



# HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

**1 October 2017**

**Seventeenth Sunday  
after Pentecost**



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.



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

### TODAY IN THE PARISH

**8.00 am** **HOLY COMMUNION**  
Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Emma Street

**10.00 am** **HOLY COMMUNION**  
Celebrant: and Preacher: The Revd Emma Street

**3.00 pm** **Rainbow Fellowship**

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

**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.



**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.

**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.

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

## SAVE THE DATES

- ## 6 - 8 October - HC Youth Camp @ Camp Cottermouth
- # Thurs 12 October - Community Lunch @ HC
- # 13 to 15 October - Retreat at Galong
- # Sat 28 October - Mini fete and plant sale
- # Fri 10 November - **Men's Dinner**
- # Friday 17 November - ~~Women's Dinner~~



## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

### MATT. 21: 23-32. WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

*It takes a lifetime's work to belong fully to your life.*  
John O'Donohue

'By whose authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' It's as if the religious hierarchy is saying, 'Who do you think you are? Who or what gives you the right to teach here in the temple? We certainly haven't.'

Who or what confers authority in today's world where the whole notion of authority has come into question and there is a declining trust in traditional institutions and narratives? The authority conferred by academic training and professional expertise is losing ground in some areas – entrepreneurial success can fare better! A questioning of expertise is certainly part of the current populist trend that gives authority to unlikely (and dangerous) people!

But there is another kind of authority that comes from within and is manifested in a person's behaviour. ('By their fruits you will know them', seems to be the point of the parable about the two sons who were asked to go into the vineyard. What we do is more important than what we say we will do.) This is the authority we see in Jesus. We don't know much about those thirty years before he engaged in public ministry, but we do know of his custom of regularly withdrawing for extended periods of prayer and reflection during his public years. We can imagine this is where he gained his sense of being sent by God, of being one with the Father. This meant that when he did engage in teaching, his listeners recognised that he spoke from first-hand experience, rather than relying on second hand opinions. In other words, 'He spoke with authority, not as the scribes' (Matt. 7:29). Admittedly, he also demonstrated an extensive knowledge of the scriptures and a facility for quoting them in his interaction with the religious 'authorities'!

When John O'Donohue says, 'It takes a lifetime's work to belong fully to your life', I don't think he is just talking about self-actualisation. I think he means that we should allow life/God to teach us what our life is about and where we fit into God's larger story – our mission or life purpose. Through prayer and reflection, we learn to see ourselves and our world as God sees them – broken and beloved. Hopefully, we then learn to respond rather than react, to discern the difference between real and fake news (I am not just talking about passing headlines), and to find the wisdom and courage to live the life that is ours to live.

**- Frances MacKay**

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our lives are a manifestation of what  
we think about God.

- Anon

## IN THE PARISH



### COMMUNITY LUNCH Thursday 12 October 11.30am FOR 12 noon

The guest speaker will be Louisa Roberts;  
her topic: **Adventures on the Wild Side,  
experiences of a Ranger in the Nation's Capital.**

Moved to Canberra to go to uni from Oberon. Completed an honours degree ANU in environmental science in 2004. Worked at Geoscience Australia and the Department of Primary Industries in Victoria before getting a job as a ranger with ACT Parks and Conservation in 2007.

Worked at Namadgi National Park for 8 years before having a break to work in the Implementation side of the environmental offsets program. She is on a different kind of break this year with the arrival of baby ranger Flynn!

There is a **sign-up sheet on the board** and if you can help with providing a slice, sign up for that too!

## I CAN'T WAIT TO TELL YOU...

.. Covenant Care is going extremely well with a new registered nurse whom we had with us when we first opened Covenant Care. She is super efficient and loved by both clients and volunteers—**Welcome Lyn Pascoe!**



Having received the funding for HCNM which will cover all our nursing programmes, the Management Committee is now looking at tightening up all our policies and procedures as well as planning for the future. We have a wonderful bunch of volunteers who put a great effort into the programme and this truly gives our clients 'a great day with a difference'. We have 12 clients at the moment and Lyn will commence a programme shortly to educate Community groups about our service.

We can always do with more volunteers—how about you? Do you have a few hours on a Monday to spare, or even every second Monday? Come and visit—come and talk to us.

Blessings,  
Archdeacon Anne

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

<b>Tuesday</b> <b>03.10.17</b>	12.30 pm 4.00 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation Belonging and Caring Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>04.10.17</b>	9.30 am 12.30 pm 2.00 pm 6.00 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Tai Chi Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation What Do You Seek?
<b>Thursday</b> <b>05.10.17</b>	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
<b>Friday</b> <b>06.10.17</b>	10.30 am	Rainbow Centre	MOTH

After many years of carefully keeping our books, Paul Shelley is moving on to new things and leaving the role of Parish Book Keeper. His gift of time and professionalism to the Parish has underpinned our robust financial position. His departure leaves us with a large gap in the Parish Finance Team which we need to fill.

The Parish is now looking for someone to take on the Book Keeper's role. This role takes responsibility for:

- ♦ Maintaining the electronic upload connection between our bank account and our accounting system (Xero)
- ♦ Scanning paper invoices and arranging payment for both paper and electronic invoices
- ♦ Reconciling our bank accounts on a monthly basis
- ♦ Maintaining the petty cash accounts including topping up the cash and reconciling receipts as required
- ♦ Depositing the Sunday plate takings each week (usually on a Monday)
- ♦ Monitoring cash flows between the Parish Bank Accounts
- ♦ Supporting the Treasurer in making decisions around cash management and reporting on key Parish financial events.

A small honorarium is paid on a monthly basis to cover the costs of the Book Keeper, and we intend that this will continue.

If you are interested in taking on this role, please contact the Office (6251



### HOLY COVENANT PRAYER VINE

#### REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Email: [prayervine@holycovenant.org.au](mailto:prayervine@holycovenant.org.au)

Or Rosemary Kennemore: 6251 2009; [rkmore@grapevine.com.au](mailto:rkmore@grapevine.com.au)

## IN THE PARISH

### Mini-Fete 28 October Volunteers Needed 9.30 am—1.30 pm

Only 4 weeks to get ourselves organised! We need helpers for:

- + The Plant Stall
- + The Café
- + The Book Stall.

#### BOOKS WANTED

Clear your book shelves and restock from the book stall. Books, CDs, all wanted. Please leave them in your boxes near the sound system.



**An opportunity to join with EFM for two weeks in October:**

Holy Covenant's EFM Group will be joining with the St Paul's Manuka Group again for two weeks on 9 and 16 October for our second Interlude for 2017.

If you are interested in joining us for those weeks, please purchase the text for discussion: We are Theologians: Strengthening the people of God by Fredrica Harris Thompson and read it ahead of time

We will meet at St Paul's Manuka at 7pm on 9 and 16 October. All are welcome to join us. Please let Merri Bacon know for numbers.6251 1110 merri.bacon@bigpond.com

**ANGLICAN NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER** is available from the hymn book stand. If you look closely you will see some HC names mentioned.

#### **MOTH** (Monastery of the Heart)

Meets on the first Friday of the Month, 10.30am –12 noon in the Rainbow Centre.

This year they are using the book 'What do you Seek? The Questions of Jesus as Challenge and Promise'.

Facillator: Rob Maron

New members welcome—contact Rob if you need a book. 6251 1825 rofamaron@optusnet.com.au

#### **MORNING TEA ROSTER**

In the absence of a co-ordinator, we are all invited to take a turn to make the tea and coffee after the Services. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet on a day that is convenient for you.

### SAME SEX MARRIAGE CONVERSATIONS

Feeling overwhelmed and confused by the conversation about same-sex marriage?

Our locum, Wayne Brighton, will be holding a conversation series about same-sex marriage called *Being Christ's Body*. The series aims to help Christians talk about their views in ways where everyone gets to feel safe, respected and valued. You might find the series helpful as you try to understand what matters and why.

Depending on interest, the series will run on Sunday afternoons, 3pm in the Rainbow Centre.

Sunday 15 October - What does marriage mean?

Sunday 22 October - Christian marriage, changing world

Sunday 29 October - Living together

These sessions are stand alone, if you can make one and not the other.

The resources and Bishop Stuart's pastoral letter may be downloaded from the links below. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board.

Being Christ's Body: a conversation series about same-sex relationships, marriage and the church <http://www.anglicancg.org.au/data/BCBRelease1CompleteFINAL.compressed.pdf>

Bishop Stuart's pastoral Letter (17 August 2017)

[http://www.anglicancg.org.au/data/Bishops\\_Office/Pastoral\\_Letter - Aust Marriage Law Postal Survey 2017 08 17.pdf](http://www.anglicancg.org.au/data/Bishops_Office/Pastoral_Letter_-_Aust_Marriage_Law_Postal_Survey_2017_08_17.pdf)



THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY YEARS!

## Holy Covenant Parish Retreat

### *Living Contemplatively*

*Life is not the way it's supposed to be.*

*It is the way it is.*

*How we deal with it makes the difference!*



Friday 13 October 2017 –

Sunday 15 October 2017

St Clement's, Kalangan Road, Galong, NSW

This retreat will be facilitated by Rob Maron, a member of our 10 am congregation.

Living contemplatively is a way of seeking God's presence in the midst of life's challenges, or to put it another way, of being present to a presence that is already there. During the retreat we will be exploring writings and practices that will help us to live more contemplatively – more mindful of what it means to be fully human, fully alive. While this is largely a silent retreat, there will be designated times of sharing.

Spaces are filling quickly. Forms are available from the sign-up Board and need to be in the office by **6 October**.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

**Monday:** Caroline Taylor-Steele

**Tuesday:** Marjorie Pratt,

**Wednesday:** Carol Kubanek

**Friday:** Anne Ranse

**Saturday:** Doreen Matters, Colin Lyons



If you'd like your name in the birthday book, please tell the office.

### SERMONS

Fell asleep during church last week, or you were away, or you want to hear the Sermon again?

Go to our website and click on 'sermons' and enjoy.

Thank you to the Lange family and Ian Matters who make this possible.

### LOST PROPERTY

There is a basketful of lost property on a chair near the door - water bottles, cushions, umbrella, clothing.

If not claimed by next week, they will be put in the Anglicare Bin.

### Thanks for the Opportunity to Help

I celebrated the long weekend for the last Family and Community Day to be held in the ACT with family and friends on the Gold Coast, seeing Opera Australia's performance of Aida on Coolangatta Beach. What a wonderful experience!

However, I am often mindful of the situation of so many of our clients, who just struggle to put food on their table, let alone travel to see the opera in another state. I am so grateful that I have the opportunity to help others in the way that we do at St John's. One of my friends asked me whilst we were away about my job. He so sincerely asked whether we were making a difference. I said "absolutely".

On our way back to the airport to return home on Monday night, I got a call from Joan, one of our wonderful volunteers. She had been showing some friends around the St John's Precinct and came across a couple who needed help and were unaware that it was a public holiday in the ACT. Since, I have been told that they were also here throughout the day seeking assistance. They knew about St John's Care and planned to camp out overnight until we opened on Tuesday morning. Being away of course I wasn't much help. So, Joan and Rev'd Paul organised a doona and blanket and the couple camped out for the night in the outdoor sheltered area at the back of the School House. You might remember that it was quite a cold night.

I arrived early on Tuesday and there they were. They were a couple that I knew and that we had helped over a year ago.

They are both currently living in Brisbane. He had come down to see his parents. However, they were abusing and mistreating him, to the point that she had come down "to rescue him" from them. She has her own issues, having recently had an abortion, due to the fetus being badly deformed and she had also recently been diagnosed with bone cancer in her leg, which was quite painful.

They were both quite distressed and anxious. She kept apologising for being so emotional. Their situation was also obviously having quite an impact on their relationship as they told me that they had been arguing loudly throughout the night, for which they also apologised.

They were seeking assistance to get back to their base in Brisbane where they have accommodation and where she has a number of medical appointments relating to her cancer diagnosis. They were just so grateful for the assistance we were able to provide.

Thanks to St John's Care for the opportunity that you give us to help those in need.

**Wish list: tinned fruit, cup of soup, small fruits for school lunches, packets of custard.**

**Stuart Davis-Meehan**

## PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

### IN THE WORLD

- ◆ We pray for the Rohingya people of Myanmar—for the Government and people of Bangladesh caring for them, and for those still persecuted at home.

### IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ We continue to pray for reasoned and rational debate on Marriage Equality.

### IN THE CHURCH

- ◆ The Anglican Church of Australia
- ◆ The Primate: Archbishop Philip Freier
- ◆ The General Synod, Standing Committee, Boards, Committees and Commissions: and General Secretary
- ◆ The Bishops' Office
- ◆ Diocesan Registrar/General Manager and the staff of Diocesan Services
- ◆ Anglican Investment Development Fund
- ◆ Pray for: The strengthening of relationships between the twenty-three Dioceses of the Australian Anglican Church, the development of our life and witness as a National Church and for our ecumenical relationships.

### IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ We pray for Christine Mitchell and her team taking the Service at Calvary Hospital this morning.
- ◆ We pray for HC Youth Camp @ Camp Cottermouth at the end of this week.
- ◆ We pray for all members of our parish family including Hugo Walker; Peter and Wendy Ward; Libby Warren; Susan Webb; Prue, Ken, Jonathon and Ellie Wedgwood; Audrey and Stuart Wells; and Virginia and Angus West.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer including Bev Barnes, Margaret Campbell, Dawn Hardman, Dianne and Phil Spurway, Peter Sherman, Margaret Walker, Michael Martin, Johann Sheehan, Dorothy Parsonage and anyone known to us personally.

### COMMEMORATIONS

- ◆ **Monday:** Stephen Conan-Davies (d. 1998); Portia Lillian Lloyd (d. 2015)
- ◆ **Friday:** Lewis Berian James (d. 2002)

## ON THE NOTICEBOARD

- ◆ **Newsletter** from the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture
- ◆ **National Day of Action for Refugees.** 8 October, Garema Place.
- ◆ **National Prayer Breakfast,** 16 October, Parliament House
- ◆ **Thank you Card** from Margaret Abraham's family

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### IN THE PARISH on Sunday 8 October- 18th Sunday after Pentecost

**8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Richard Browning

**10.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**

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## SENTENCE

Come, let us return to the Lord, that we may live before him.

Hosea 6: 1a, 2b

## READINGS:

Exodus 17: 1-7  
 Psalm 78: 1-4, 11-16  
 Philippians 2: 1-13  
 Matthew 21: 23-32



## 8 am HYMNS

(Matthias)

141  
 247  
 650  
 231

## PRAYER

O God,  
 you declare your almighty power  
 chiefly in showing mercy and pity:  
 mercifully grant us such a measure of your  
 grace  
 that, running in the way of your  
 commandments  
 we may obtain your gracious promises,  
 and be made partakers of your heavenly  
 treasure;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



	8.00 am	10.00 am
<b>Sidespersons</b>	Kerin and Brian Cox	Helen and Harris Boulton
<b>Readers</b>	Kerin Cox Rosemary Kennemore Anne Ranse	Chris Olsson Kate King Anne Ranse
<b>Intercessor</b>	Robert Arthur	Anne Dudzinski
<b>Organist</b>	Kath Arthur	Rhys Thorpe
<b>Word and Prayer</b>	Luc Rose	Katherine Rainger
<b>Deacon</b>	Anne Ranse	Anne Ranse
<b>Cup</b>	Luc Rose, Anne Ranse	Katherine Rainger, Anne Ranse. Extra bread:
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Jocelyn Kirkland, Mary Lynn Mather	Judith Ann Daniells
<b>Children's Church</b>		In recess
<b>Counters</b>	Rhonda Thorpe, David Kennemore	Martin Lange, Neville Hurst
<b>Saturday Oct 7</b>	<b>Cleaning:</b> Murray/Judd family	<b>Flowers:</b> Jen Collier