

# HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

**Third Sunday of  
Easter**

**30 April 2017**



*Welcome back for anyone who has been away for school holidays or has simply been away.*

*Please join us for morning tea after the service.*

### TODAY'S SERVICES

**8.00 am**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Celebrant and Preacher: Revd Canon Margaret Campbell

**10.00 am**

**HOLY COMMUNION, Children's Church and Youth Group**

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.

Parish Council are committed to a **safe work and meeting space**. If you have any issues with the physical

surroundings, please speak with a warden.

## 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

Dear Friends,

This weekend marks 6 months of my time at Holy Covenant. Thank you all so much for your welcome and support. I am very happy here.

My intention, when I arrived, was to immerse myself in as much as I could for the first six months, then take two weeks leave to sit and reflect and plan. I have two weeks minding a cousin's home at Tuncurry. I've timed it for the beginning of winter so I can chase the sun just a few weeks more. 😊

As you know there has been much going on in my family as well, with the long-term hospitalisation of my mother in law, which has added to my daily tasks. I have also managed to tear a significant ligament in my knee and will require, at the least, intensive physio over the next few weeks. So I have also arranged to take some personal leave at the beginning of May, to allow for rehab and also to de-stress for a little while. I will be away from the parish for the whole of May.

Many thanks to the other clergy (and guests) who have offered to cover for me during this time. It will be a great month of worship. And thanks to you for understanding. When I get these things under control I will come back refreshed and renewed for the next six months.

Last night Parish Council agreed to hold a strategic planning day later in the year. By that time I will have been here for nearly a year, and the council would have had time to pray about future directions of the parish. The timing works in well with my leave.

So, if you have something burning in your heart, pray about it for the next little while, and then contact a councillor and share it. We are a bunch of creative people who have been blessed with thinking outside the square – where is God leading us next?

I look forward to being amongst you again in June. I pray God continues to bless us all in this community and guide and direct us into our future in God's kingdom.

By the way – have you thought about travelling next year? We have a good number for our ABC tour of Britain, but need a few more to make it a viable trip. Would you like to come? Or invite a friend?

With God's blessings,

Margaret

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 \* SOMEONE WHO DOES? \*  
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 \* pastoralcare@holycovenant.org.au or \*  
 \* office@holycovenant.com.au \*  
 \* She will confidentially pass your request on to clergy, \*  
 \* casserole bank or someone who may be able to help. \*  
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## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

### THE WALK TO EMMAUS

*Let him easter in us, be a dayspring to the dimness of us, be a crimsoncrested east.*

(Gerard Manley Hopkins, 19th C. priest and poet)

The Easter break may now be only a wistful memory, but the liturgical season of Easter continues to invite us to 'let him easter in us'. What might Hopkins mean by this striking phrase? His wordplay linking Easter to the darkness-dispelling rising sun reminds us of the ongoing cycles of death and renewal to be found at the heart of life – if we have eyes to see.

It is interesting how much attention is given to seeing in today's resurrection story. Cleopas and his unnamed companion who were returning to Emmaus in the late afternoon of the day of the resurrection didn't have eyes to see that Jesus had joined them. Indeed the text tells us they 'were kept from recognising him'. We can imagine they were not too keen on having an apparent stranger intrude on their grief and confusion as they discussed the events of the previous three days. Significantly Jesus does not disclose who he is. Rather he draws them out by asking them questions about what is concerning them. There is an exquisite irony in their response: 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' For them rumours of an empty tomb have only added to their grief and confusion. Even when he chides them for not understanding what the prophets had foretold, they still do not recognise him. Yet they offer him hospitality for the night, and it is in the breaking of the bread that 'their eyes were opened'. Interestingly, he 'vanishes from their sight' as soon as they recognise him. And they can't wait to make the return trip to Jerusalem to share the good news with the disciples gathered there.

This beautifully crafted vignette with its psychological and spiritual realism and wonderful irony has much to offer us about what it might mean to let Jesus 'easter in us'. Most of us know what it is like to feel lost and confused, to have our hopes dashed. For us, as for them, it might take time for light to dawn, for us to let go of our expectations of how life should be ('we hoped, but now...') to find the blessing in what is. May we, like those early disciples, offer hospitality to the divine companion (literally, the one who breaks bread with), even when s/he comes in disguise. Perhaps we too might say in hindsight: 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road?' (v. 32)

*Frances MacKay, 2014*

### SAVE THE DATES

- # Fri 19 May - Men's Dinner
- # Sat 20 May - Covenant Care garage sale, Morning Tea & BBQ
- # Fri 26 May - Women's Dinner
- # Sat 27 May - SJC collection at Jamison Shops
- # Sat 22 July - Parish Dinner
- # 13 to 15 October - Retreat at Galong
- # Sat 28 October - Mini fete and plant sale



## GARAGE SALE, MORNING TEA & BBQ

in Worship Centre

Saturday 20 May: 9am to 2pm



### Raising funds for Covenant Care - We need your help

Please clean out your garage, your wardrobes, under the bed. We accept all clean saleable goods—not clothing or electrics. Deliver them to the Worship Centre on Friday evening from 6pm when we start sorting.

We also need help with cooks to make cakes and slices for the morning teas.

Members of Parish Council will run BBQ, Deranie Jackson is running the morning teas and Anne Ranse is in charge of the garage sale. They will need helpers.

This is a joint initiative between Covenant Care volunteers and Holy Covenant parishioners to help fund Covenant Care activities for our clients.

Queries can be directed to Wendy Elkhuisen on 0408 582829 or at [weeklybulletin@holycovenant.org.au](mailto:weeklybulletin@holycovenant.org.au).

### ST JOHN'S CARE COLLECTION AT JAMISON, 27 MAY

St John's Care are running really low on their supplies. We are having our mid-year collection at Jamison Plaza on **Saturday 27 May**. This event provides a major contribution of food and groceries to St John's Care. We will also have a cake stall raising funds for Holy Covenant.

#### Can you help in any of these ways:

- Provide shoppers with a list of products as they enter Coles and Aldi.
- Load trolleys of groceries, take to cars - and then to Holy Covenant - during the morning
- Cook for the Holy Covenant cake stall
- Serve on the cake stall

**Sign-up sheet** is at the back of the church.

Any enquiries, contact Harris Boulton (6251 2078 or [hnboulton@gmail.com](mailto:hnboulton@gmail.com))



## Food Collection

## WITHIN THE PARISH

### *Women's Dinner*

7pm Friday 26 May

In the Worship Centre

\$15 per person for pizza and dessert (gluten free options will be available)

**BYO** wine - soft drinks will be available

Please put your name on the sign up sheet



# Thank You!

## Electronic Keyboard

Thanks to all who made a donation for our new keyboard. We received over \$900.

## Community Lunch

Thanks to Penny, John our guest speaker and all the volunteers whose efforts made it so successful.

## “SHARING OUR STORY”

Would you like to expand your understanding of indigenous culture and identity?

"Sharing our Story" is a four-episode DVD resource developed by Australians Together, a Christian organisation dedicated to promote understanding between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

We will listen to the stories of indigenous people, as told in the DVDs, explore our responses to them in group discussion, learn about our shared history and gain an increased understanding how we can live together in better relationship in the future.

**You are invited to start a personal journey to discover more about what's happened in the past and what's happening now.**

We also plan to have an Indigenous person come and speak at one of the sessions.

If you are able to come to some but not all of the four sessions you can watch the DVD's on Australians Together's website.

Facilitator: Anne McDowell      Venue: **Rainbow Centre**

**Wednesday evenings, 7.30pm – 9pm, 3, 10, 17, 31 May (note: not 24 May)**

**Friday mornings, 10.30am – 12pm, 11, 18, 25 May and 2 June.**

**Please register interest on sign up sheet on side wall.**

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday	Eleanor James
Tuesday	Lucia Jokisch, Susan Joy Nevile
Wednesday	Prue Wedgwood
Thursday	Isobel James



*If you would like your name in the Birthday Book, tick the box on the permission form and place it in the purple box.*

## WITHIN THE PARISH

YOU'D BE WELCOME AT . . . .

### TAI CHI

**Wednesdays 9.30—10.30am**

There are beginners and folk who have been doing Tai Chi for years and help is given. No one is the teacher although there are 3 ex-teachers in the group. Simply turn up or contact Gillian 6253 1058.

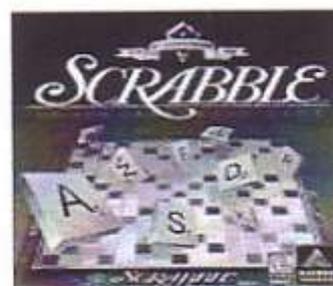


### EVER ACTIVE EXERCISE CLASS

**Wednesdays 2 - 3pm.** Conducted by the YMCA. \$10 per class. The classes are held in the church and are aimed at ages 60+. Simply turn up, or contact parish office on 6251 6100

### SCRABBLE - Thursdays 9.30am.

A friendly mixed group with players of a range of skills. In the Rainbow Centre. All equipment and morning tea provided. \$1 per morning. Coaching also available. Just turn up or contact Gillian 6253 1058 or Helen 6251 2078.



### JAMISON BOOK CLUB

**Third Thursday of each month at 2pm** in the Rainbow Centre. Books available from the Belconnen Library Service and own choices for scheduled meetings. 50c per meeting. Contact Gillian 6253 1058 or Libby 6251 1845.

## WITHIN THE PARISH AND ...

Make Mum feel special all year round!



**Holy Covenant Anglican Church is raising funds. Here's how you can help...**

Support the church by buying the NEW 2017/2018 Entertainment Membership for your Mum, other family members, or even spoil yourself this Mother's Day. Entertainment Memberships are filled with hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you'll be helping our fundraising at the same time!

Entertainment books are now available to order online

[www.entbook.com.au/247m23](http://www.entbook.com.au/247m23)

The cost is \$60 and Holy Covenant receives \$12 for each book we sell.

Contact Hilary Harris on 6251 8166 for more details.



### April Anglican News

Electronically available:

[www.anglicancg.org.au/data/Anglican\\_News/Anglican\\_News\\_-\\_April\\_2017\\_A4.pdf](http://www.anglicancg.org.au/data/Anglican_News/Anglican_News_-_April_2017_A4.pdf)

Limited number of hardcopies will soon be available at the rear of church.

**The church carpet was recently cleaned. If you spill or drop anything please clean it up immediately.**

## ON THE NOTICEBOARD

- ♦ **CES Public Forum:**  
**Topic:** "Defiant Earth: The Fate of Humans in the Anthropocene";  
**Speaker:** Prof. Clive Hamilton;  
**Chair:** Bishop George Browning;  
**At:** Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture,  
**When:** 7.30 pm Wednesday 3 May.  
**Donation:** \$5. Supper provided.
- ♦ Hawker Men's Luncheon Forum, Monday 8 May, Birrigai Café, Kangara Waters, RSVP 4 May.
- ♦ Taizé prayer retreat is being organised by the Canberra Taize group. 2-4 June 2017, Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville NSW.
- ♦ The Canberra Taizé group meets regularly for prayer every second Sunday of the month at Weston Creek Uniting Church at 5.30pm.

### Please note all kitchen users

A **Bokashi** system has been set up to collect and process all kitchen waste before adding to the compost bins - a great source of nutrients for the garden.

A white enamel pot is located on the bench to the left of the main kitchen sink to collect the waste. Coffee grains, fruit and vegetable peelings, plate scrapings, bread crusts, as well as fresh and cooked fish and meat scraps but no MEAT bones please. A wire strainer for the coffee grains clearly marked 'Compost only' is hanging beneath the sink. Judith Ann Daniells will look after the Bokashi bin, but users of the kitchen are asked to put the waste into the enamel pot when cleaning up please.



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## Workplace Change – an ever present constant!

“Nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes.” Well, I might want to add some other things to that list, and one of them is “change”. I am not sure if it is scientifically correct to say that change is certain, but I think it is.

A colleague of mine once said that our work wasn't about creating change, it was just about managing it, as it is forever going on around us. Such is the case with the staff at St John's Care.

You may remember that I returned from my overseas holiday at the end of January to the news that our Community Worker, Saerah, had accepted a full-time job in the public service. In my last edition, I noted that we had appointed her replacement and she will start on 1<sup>st</sup> May.

We also welcomed Richie as our second youth outreach worker during the year and it has been a pleasure working with James, who filled in over the past 5 weeks while Rhonda has been on annual leave.

This last week I regretfully accepted the resignation of Angie, our Finance and Administration Officer. Angie came to us following the retirement of Robyn Body and has been with us since February last year. Unfortunately, Angie's circumstances have changed such that she needs the security of fulltime work. It has been wonderful working with her. She has made a very strong contribution to our financial accounting as well as to the work of St John's Care in general, and she will be missed.

So, we are on the lookout for a replacement. The objectives of the position are twofold:

- Manage and maintain the recording and reporting of all financial transactions, using MYOB, to assist the Treasurer to properly present the financial position of the organisation to the Committee on a regular and annual basis; and
- To provide general administrative support to the Director in the day-to-day operation of St John's Care.

If you know anyone that might have suitable skills and is interested in working part time (15 hours per week), preferably on a Friday and Monday, then please ask them to contact me.

I don't think there is anything different about our workplace compared to others, it's just that as people's life circumstances change, often, so do their employment requirements. I wish Angie all the best in her new role and look forward with excitement, to the appointment of a new Finance and Administration Officer at St John's Care.

**Wish list:** shampoo, toothpaste, milk, peanut butter.

**Stuart Davis-Meehan, Director**

*All Donations to St John's Care are Tax Deductible*

# PRAYER POINTS FOR WEEK

## IN THE WORLD

- ◆ Continue to pray for the Coptic Christians in Egypt and give thanks for the closer relationships between religions that have been a result of the tragedy on Palm Sunday
- ◆ Pray for the areas of the world in famine especially remembering East Africa.

## IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ We pray for our Federal and Local Parliamentarians, for wisdom and insight to work for the common good.

## IN THE CHURCH

- ◆ **Mission Agencies:** 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 (formerly AngliCORD), Bible Society
- ◆ **Missionary Work of the Church in Australia & Overseas**
- ◆ **Vocational Deacons in their specialised ministries:** including Archdeacon Emeritus Anne Ranse and Susan Joy Nevile
- ◆ **Diocesan Clergy:** Clergy currently on Long Service Leave, Study Leave or Exchange, Retired Diocesan Clergy
- ◆ **Clergy widows and widowers**
- ◆ **Pray for:** Vocations to missional service both at home and overseas.

## IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ We prayer for teachers, students and their families as schools returned studies this last week.
- ◆ We pray for all members of our parish family including Audrey Dargan, John and Gail Dau and Catherine, Isobel and Barnaby D'Cruz.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer including Bev Barnes, Heather Campbell, Janet Williams and anyone known to us personally.
- ◆ We give thanks for the life of Andrew Grant and we pray for Elizabeth and her family.

## COMMEMORATIONS:

**Monday:** John Wilson (d. 2014)

**Thursday:** Gladys Matilda Gordon Williamson (d. 1994)

**Saturday:** Mavis Roberts (d. 1994)

## IN THE PARISH on Sunday 7 May

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| <b>8 .00 am</b> | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b><br>Celebrant: TBA Preacher: Revd Susan Joy Nevile                     |
| <b>10.00 am</b> | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b><br>Celebrant: Revd Anne Dudzinski.<br>Preacher: Revd Susan Joy Nevile |
| <b>3.30 pm</b>  | <b>Rainbow Fellowship</b>   |

## ROSTER TODAY

	8am	10am
<b>Sidespersons</b>	Carol and Peter Sherman	Neville and Dorothy Hurst
<b>Readers</b>	Rosemary Kennemore Steve Daniels Anne Ranse	Doreen Matters Neville Hurst Anne Ranse
<b>Intercessor</b>	Mel Clark	Merri Bacon
<b>Organist</b>	Mandy Squair	Clare Lawlor
<b>Ministry of the Word</b>	Paul Shelley	Joh Sheehan
<b>Deacon</b>	Anne Ranse	Anne Ranse
<b>Cup</b>	Paul Shelley Anne Ranse	Doreen Matters, Neville Hurst, Tobias Nevile, George Gerrity Extra Bread: Anne Ranse
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Heather Shelley	Youth Group
<b>Children's Church</b>		TBA
<b>Counters</b>	Ted Lilley, Colin Lyons	Graham Bonnett, Chris Olsson
<b>Saturday 6 May</b>	<b>Cleaning:</b> Heather & Paul Shelley	<b>Flowers:</b> Wendy Ward

## FORTNIGHT AHEAD

<b>Mon</b>	<b>1 May</b>	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
<b>Tues</b>	<b>2 May</b>	12.30 pm	Rainbow Centre	Meditation
		4.00 pm	Rainbow Centre	Belonging and Caring meeting
<b>Wed</b>	<b>3 May</b>	9.30 am	Worship Centre	Tai Chi
		12 noon	Worship Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch
		2.00 pm	Worship Centre	Ever Active Exercise Class
		6.00pm	Rainbow Centre	Meditation
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>4 May</b>	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
		1.00 pm	HCN Office	Wellness Clinic (by appt.)
		7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre	EfM
<b>Fri</b>	<b>5 May</b>	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

<b>Mon</b>	<b>8 May</b>	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
		10.00 am	Kangara Waters Care Cntr	Communion Service
		1.30 pm	Calvary Retirement Village	Communion Service
<b>Tues</b>	<b>9 May</b>	12.30 pm	Rainbow Centre	Meditation
<b>Wed</b>	<b>10 May</b>	9.30 am	Worship Centre	Tai Chi
		12 noon	Worship Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch
		2.00 pm	Worship Centre	Ever Active Exercise Class
		6.00 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>11 May</b>	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
		1.00 pm	HCN Office	Wellness Clinic (by appt.)
		7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre	EfM
<b>Fri</b>	<b>12 May</b>	10.00am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

## IN THE SERVICE

### READINGS:

Acts 2: 14a, 36-41  
 Psalm 116: 1-4, 11-18  
 1 Peter 1: 13-25  
 Matthew 28: 8-15a

### HYMNS

392  
 387  
 390  
 379

### COLLECT

God of signs and wonders,  
 you have revealed to us that  
 Jesus Christ is your son and our Saviour.  
 Strengthen our faith  
 that we may have life in Christ's name. **Amen.**



## MINISTRY TEAM

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