Arts and Spiritual Care at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Charles Sturt University.

Followed by a shared lunch at 11.30 am.

Sign up on the sheet on the sign-up door!

FROM THE BREATHING SPACE PROGRAMME

DEEP DIVE

Are We Shortchanging God and Ourselves in our Christian Practice?'

Travel and ministry in another culture can open our eyes to the way culture impacts on our Christian practice. This presentation will explore the ways we accommodate culture and practice.

**Rev Canon Gill Varcoe
14 August, 11.45 |
in Worship Centre**

**Sign-up sheet will be available next
week.**



The Gospel of John and the Making of Christian Theology

This series will run for 6 sessions
7.30—9.00pm

Where: In the Rainbow Centre

When: Wednesday evenings
17th August - 21 September.

Facilitator: Revd Dr. John Painter

**Sign up sheet will be
available next week**



Are you looking for some part time work?

The Holistic Care Nursing program is seeking a coordinator to take over the overall management of the program. The ideal person will have a background in nursing, physiotherapy or community services who is well organised, fit and passionate about keeping people in their homes, caring about isolated people and helping those suffering difficulties to get back on their feet. You will be responsible for working with other agencies and volunteers from within the parish. The position is funded for up to 25 hours per week.

If this interests you and you would like more information please contact Anne Ranse by phone on 0439 139 209 or email nurse@holycovenant.org.au

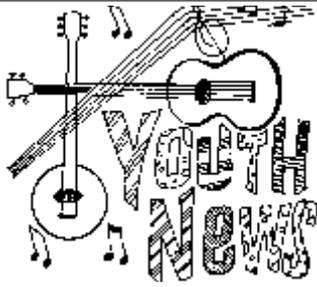
Prayer for choosing an incumbent

Bountiful God,
give to this parish a faithful pastor
who will faithfully speak your word
and minister your sacraments;
an encourager who will equip your people for ministry
and enable us to fulfil our calling.
Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience,
and to us give warm and generous hearts,
for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**



(A Prayer Book for Australia page 212, No. 36)

IN THE PARISH



This year's youth camp explored our identity as individuals and as community, and the role that faith plays in these. Our theme was "The Pie of Life." We used the film *The Life of Pi* as a stimulus, exploring Pi's journey of self discovery and his personal relationship with God. We all loved being out at

Silver Wattle on Lake George, having fun and learning together while connecting with the land. As part of the weekend we created a communal painting, which can be viewed in the Worship Centre.

A response from a leader:

Mary Sargeson: As a leader on camp, it was fantastic to bond with the youth in such a beautiful place about such a wonderful topic! From talks around the fire place to mountain climbing, Youth Group Camp never ceases to bring the best out in people and provides such a learning opportunity for campers and leaders alike

Some responses from campers:

Ellie Wedgewood: Camp was brilliant, I really enjoyed the food and music.

Jono Elkhuizen: The thing I enjoyed the most about camp is the amazing food cooked by Liam and Sally.

Barnaby D'Cruz: Youth camp was a great experience and I was privileged to take part in it again this year. It teaches us about our religion but also about each other.

Children's Church and

Youth Group resume today

Limerick Competition (the last of our winners)

a student who gave up theology
sent his tutor a written apology
He said, 'Your church history
is too much a mystery,
so I switched and now study
astrology'

Alan Duncan



Film and Theology Revd Katherine Rainger

The Scandinavian Film Festival is currently showing at Palace Electric. My pick so far is *Welcome to Norway* (Rated M) which tells the story of Petter Primus, "a jovial racist and failed entrepreneur who turns his dilapidated mountain hotel into a state-funded refugee asylum seeker to remain financially afloat. Not surprisingly, the cultural rub causes more than a little friction, especially his relationship with the overly optimistic arrival Abedi. Fifty freezing refugees, a nosy Norwegian Directorate of Immigration, a depressed wife and a restless teenage daughter prove far more than Peter Primus can bear!" If you see the film and would like to discuss it let me know and I'll see if we can get a group together for coffee and conversation.

Showing: Saturday 16th July, 6:30pm
Sunday 24th July, 4:15pm



PARISH RETREAT

16th–18th September 2016

“Living the Blessing: Becoming a Blessing”

Led by Alice-Anne Macnaught

Praying with sacred Scripture and the book of Nature, we will ponder the mystery and wonder of *The Blessing* of God's love and invitation to *become a blessing* ourselves as we are led to respond.

There is an early bird rate if you register before 7 August

Brochures available from leaflet rack on the back wall.



Only 4 books left!

For \$60 you get great discounts to hundred of activities in Canberra and elsewhere. There is a sample book on the table at the back. \$12 from each sale comes to the parish.

Contact Hilary Harris

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hilaryruthharris@gmail.com

“Do you drink tea or coffee?”

Do you enjoy a cuppa after our morning services? The morning tea roster is one of the ways in which we can offer service to one another and we are looking for some more volunteers to take a turn.

If you can pour tea or coffee and are able to commit to doing so every 5-6 weeks, please advise the office or Jennifer Collier (8am service). 6255 4255



Would you like some truffle salt direct from Oberon truffle farm? 50g for \$10. Great with eggs, tomatoes etc. Pay on delivery. Orders by 20 July please to Gillian Painter 6253 1058.

Em: gillian.painter@hotmail.com



WORKING BEE

For the volunteers who helped

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday: **Samuel Gumbrell**

Tuesday: **Georgina de Vere**

Friday: **Isobel D’Cruz**

If you want your name in the Birthday Book, email :

weeklybulletin@holycovenant.org.au



Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture

WISDOM WORKING FOR THE COMMON GOOD

'Becoming' - a quiet day

Saturday 20 August 2016
9am - 3.30pm

'I am who I am' or 'I am becoming what I am becoming' or 'I will be who I will be' Exodus 3:14

We open with a cuppa at 9am, then a Reflection 9.30am, and gather at various times for reflection and meditation, and a closing prayer at 3pm.

Where: The Chapel, ACCC, Corner King's Avenue and Blackall Street, Barton

Bring your own lunch, journal, hat, and art materials if you'd like.

Morning and afternoon tea provided.

RSVP essential: Susanna Pain
ph 0418 637 469

susanna.pain@gmail.com

Donation: \$30

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- ◆ An invitation from the Bishop of Gippsland to Susanna Pain's Induction on 3 September. **There is an RSVP.**
- ◆ CMS Mission in the Spotlight Dinner 26 August.
- ◆ Exploring the Ecstasy of the Divine in an Inter-faith World. 27 August.
- ◆ *Monks and Mystics in the Desert.* Retreat for body and soul.



It's easy to be an angel when nobody ruffles your feathers.

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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 24 JULY –Tenth after Pentecost

8.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION	Celebrant: Revd Connie Gerrity Preacher: Revd Anne Ranse
10.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION, Children's Church & Youth Group	Celebrant: Revd Connie Gerrity Preacher: Revd Anne Ranse



	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Libby Warren, Tony Willis	Helen & Harris Boulton
Readers	Robert Arthur Tony Willis Katherine Rainger	George Gerrity Tobias Nevile Harris Boulton
Intercessor	Anne McDowell	James Ellis
Organist	Kath Arthur	Claire Lawlor
Word & Prayer	Luc Rose	Anne Dudzinski
Deacon	Katherine Rainger	
Cup	Luc Rose, Katherine Rainger	Anne Ranse, George Gerrity, Vera de Vere, Tobias Nevile Extra bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Margaret & David Meggs	Rika Amos, Ken Wedgwood
Children's Church		
Counting	Tony Willis, Bob Arthur	Simon de Vere, Reg Holmes
Flowers	Penny Lilley	
Cleaning	Andrew Feitz	

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SENTENCE: In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength.

Isaiah 30:16

READINGS:

Amos 8:1-12
 Psalm 52
 Colossians 1:15-29
 Luke 10:38-42

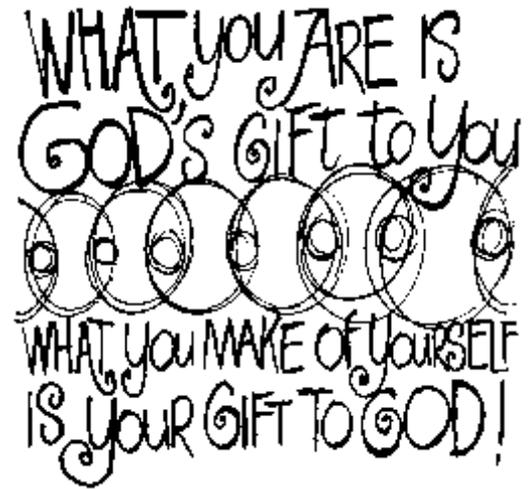


8 am HYMNS

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PRAYER

Living God,
 may we make time and space
 in our lives of busyness
 to be with you.
 May we find your presence in this time
 and space
 and ourselves within it;
 listening for your living word,
 feeling your hand hold our very being,
 knowing your love surrounds each moment.
Amen.



	8.00am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Carol and Peter Sherman	Prue & Ken Wedgwood
Readers	Rosemary Kennemore Steve Daniels Katherine Rainger	Christine Mitchell Simon de Vere Anne Ranse
Intercessor	Robert Arthur	Anne Dudzinski
Organist	Mandy Squair	Ruth Dunnicliff-Hagan
Word & Prayer	Katherine Rainger	Joh Sheehan
Deacon	Katherine Rainger	Anne Ranse
Cup	Katherine Rainger, Rosemary Kennemore	Anne Ranse, Rob Maron, George Gerrity, Leo Wimmer Extra bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Mandy Squair & Pam Lane	Danni Ellis & Carol Kubanek
Children's Church		Katherine Rainger Jenny Lange M/tea: Phyl Holmes