



HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

16 October 2016

Twenty Second Sunday

after Pentecost



Thankful Hearts Raise to God!



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 17.10.16	9.30 am 10.00 am	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Crafty Crew Covenant Care
Tuesday 18.10.16	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation Parish Council meeting
Wednesday 19.10.16	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 20.10.16	9.30 am 1.00 pm 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre HCN Office Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Scrabble Wellness Clinic (by appt.) Book Club EFM
Friday 21.10.16	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Playgroup Men's dinner

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

WEEK BEGINNING 23 October 2016			
Monday 24 .10.16	10.00 am 10.00 am 1.30 pm	Worship Centre Kangara Waters Care Ctre Calvary Retirement Village	Covenant Care Communion Service Communion Service
Tuesday 25.10.16	12.30 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation
Wednesday 26.10.16	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 27.10.16	9.30 am 1.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre HCN Office Rainbow Centre	Scrabble Wellness Clinic (by appt.) EFM
Friday 28.10.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

SAVE THE DATES

- # Sun 30 Oct—Thank you morning tea for locums
- # Sun 30 Oct—Baptism of Evangeline Sharrad
- # Mon 31 Oct—Induction rehearsal @ 7.30pm
- # Tues 1 Nov—Induction of Revd Canon Margaret
- # Sat 5 Nov—Mini-fete and Plant Sale (9.30am-1.30pm)
- # Sun 6 Nov—The Challenge of Advent
- # Sun 13 Nov—Deep Dive - The Spirit of Listening



SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Luke 18: 1-8

The importance of prayer in a time of crisis

We can marvel at the widow in today's gospel reading who got what she wanted from a corrupt judge by bothering him until he gave in!

How do we see the importance of prayer and how much should we 'bother' God with our sometimes repetitious prayers for help or needs? Do we think that if we keep coming to God and 'pestering' him with our petitions that he will eventually give in? I don't think that is how it works however, I do think it is of great value to have such a relationship with God that we feel we can come to him at any time, in any place and ask for his wisdom and guidance and pleading in situations of great need and crisis.

This parable teaches us that we have a loving God who is more eager than any earthly judge to hear our prayers. This gospel is about the importance of persisting in prayer, or as the text says, **'to pray always and not to lose heart.'**

We have great examples of the 'heroes' of the Old Testament who prayed always and didn't cease their dialogue with God. One such hero was Moses who had to ask Aaron and Hur, two members of the community to hold up his outstretched arms, as he was weary from praying with them outstretched to God.

There is great value for all of us to also gather some members of our community about us when we need to pray long and hard about a situation. We need that support by our side. We also need to recognise that the two other things alongside us in prayer are **silence** and the words of **scripture**.

One special passage of scripture that comes to mind and is so powerful when praying in a time crisis is, following a time of silence, the **Beatitudes**, particularly when read aloud. If we are praying, say for the war torn areas of the middle east, how powerful are the words:

*Blessed are the poor,
blessed are the sorrowing,
blessed are the peacemakers
for theirs is the kingdom of God.*

Just reflecting and writing that gives me goosebumps because those very words have come from the mouth of Jesus in a time of crisis.

We all have our own ways of praying, of talking to God and it's so valuable. Just think, if every single person in the world prayed always to their God, the world, our world, would be a very different place.

Archdeacon Anne





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A Rewarding Feeling!

I would like to share an experience I had with a client last week.

It was around 1 o'clock in the afternoon when a woman rang St John's Care (SJC) in great distress. At first the only thing I was able to understand amidst the helpless cries was "I...am stuck, got nothing ...can you guys help me"? I assured her that we were there to help and that she needed to calm down and tell me what was happening. The woman said she had lost her bank card and had just been to the bank in the town centre to cancel it. Unfortunately, someone had already spent all the money she had in her account, some \$650, through a number of payWave deductions.

She reiterated that she had absolutely no money and that she was, accordingly, unable to come to SJC. I asked her to hold the line while I consulted with the Director to formulate a quick action plan. After a quick chat it was agreed that I would go to meet the client.

I got there 20 minutes later and saw the lady standing outside a shop, still in tears and talking to someone on the phone. We went to a nearby coffee shop, where she went over her situation, explaining that she had called at least 3 other emergency relief services and no one had been able to assist her in any way. She had then dialed OneLink and was referred to SJC.

We talked through the issues and I assessed her immediate needs. I asked her what she would have done if I hadn't been there. She said she might have tried approaching Centrelink for assistance. I said we should do that together. After a 30 minute wait to see the customer service officer, we were told that they did not have any on site social workers and there was nothing else they could offer. We walked out and I gave her some money so she could make her way back home and come to SJC the next day for further assistance with food and advocacy. She thanked me with a big hug. A rewarding feeling indeed!

One of the things that makes SJC so great, is our commitment to a client centred approach, which enables us to respond to the individual needs of clients in a flexible way.

Saerah Shah
Community Worker

Wish list: Christmas Ham (450gm or 340 gm), Small Christmas Puddings, Tinned Meat.



All Donations to St John's Care are Tax Deductible

PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- ◆ Being Freedom Sunday, we pray for an end to modern slavery and the more than 45 million men, women and children who are trafficked and exploited emotionally, physically and sexually.

IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ We pray for the mental health of persons in the LGBTI community, including family and friends, affected by the politics of deciding about same sex marriage.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- ◆ We pray for the churches in Japan and Kenya.
- ◆ We pray for the bishops, clergy and people of the Dioceses of Newcastle and North Queensland.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- ◆ We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Pearce, Kambah, Wanniasa, Lanyon Valley and St Mary-in-the-Valley in South Tuggeranong.
- ◆ We pray for Anglicare activities in partnership with parishes and with government: child care, foster care, young people and families; for staff and volunteers in regional offices and in Goulburn; for clients, and for Anglicare Appeals. We especially pray for Anglicare Children's Services at the Centres in Calwell and Gordon and the Calwell Neighbourhood Centre.

MISSION

- ◆ We pray for the work of the Anglican Board of Mission, working with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ We pray for the activities in the parish this week and for all the groups and organisations that use our buildings.
- ◆ We give thanks for our staff both clergy and lay and for the many people who volunteer their services in the parish.
- ◆ We pray for the following members of our parish family: Jennifer Collier; Sam and Janice Colman; Ursula Conan-Davies; Brian and Kerin Cox; and Judith Ann Daniells.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Bev Barnes, Rosemary Kennemore and those known to us personally.
- ◆ We give thanks for the life of Susan Lester, one of our Covenant Care clients, and pray for her family and friends as they mourn their loss.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Tuesday: Luke, evangelist and martyr





We are all invited to the
INDUCTION OF OUR NEXT RECTOR
REVD CANON MARGARET CAMPBELL
Tuesday, 1 November 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. **Penny Lilley** will be co-ordinating the supper if you have any questions. We may be catering for 200!

There will be a number of visiting clergy and other visitors, especially from Margaret's former parish of Crookwell and members of her family. Please make them all welcome. The service will be led by the Area Dean, The Revd Paul Cohen. The Induction will be conducted by The Rt. Revd Trevor Edwards.

Arrive early as seating and parking will be limited!



Mini-Fete & Plant Sale
5 November (9.30am - 1.30pm)
Organisers Needed

Planning is advancing for this significant day in our parish life. Sandra Ross will again mastermind the advertising. (Hope those plants are growing...)



We have convenors for:

- ♦ the plant sale
- ♦ book sale
- ♦ white elephant stall (Anne Ranse)
- ♦ sausage sizzle (Simon De Vere and Quentin Grafton)
- ♦ Café (Phyl Holmes)
- ♦ any other good ideas!

We are now also having a **cake stall** and need a convenor and lots of cakes.

Please let Beth know if you can be involved - heyde@westnet.com.au

Books, magazines, CDs, cassettes etc. can be left in the space behind the sound system, as can 'unwanted treasures' and bric-a-brac for the white elephant stall—no electrical items please.

There are sign-up sheets on the board for all these stalls.

THANK YOU LEO

Have you signed our card yet to thank Leo Wimmer for all that he has given this parish?

He was highly trained in Austria in painting, carving, plaster work and gold leaf work.

He prepares our Paschal candle for Easter and our candles for baptisms, carved the hook in the chapel, made icons, and much more, giving us the benefit of his talents and skills generously and gladly. We are blessed.



Calling all singers



We need more members for the choir, particularly for **Margaret's induction service** on Tuesday 1 November.

Please contact Jodie at anjoali@hotmail.com or 0423 512 744 if you are able to add your voice to the choir.

IN THE PARISH AND ...

Men's dinner
Friday 21 October
7pm
Rainbow Centre
\$20

Please express your interest in attending on the sign up board.

Roster
Unavailability



November and December 2016
January 2017

For those of you normally on roster, please indicate your unavailability on the Roster Board .

Farewell Morning Tea
for our Locums
30 October @ 11.20am
(after 10am service)

Join us in celebration for the great work and service delivered by Connie and Rob in looking after us between Rectors.



WORKING BEE

For the volunteers who helped at the working bee yesterday -



WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE CARDS

Libby needs a copy of your WWVP card. Scan it or take a photo of it and email it to the office.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today: **Kath Arthur, David Meggs**
Monday: **Bob Arthur, Brian Cox**

If you'd like your name in the Birthday Book, please tell the office.

KALEIDOSCOPE - Today, 2.00—4.30pm

Kaleidoscope offers primary age children the opportunity to step out of the busy worlds in which they too live, to spend time reflectively, restfully and creatively.

Children's lives are enriched by experiences that nurture their souls, open their hearts and minds to the presence of love and hope, and offer opportunities for creative expression, sharing stories and even some silence.

Please RSVP to Karina at karinajh43@gmail.com





SUMMER CAMP PELICAN REGISTRATIONS

NOW OPEN!!!

This January we have 3 fantastic camps offering you an amazing week of fun, fellowship, faith and Christian community!

3-7 Jan - Middle School (Yr 5/6)

9-14 Jan - Junior High (Yr 7/8/9)

16-21 Jan - Senior High (Yr 10/11/12)

All camps are run by our accredited leaders and held at our Wambiri campsite at Tathra on the NSW South Coast.

Registrations close Fri 9 Dec 2016

The Challenge of Advent

**Sunday 6 November
3.00pm to 5.00pm
in Rainbow Centre**

Facilitated by Frances MacKay. More information will be forthcoming closer to the event.



The Spirit of Listening

Sunday 13 November

11.45am in Worship Centre



Revd Dr Sarah Bachelard, founder of Benedictus Contemplative Church, will be drawing on her presentation at the Edge of the Sacred Conference in Alice Springs in July.

The title of the conference is 'Exiled from Country—Deep Listening to the Spirit of Place'. She asks: What are the elements of listening that lead to deep connectedness to people and place?

This is the final **DEEP DIVE** for this year so mark it in your calendar.



Australian Centre for **Christianity and Culture**

WISDOM WORKING FOR THE COMMON GOOD

Retreat celebrating Seasons of Birth and Creativity

Saturday 19 Nov 9:30am - 1pm

Led by Frances MacKay with an introduction to the artworks by Doug Purnell.

Eremos is delighted to partner with ACCC to provide the opportunity for people to encounter this wonderful exhibition and engage with the mystery that surrounds birth. We offer this chance to share with others a unique approach to preparing for Advent and Christmas.

Bookings are essential due to space restrictions. Please RSVP with your name and phone number to events@eremos.org.au or phone Joe on 0419 354 578. RSVP deadline is 15 November. No charge but donations will gratefully be received.



Image courtesy Shaam News Network

*Syria
out of the moonscape ruins
a child cries unheard*

*Syria
moonscape ruins*

Richard Scutter – Supporting UNICEF

When I speak, you
must not listen to the
words, my dear. Listen
to the Silence.

Anthony De Mello

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- ♦ Canberra's chamber choir Igitur Nos will perform a concert with orchestra at St Paul's Anglican Church, Manuka, on **today** at 1:30pm. Free entry, exit by donation.
- ♦ Chestnuts in the Cathedral, St Saviour's Cathedral Goulburn, **Sat 22 October**, 2pm, followed by afternoon tea \$20 donation.
- ♦ Wesley Lifeforce Suicide Prevention Training, **1 and 2 November** (only need to attend one day), no charge. Dickson.
- ♦ Thank you card from David and Rosemary Kennemore.
- ♦ CES public forum, **A Place at the Table—Social Justice in Ageing Society**, ACCC. 7.30pm Wed 19 Oct. \$5 donation.
- ♦ **Interplay: Discover you Playful Voice**, Sat 5 Nov, O'Connor Uniting Church, RSVP 0408 601 637.

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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 23 October – 23rd after Pentecost

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



	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Kerin and Brian Cox	Prue and Ken Wedgwood
Readers	Kerin Cox Tony Willis Anne Ranse	Kate King Simon De Vere Anne Ranse
Intercessor	Anne McDowell	James Ellis
Organist	Mandy Squair	TBA
Word & Prayer	Steve Daniels	Joh Sheehan
Deacon	Anne Ranse	Anne Ranse
Cup	Steve Daniels Anne Ranse	Vera De Vere, James Ellis, Leo Wimmer, George Gerrity Extra Bread: Anne Ranse
Morning Tea	Ann Menzies, Carol Sherman	Michael Allen, Rika Amos
Children's Church		Richard & Mel, Christine & Anne M/tea: Phyl Holmes
Counting	Rod Menzies, Tony Willis	Harris Houlton, Quentin Grafton
Flowers	Kath Arthur	
Cleaning	Platt family	

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SENTENCE: Will not God grant justice to those who cry to him day and night?
Will he delay long in helping then?
Luke 18:7-8

READINGS:

2 Timothy 3: 10 to 4:5
Luke 18: 1-14



8 am HYMNS

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PRAYER

In the silence of this moment,
may we give full attention to the law of love
whose ways are always before us.
May we not turn away
when love's demand is great
but be persistent,
for the way of God's love
is sweeter than honey in our mouths.
We pause now to focus
on the heartbeat within us,
the pulse of the sacred teachings
which we love.

AMEN



*Pray Always.
Don't lose heart*

	8.00am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Mandy Squair, Hilary Harris	Helen and Harris Boulton
Readers	- Robert Arthur Katherine Rainger	- Sandra Ross Harris Boulton
Intercessor	Merrie Hepworth	Joh Sheehan
Organist	Kath Arthur	Jeremy Platt
Word & Prayer	Rhonda Thorpe	Tobias Nevile
Deacon	Katherine Rainger	Anne Ranse
Cup	Katherine Rainger Rhonda Thorpe	Tobias Nevile, Doreen Matters, Phyl Holmes, George Gerrity Extra Bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Pam Lane, Jennifer Collier	Merri Bacon, Judith Ann Daniells
Children's Church		Richard & Mel, Katherine & Anne M/tea: Mel Browning
Counters	Clive Rodger, Jenny Baines	Merri Bacon, Simon De Vere