

HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

Weekly Bulletin

30 October 2016

Twenty Fourth 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 Connie Gerrity
Preacher: Revd Rob Miners

10:00 am HOLY COMMUNION, Children's Church and Youth Group

Celebrant: Revd Connie Gerrity
Preacher: Revd Rob Miners

2:30 pm BAPTISM



Please join us for morning tea after the Services

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH			
Monday 31.10.16	10.00 am 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre	Covenant Care Induction Rehearsal
Tuesday 1.11.16	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre	Meditation Induction
Wednesday 2.11.16	12 noon 1.30 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Funeral for Phil Perman Meditation
Thursday 3.11.16	9.30 am 1.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre HCN Office Rainbow Centre	Scrabble Wellness Clinic (by appt.) EFM
Friday 4.11.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
Saturday 5.11.16	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Church grounds Rainbow Centre	Mini fete and plant stall Youth—Messy, Wide, Water games

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

WEEK BEGINNING 6 November 2016			
Monday 7.11.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 8.11.16	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation Communications Team Meeting
Wednesday 9.11.16	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 10.11.16	9.30 am 1.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre HCN Office Rainbow Centre	Scrabble Wellness Clinic (by appt.) EFM
Friday 11.11.16	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

SAVE THE DATES

- # Sun 6 Nov—The Challenge of Advent
- # Tues 8 to Thurs 10 Nov—Office closure
- # Sun 13 Nov—Deep Dive - The Spirit of Listening
- # Sat 19 Nov—Working Bee
- # Sat 26 Nov—Ordinations, St Saviours Cathedral
- # Sun 4 Dec—Voting for 2017 Wardens and Councillors



SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Luke 19:1-10

At the name of Zacchaeus I have two immediate thoughts:

- † The song we sang in Sunday school about Zacchaeus being
'a very small man and a very small man was he.'
- † And the more recent connection with Zacchaeus when I was in Jericho standing beneath a very old sycamore tree and imagined Zacchaeus sitting in it. It's one of those biblical stories that stay with you for life.

On Wednesday at the shopping centre I was drawn to notice a man sitting on one of the street seats. He was wearing very scruffy clothing and had his head wrapped in a scarf and his face had several days growth of whiskers. He looked lonely, lost and tired and unwell and I had this urge to say to him that Jesus loved him, but I didn't.

A rich exploiter of his neighbours, Zacchaeus would seem an unlikely target for Jesus' love and attention. Not only a tax collector but a *chief* tax collector, probably in charge of a group of tax collectors and very wealthy. Members of his profession had a reputation for cheating people and getting rich off the profits and he ranked at the bottom in the eyes of the Jewish people. Yet Jesus sees past the surface, to the heart of the man in need of salvation. He looks past outward appearances to care for even the most hopeless unbeliever. His love reveals that every person, no matter how unlikely, has the potential of coming to Jesus.

Reflect on this: **Who in your life needs Jesus but seems the most unlikely to ever receive him?**

Archdeacon Anne





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Anti-Poverty Week 2016

You may be aware that last week was Anti-Poverty Week across Australia. The main aim of Anti-Poverty Week is to strengthen public understanding of the causes and consequences of poverty and hardship in Australia and around the world. It also encourages research, discussion and action to address these problems, including action by individuals, communities, organisations and governments. I note that poverty and severe hardship affect more than a million Australians.

It was my honour during the week to share a client's story of living in poverty for over 40 years at the launch of the Anglicare research report called "Come as you are – food assistance and social inclusion in ACT and Queanbeyan". Clients from our Friday lunch participated in the research survey. The aim of the research was to investigate the links between disadvantage and social exclusion and in particular, to look at the role of community food services in supporting those experiencing disadvantage and social exclusion in the ACT and Queanbeyan.

Some of the findings of the research included:

- 59% of respondents met the criteria for severe material deprivation and 21% met criteria for extreme deprivation;
- More than half of the respondents indicated that they often felt very lonely;
- While 87% of respondents said that they were at the service for a food or practical support related reason, more than 89% identified a social support reason for attending the service;
- Some clients had to travel more than 20 kilometres to access services;
- The research found in general that food services can, in addition to providing food, support social inclusion and development of social capital for people at risk of social exclusion.

I have recently had two experiences with the same client who is living in poverty, that really impacted on me. I have been working with this client for some time. He has some mental health issues, is homeless and living on the street. The first was when I went to pick him up from the airport (that's another story) and I expected him to go and get his bags, but of course he had no bags. In fact, he has nothing other than the clothes that he was standing in.

The second was when I was leaving the Canberra Theatre, having just seen an amazing performance of "Wicked" and almost tripped over someone sleeping on the cement in a small alcove next to the exit stairs. It was our client asleep in one of our swags and sleeping bags.

Even though I work on a daily basis with people living in poverty, the situations that some of them live in continue to surprise and concern me. I encourage us all to work towards solutions to this pervasive social issue in the ACT and more broadly.

Wish list: Bed sheets (single, double and queen), milk (powdered and long life), toiletries, tinned tomatoes.



Stuart Davis-Meehan, Director

PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- ◆ We pray for the people of the USA that they will turn out and vote wisely in the election of their next President.
- ◆ We pray for the people of Syria & Iraq and especially the town of Aleppo caught up in the horror of civil war.

IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ We pray for the families and staff affected by the tragedy at Dreamworld earlier this week.
- ◆ We pray for the unemployed and the working poor who face such wearying difficulty in their day-to-day lives.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- ◆ We pray for the churches in Papua New Guinea, Bendel, Nigeria and South Carolina.
- ◆ We pray for the bishops, clergy and people of the Dioceses of Adelaide and Armidale.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- ◆ We pray for Vocational Deacons in their specialised ministries particularly Archdeacon Emeritus Anne Ranse and Susan Joy Nevile.
- ◆ We pray for the retired Diocesan Clergy, Clergy widows and widowers.

MISSION

- ◆ We pray for the Anglican Board of Mission - Australia, National Home Mission Fund, The Bush Church Aid Society, Church Missionary Society, Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge – Australia, Church Army, Mission to Seafarers, Anglican Overseas Aid Agency and Bible Society.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ We pray for Margaret who is preparing for her induction this coming week.
- ◆ We continue to pray for our wardens, staff, parish council and volunteers preparing for both the induction service and fete in the week ahead.
- ◆ We pray for the following members of our parish family: Ruth, Tony and Colman Dunnicliff-Hagan; Ruth Durie; Wendy, Bec and Jono Elkhuisen; James, Danni and Amelia Ellis and Pat Ewing.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer: Bev Barnes and those known to us personally.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Today: **Florence Olsen** (died 1995)

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

Friday: **Paul Free** (died 2010)

Lord,
Hear
Our
Prayer

**Induction of
Reverend Canon Margaret Campbell
1 November**



**7:20pm for 7:30pm
Followed by Supper**

There is a lot happening on 1 Nov this year, some might be following the Melbourne Cup, some might be following the US Presidential Election campaign but here at Holy Covenant we will be celebrating two occasions, All Saints Day and the Induction of our new Rector, The Reverend Canon Margaret Campbell.

The service will start at 7:30pm and everyone is invited to join the celebration. The wardens would like to encourage everyone to arrive early and be seated by 7:20pm. If you are participating in the service please arrive by 7pm. Clergy are invited to robe in the Rainbow Centre.

There will also be an induction rehearsal on Monday 31 Oct at 7:30pm. Please be prompt so we can all get away on time.

If you are interested in participating in the choir or music for the night, please speak to Nic Platt or Jodie Petrov.

There will be a supper afterwards. If you can assist with that, please speak to Penny Lilley who will be co-ordinating the supper.

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 and the Induction will be conducted by the Assistant Bishop, The Right Revd Trevor Edwards.

Parish Council Report ...

These are the salient points from 18 October meeting:

- Briefings on the roles and operation of parish teams are being assembled for our new Rector.
- The financial position of the parish remains positive and within the revised Budget agreed by PC in July 2016.
- Planning for the mini-fete/plant sale was reviewed and actions outlined.
- Last reports to PC were received from our warmly appreciated Locums.
- Reports from parish teams were received with thanks. Most required no action from PC this month.
- Funding from the ACT Government for the Covenant Care program will cease at the end of June 2017; options for the future will be discussed between the management committees for Covenant Care and Holistic Care Nursing, and Anglicare. These two programs might be merged.
- The Welcome Process for new people in the parish has been reviewed and refined, and the Parish Directory now includes information on Diocesan and Holy Covenant processes to ensure Safe Ministries.
- The Belonging and Caring team has taken up actions from the communications survey conducted some time ago.
- **Elections for Parish Councillors and Wardens will be held on Sunday 4 December. Nomination forms with attached Parish Leadership Statutory Declaration forms will be available from Sunday 6 November. (The elected people will take office from the AGM in February 2017.)**
- **During the week beginning Sunday 20 November 2016, the five-yearly National Church Life Survey will be undertaken during each service and activity in the parish. More information will be provided closer to the time.**

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



We now have convenors for all stalls - WHITE ELEPHANT, BOOKS, PLANTS, CAFE, CAKE STALL, SAUSAGE SIZZLE.

WE NEED PEOPLE TO SIGN UP ON THE NOTICEBOARD PLEASE, AS

- HELPERS on the stalls and
- PROVIDERS of cakes for the cake stall (convened by Helen Boulton) and
- PROVIDERS of refreshments for the cafe (convened by Phyl Holmes) - other than scones, already promised.

If you wish to bring **plants** a day or so ahead of Saturday 5 November, they can be left behind the gate at the Rainbow Centre- otherwise, bring as early as possible on the day.

More **books** required please—leave behind the sound system.

THANK YOU ALL !!

Farewell Morning Tea for our Locums TODAY @ 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.



The office will be closed
8—9—10 November
as Libby will be away

Notice the **new bookcase** at
the entry??

Thank you to Bob and Kath
Arthur for their sourcing and
supplying it.

Baptism of Evangeline Mikaela Sharrad

Today at 2.30pm

Michael and Lucia Sharrad are bringing their daughter Evangeline for Baptism today. **All are welcome to attend** and support them. Evangeline's mum, dad and brothers Elijah and Zachary; her grandmother Theresa Jokisch and her aunty and cousin Isabel and Ta'isz Jokisch are part of the Holy Covenant community. We look forward to welcoming Evangeline in baptism today. Please keep Evangeline and her family in your prayers.



Phil Perman

Phil died at the Hospice last
Sunday morning at dawn.

Phil's funeral service will be
conducted in the Worship Centre
at 1.30pm

Wednesday 2 November

Feel free to support Jenny and
family in attending.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Today: **Ian Matters**
Thursday: **Tobias Neville**

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



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. There will be a signup sheet this Sunday to register your interest.



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.

Judge Not Others

I dreamed that death came the other night
and heaven's gate swung wide,
with kindly grace, an angel
ushered me inside.

And there to my astonishment
stood folk I'd known on earth,
some I'd judged and labelled
as unfit or of little worth.
Indignant words rose to my lips,
but never were set free
for every face showed stunned
surprise,
no one expected me.

(prayer read by Revd Rob during
Sunday 16 October service)

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- ♦ **Interplay: Discover your Playful Voice**, Sat **5 Nov**, O'Connor Uniting Church, RSVP 0408 601 637.
- ♦ **CES Public Forum**: 'Does Beauty Say Adieu? The Call of Beauty in a Disfigured World'. Speakers: Revd Dr Graeme Garrett and Dr Jan Morgan focus on the sacred nature of our world. At ACCC, 7.30 pm **Tues 8 Nov**. Don: \$5. Supper provided.
- ♦ Christ Church Hawker Quarterly Men's Luncheon Forum **Mon 21 Nov**. Birrigai Café, Kangara Waters. RSVPs to Bruce Hooley (brucehooley.1@bigpond.com or 6251 7124) or by Thursday 17 November please!

Roster Unavailability



**November and December 2016
January 2017**

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


DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG!

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

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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 6 November – 25th after Pentecost

8.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION	Celebrant: Revd Margaret Campbell Preacher: Revd Margaret Campbell	
10.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION, Children's Church & Youth Group	Celebrant: Revd Margaret Campbell Preacher: Revd Margaret Campbell	
3.30 pm	Rainbow Fellowship	3.00 pm The Challenge of Advent	

	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Kerin and Brian Cox	Jo and Gareth James
Readers	Tony Willis Kerin Cox Katherine Rainger	Andrew Hill Sandra Ross Simon De Vere
Intercessor	Bob Arthur	George Gerrity
Organist	Kath Arthur	Pam Lane
Word & Prayer	Paul Shelley	Joh Sheehan
Deacon	Katherine Rainger	Anne Ranse
Cup	Katherine Rainger Paul Shelley	Anne Ranse, Vera De Vere, Neville Hurst, George Gerrity Extra Bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	TBA	TBA
Children's Church		Rika, TBC helper, Katherine, Karen M/Tea: Jodie Petrov
Counting	Ted Lilley, Clive Rodger	Neville Hurst, Simon De Vere
Flowers	Jen Collier	
Cleaning	Heather and Paul Shelley	

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TODAY

SENTENCE: Today salvation has come to this house, for the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost. - *Luke 19:10*

READINGS:

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2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19: 1-10



8 am HYMNS

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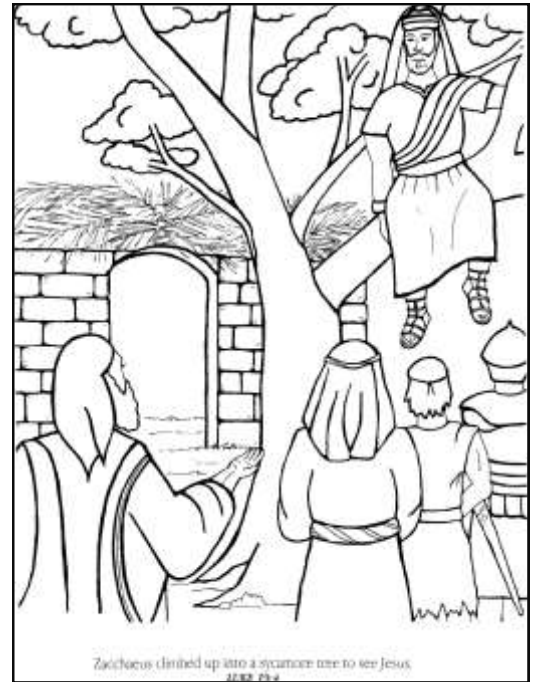
PRAYER

Merciful God,
righteous Judge of all,
who sent Jesus among us to seek and to save
those who are lost.

Grant that we may eagerly seek the Saviour,
and joyfully welcome him into our homes and
lives.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

AMEN



	8.00am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Carol and Peter Sherman	Dorothy and Neville Hurst
Readers	- Steve Daniels Anne Ranse	- Jayne Murray Neville Hurst
Intercessor	Paul Shelley	Bruce Barnes
Organist	Heather Shelley	Clare Lawlor
Word & Prayer	Paul Shelley	James Ellis
Deacon	Anne Ranse	
Cup	Paul Shelley Anne Ranse	James Ellis, Rob Maron, Katherine Rainger, George Gerrity Extra Bread: Rob Miners
Morning Tea	TBA	TBA
Children's Church		Mary, Jenny, Katherine, Karen M/tea: Jodie Petrov
Counters	Rhonda Thorpe, Peter Sherman	Martin Lange, Naomi Cole