

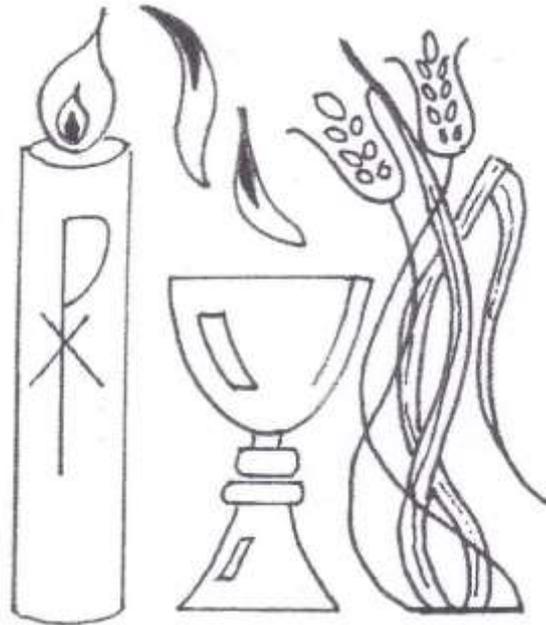
HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

BULLETIN

**JANUARY
2017**

EDITION



*When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among people,
To make music in the heart.*

Howard Thurman



January services

9.00 am

HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant and Preacher: Revd Canon Margaret Campbell

Welcome to Holy Covenant

It is my prayer that you will find God's grace and peace with us today. A detailed parish information brochure is available at the sound desk alcove.

For your information today:

The **8 am service** uses a green prayer book and a red hymn book. The service assistant will tell us the **page** number for the green book and the **hymn** (not the page) number for the red book.

The **10 am service** has everything needed on PowerPoint. Some parts of the service like the Hymn of Praise and the Gloria are sung. The musical settings are available in a black plastic folder on the bookcase at the door of the church.

COMMUNION We are an Anglican community and share the common cup. If you would prefer not to (or you are not feeling well today) an intincting cup is available. Hold your wafer of bread and an assistant will bring the small cup to you.

Gluten free wafers are available. Please ask the priest distributing the breads.

God invites us **all** to share this holy meal. Regardless of your denomination (or none) you are welcome to participate. If you are uncomfortable with this, please come for a blessing.

You may like to light a candle in the **CHAPEL** at the back of the Worship Centre following communion.

MORNING TEA Following both services tea and coffee are served from the kitchen. Raisin toast (self-service) is also available. We love to have a chat. Please join us.

TOILETS are found through the door past the kitchen. A baby change area is located in the Disabled toilet. Please take all used nappies with you.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Emergency evacuation diagrams are displayed at the back and front of the Worship Centre.

First aid boxes are found in the kitchen. Please ask for help if you need it.

A **HEARING LOOP** is available. Sit anywhere in the church and have your hearing aid on the T setting.



CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

have their own groups during the 10 am service. The young people start in the service and go out with their leaders after the first hymn, returning to share communion with the whole community. You are welcome to stay with your child.

Don't worry about missing the sermon 😊 it is recorded and available on the web page.

Our parish supports the work of **ST JOHN'S CARE**, a relief agency of St John's Church, Reid. Donations of non-perishable food can be placed in the basket found near the door of the church.

GIFT-GIVING Our church is self-supporting. Your donations will help us continue Jesus' work: a space to worship God, care for the vulnerable amongst us, teach and nurture our children and provide hospitality to the community.

During the third hymn a plate will be passed amongst the congregation. Please contribute as you are able.

Regular Holy Covenant worshippers may wish to give via direct debit to our bank account – Commonwealth Bank, Jamison, BSB: 062 907 Account: 802 588.

We are committed to ensuring our community is safe for all who worship or visit here. The Diocesan hotline number is 1800070511 if you have any concerns.

With God's blessings,

Canon Margaret, Rector

FROM OUR RECTOR ...

Epiphany

Have you thought about the people God chose to announce the birth of his Son, Jesus?

First there was an old couple who didn't believe they could have a child – Zechariah and Elizabeth.

Then there was a young, unmarried girl who had to tell her intended (a tradesman) their first born wouldn't be his – Mary and Joseph.

And some angels – who created a stir but seem to miss the mark by doing so out in the hills.

The shepherds – not exactly the centre of society, certainly not the best dressed (or smelling, I imagine).

Finally the astrologers who came from a country so far away it took two years for the journey.

I don't think a media adviser would consider any of these the wisest choice for spreading such important news.

God asks each of us to spread the news of Jesus. Before we wonder if we are good enough, just think about those first messengers. Each of them had an epiphany – a sudden moment of realization that they had met the Messiah, who would make their lives completely different. None of them were influential or important in society (in Israel).

If they can tell the story, so can we. God is with us! Jesus our Lord!

Margaret

Parish Information

One of the best ways for us to be a living community is being able to connect with each other. To do this we need to have up to date personal information. The beginning of the year seems a good time to check this.

We live in a world where people, for very valid reasons, want to keep some information about themselves private (I know I do). To make sure we both protect your privacy and allow ourselves to be contactable I'm hoping you will be willing to fill in a new **parish permission** form, available now at the back of the church.

The purpose is to produce three separate documents.

1. Parish ROLL will contain people's names, addresses, phone numbers, emails, family members etc. It will only be available to parish staff and will **not** be given to parishioners. This will be a **confidential** document.

2. Parish DIRECTORY will contain people's names, phone numbers and email addresses. It will be available on Sundays and by request from the parish office. (Because the parish

centre is used for outside groups during the week it isn't appropriate to leave it there.) **Parishioners can use this to contact others.**

3. Parish INFORMATION Booklet will contain information about the parish and all its groups. **It will contain phone numbers of people who are conveners of groups.**

As well as contact information we are asking if you are willing for photos/videos of yourself, *and* your family members, to be included in the bulletin, on the web page and on our new facebook page. **Photos/videos used on the web and facebook will not contain identifying names unless we ask you for a specific event/time.**

Please take a few minutes at the end of the service to fill in your contact information form and place it in the **purple box** on the information table.

The parish currently follows the Diocesan Privacy Policy and Parish Council is finalising its own policy which will be available soon on our web site.

Canon Margaret

PRAYER POINTS FOR JANUARY

IN THE WORLD

- ◆ God's grace and compassion to guide the decision makers of nations and communities.
- ◆ All vulnerable people searching for peace and security.

IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ ACT Legislative Assembly members.
- ◆ Emergency workers in this season of possible fire and floods.

IN THE CHURCH

- ◆ Persecuted sisters and brothers around the world.
- ◆ Leaders of the Anglican Church in Australia including our Primate, Philip Freier, Archbishop of Melbourne.
- ◆ Brothers and sisters of other faiths and grace in all our relationships.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ Safety for all on holidays this season.
- ◆ Relaxation and refreshment for all our teachers and students.
- ◆ All those we know who are ill and those who care for them.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Fri 6 Jan: Ron Grant (died 2011)

Sat 7 Jan: Pierre Elkhuizen (died 2007)

Thurs 19 Jan: Andre D'Cruz (died 2000)

Tues 24 Jan: Companions of Paul, including Timothy, Titus and Silas

Mon 30 Jan: Juliette Bowie (died 2002)

Prayer Vine requests in January

Any prayer requests from 1 to 15 January please send to pastoralcare@holycovenant.org.au

From 15 Jan to 31 Jan please send to phylandreg@optusnet.com.au

From 1 February the prayer vine will revert to prayervine@holycovenant.org.au



HELP NEEDED ...



So many in our community need our assistance and there are many we are helping. But the HCN ministry needs more volunteers to enable us to do this.

If you are considering doing some volunteering this year then maybe the HCN ministry is for you.

Prayerfully consider this thought over the holiday period. All volunteers are welcome and I would really like **two active people** who could commit to 1½ hours a week or fortnight for specific tasks. A very big thank you to those who already give of their time to this amazing ministry.

blessings,
Archdeacon Anne

THANK YOU ...

Dear Holy Covenant,

Thank you for the very generous gift of the 'Feasting on the Word' preaching commentary series. I can't believe I have the whole lot! I look forward to preparing many more sermons using the wisdom they contain. Thank you also for the financial gift which will be helpful for my sabbatical travel. I'm very grateful.

Thank you for being a Parish where I could grow, learn, make mistakes and serve. I have enjoyed being part of such an inclusive and welcoming place of worship.

May God continue to bless you all,
Rev Katherine Rainger

(Ed: 8 January is Katherine's last Sunday at Holy Covenant before she heads overseas for anyone wanting to wish her well)



CUPPA AND CONVERSATION

At a loose end in January? We are having morning tea again this year. Please come guys and gals as it provides an opportunity to catch up with friends or make new ones.

When: 10am— 12 noon every Wednesday in January.

Where: The Worship Centre



REMINDER TO STAFF AND MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

We would like to have your Annual Reports for 2016 by **Thursday 26 January 2017** so they can be made available to parishioners before the AGM on **Tuesday 21 February**



Ed: Don't forget to exercise your mind, body and spirit during the holidays.

ANGLICAN NEWS

for December is available from the Diocesan Website.

Click on the Anglican News button on the right hand side.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY IN 2017

Education for Ministry is both theological discussion and theological reflection in a group learning community. If you are interested in learning more about EFM and thinking you would like to join us this year there will be an information and registration evening (date to be advised). In the meantime you can speak to Merri Bacon 6251 1110 or Nic Platt 6251 6170.



SAVE THE DATES

PLEASE!!
NOTE

- ♦ From 1 January to 29 January inclusive - only one Service
- ♦ Tuesday 31 January - Parish Council Meeting
- ♦ Sunday 5 February - 8am and 10am Holy Communion services recommence along with Children's Church and Youth Group.
- ♦ Tuesday 21 February - Annual General Meeting
- ♦ October 13 - 15 - Retreat at Galong
- ♦ 9-28 April 2018 Margaret will be leading a trip to the UK exploring our Christian heritage, finishing at Iona. Details from Canon Margaret.



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

2 nd	Mark Webb
6 th	Ann Bazeos
7 th	Jodie Petrov
8 th	Hilary Harris, Glenys Wimmer
10 th	Kate King
11 th	Alan Duncan, Penny Lilley
14 th	Tobias Feitz
16 th	Peter Bazeos, Jenny Tompkins
17 th	Deranie Jackson
19 th	Vera de Vere
20 th	Kevin Squair
21 st	Matthew Trigge, Mary David-Hoole
24 th	Andrew Dudzinski
25 th	Elizabeth Grant
26 th	Alison Campbell
28 th	Imogen Allen
31 st	Val Newton



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

WITHIN THE PARISH

ACTIVITIES CURRENTLY IN RECESS		RETURNING
Sunday	Children's Church & Youth Group Rainbow Fellowship	5 February 2017 5 February 2017
Monday	Covenant Care Crafty Crew	6 February (10 am) 20 February (9.30 am)
Tuesday	Meditation & BYO lunch	3 January (12.30 pm)
Wednes- day	Service and lunch Ever Active Class Meditation	3 February (12 noon) 25 January (2 pm) Late January (6 pm)
Thursday	Scrabble Book Club	5 January (9.30 am) 23 February (2 pm)
Friday	Play Group	3 February (10 am)

Roster unavailability

For those of you normally on roster, please indicate for **February and March** those dates you are not available. The spreadsheet will be on the sign-up wall by mid-January.



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

Work Health and Safety

All ministry leaders, staff and any other person who has any Parish work health and safety concerns are to report their concerns *in writing* to the Safety Team: Mel Browning, George Gerrity & Joh Sheehan.

A hard copy of the policy is held in the office.

**SAFETY
MATTERS**



Ed: Rest and recuperation is also important.



ON THE NOTICE BOARD

Peter Pan musical production at Belconnen Theatre, 6-21 January. Starring our own Emily Pogson as Wendy. See <https://www.canberraticketing.com.au/show/peter-pan-musical/>

One year of life is worth more than twenty years of hibernation

Anthony de Mello



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You never listen properly.
You're gonna be in so much trouble!

The end of the year is near,
and we are of good cheer,
and think about the time that has past.
We reflect on what we've done
on the mundane and the fun,
and on those who helped it come to pass.
Thank you one and all,
for answering the call,
and for sharing the load we all bear.
Consider yourself named,
and your appreciation framed,
But individual thanks, we don't dare!
For when we name just one,
and the list is begun,
alas, someone will surely be forgot!
We care too much for you
and all that you do
that you may think we remember you not!!!

To absolutely everyone who has helped make Holy Covenant
a loving, caring, Christ centred community in 2016,
THANK YOU and GOD BLESS YOU



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Happy New Year!

Welcome to the first Weekly Edition for 2017.

As Stuart mentioned in the last edition, he is on leave throughout January. I have already had the first e mail from him complete with excellent photo from Waterford in Ireland. I am sure he and Ellen will have a well-earned rest this month and come back ready for another challenging year.

We had a wonderful lunch on Christmas Day attended by over 200 people. There were a huge number of volunteers who helped to make the day very special for all our guests. We had lovely food, music, a visit from Santa Claus much to the delight of the children who each received a gift and lolly bags to take home. As well, OzHarvest delivered fresh food on Christmas Eve and we opened Wild Honey so our guests could take home some food to keep them going over the Christmas break. A very big thank you to everyone who helped make it such a wonderful occasion either by donating food or money, by preparing food beforehand or by turning up on the day to help out with various tasks. A special thank you to Annette and Bruce, Claire and Renee who were team leaders for the day in the kitchen, dessert room and hall and made my job so much easier.

One of the great things about the day was that some volunteers who knew little about us were given a guided tour of our facilities and want to become involved in some way throughout the year. We also made contact with several new people through the lunch preparations and hopefully they too will help out again. Our volunteer base is aging, so it is vital to get new people involved.

I want to make special mention of Norm and Dawn McKay from St Peter's Weston. Now in their 80s, they have decided to step down from a range of activities including assisting SJC. They have been fantastic supporters over many years and in various forms including collecting food, making up Christmas hampers and cooking casseroles. SJC owes both a big debt of gratitude. Thank you.

We saw over 300 clients during December and but for being closed for the last week of the month we might have reached 400. The first couple of days of January have also been busy as many people need help with food and other assistance.

Thank you to all who have helped us help our clients in 2016. Without you, we couldn't do what we do. We hope to have your continued support in 2017 as we continue our work.

Wish list: vegemite, long life milk, pasta sauce, shampoo & conditioner.

Rhonda Thorpe
Operations Manager



All Donations to St John's Care are Tax Deductible

ROSTERS in JANUARY

	8 January	15 January
Sidespersons	Prue and Ken Wedgwood	Jennifer Collier, Tony Willis
Readers	Rosemary Kennemore Jayne Murray Andrew Hill	Kate King Tony Willis Anne Ranse
Intercessor	George Gerrity	Bob Arthur
Organist	Heather Shelley	Pam Lane
Word & Prayer	Joh Sheehan	Steve Daniel
Deacon	Anne Ranse	Anne Ranse
Cup	Anne Ranse, Rob Maron, George Gerrity, Rosemary K. Extra bread: Katherine Rainger	Anne Ranse, Steve Daniels, Leo Wimmer, Phyl Holmes Extra Bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Pam Lane, Mandy Squair	Jen Collier, Beth Heyde
Children's Church	In Recess until 5 February	Colouring-in sheets near mat
Counters	Jen Collier, Rob Maron	Colin Lyons, Neville Hurst



Thank You!

	22 January	29 January
Sidespersons	Sandra Ross, Reg Holmes	Helen and Harris Boulton
Readers	Doreen Matters Sandra Ross Simon De Vere	Dorothy Hurst Neville Hurst Anne Ranse
Intercessor	Jen Collier	James Ellis
Organist	Mandy Squair	Rhys Thorpe
Word & Prayer	Paul Shelley	Tobias Nevile
Deacon	Anne Ranse	Anne Ranse
Cup	Anne Ranse, Paul Shelley, Vera De Vere, Doreen Matters Extra Bread: Anne Dudzinski	Anne Ranse, Tobias Nevile, Neville Hurst, Doreen Matters Extra Bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Merri Bacon, Danni Ellis	Youth Group
Children's Church	Colouring-in sheets near mat	In Recess until 5 February
Counters	Peter Sherman, Naomi Cole	Tony Willis, Quentin Grafton

JANUARY READINGS AND HYMNS

DATE:	READINGS:	HYMNS:
8 January	Isaiah 60: 1-6 Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 Ephesians 3: 1-12 Matthew 2: 1-12	309 291 454 314
15 January	Isaiah 49: 1-7 Psalm 40: 1-14 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 John 1: 29-42	477 264 534 28
22 January	Isaiah 9: 1-4 Psalm 27: 1-10 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 Matthew 4: 12-25	274 611 690 624
29 January	Micah 6: 1-8 Psalm 15 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31 Matthew 5: 1-12	618 491 254 183



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