



# HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN

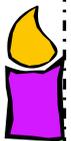
3 JUNE 2018

## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



**Welcome** to our worship and fellowship today! 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.



**Please join us for morning tea after the Services**

### TODAY IN THE PARISH

8.00 am

#### HOLY COMMUNION

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#### RAINBOW FELLOWSHIP

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

<b>Monday</b> <b>4.6.18</b>	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>5.6.18</b>	12.30 pm 4.00 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation Belonging and Caring meeting
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>6.6.18</b>	9.30 am 12 noon 2-3 pm 6 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Tai Chi Holy Communion and byo lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
<b>Thursday</b> <b>7.6.18</b>	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
<b>Friday</b> <b>8.6.18</b>	10 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup

## WEEK BEGINNING 11 JUNE 2018

<b>Monday</b> <b>11.6.18</b>		Public Holiday	
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<b>Thursday</b> <b>14.6.18</b>	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
<b>Friday</b> <b>15.6.18</b>	10 am	Worship Centre	Playgroup
<b>Saturday</b> <b>16.6.18</b>	9.00 am	Church Grounds	Working Bee

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## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

### WHO IS MY FAMILY?

One of the more confronting incidents that appears in all four Gospels is the one where Jesus' mother and brothers arrive while he is busy with the crowds, and demand to see him. Confident in their sense of belonging and the rights this brings, they are taken by surprise when Jesus does not immediately respond to them. (Matthew 12: 46-50)

Instead he uses the incident as an opportunity to pose some disturbing questions "Who is my mother?" and "Who are my brothers?" And the answer he is looking for is that everyone who seeks to live in tune with God's way is family.

For some people the experience of family is deeply satisfying and conveys identity, meaning and purpose to life. Family is top priority. For others the lack of close or harmonious family relationships feels like walking home on a winter's night and being on the outside of houses full of light, warmth and love.

Churches often use the word "family" to describe who they are, or to indicate the nature of their worship. We wish to affirm the institution of marriage and family and to be seen as "family friendly", yet many people feel excluded because they cannot attend with a "normal family" in tow.

And as it is in our small family or extended family units, so it is in the larger family of humankind – love, acceptance and security cannot be guaranteed. We are frail and sometimes wounded human beings, who cannot meet all of each other's needs.

It would seem that Jesus invites us to examine one of our most fundamental values – having a family. And provides us with questions that disturb us and take us deeper and wider until we see that on his terms, "family" and "belonging" is to do with having a common humanity and a common calling.

It is only by the grace of God that we can hope to live out the call to be "family" – in our family unit, extended family, community, nation and world. So, who is my family?

– Ann Siddall 2015

*Ann Siddall is a Spiritual Director working within the life of the Uniting Church. She lives in South Australia.*



## IN THE PARISH

### **FROM THE MAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.**

This month at Parish Council we give thanks for the start of renovation works on our Worship Centre with repairs to the fascias.

We also reallocated funds that had been set aside to support the start of a chaplaincy at the University of Canberra which is no longer progressing. The funds have been redirected to support Anglicare and St John's Care.

The council is also mindful that we are soon to farewell Elle (travelling to England for further studies) and Vera (moving permanently to Melbourne) from amongst our number at a time when we are prayerfully working together to respond to Wayne's vision for how we assist the Parish to move forward together.

There are needs within our congregations and we ask you to pray for us (all) as we prayerfully work through questions about where God wants to lead us and how we identify skills from amongst our congregation. Please continue to pray for Wayne as he works amongst us and invites us to join in conversations, brainstorming sessions and sharing ideas with one another.



### **WOW - WHAT A GREAT MORNING!**

Saturday 19 May was Holy Covenant's grocery collection for St John's Care at Jamison, as well as our fund raising cake stall for Holy Covenant.

We collected a huge quantity of groceries which are much needed by St John's Care. **Thank you to all** - we had at least 24 parishioners helping as well as Ginninderra Sea Scouts. Not to mention our good cooks who stocked the stall. We also raised \$478 in cash for St John's Care and almost \$900 for Holy Covenant!

We will do this all again at the end of the year - **why stop there?** It would be great if we brought groceries in to church **all year** to be taken to St John's Care to help their great need.

**Harris and Helen Boulton**

### TICKETS FOR OUR JUBILEE BIRTHDAY DINNER 28 July 2018 are now on sale!

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The dinner is at the Labor Club in Chandler Street, Belconnen starting at 6pm. Tickets are \$45 for adults and \$15 for children (kids menu for those under 12) and can be purchased online from the TryBooking website. To find the site please use the following weblinks:

<https://www.trybooking.com/VVSX>

or

<https://www.trybooking.com/383783>

and follow the prompts to purchase tickets. If you are not happy to book tickets yourself, you can ask Libby or Jen to do it for you. You can give them your credit card details for us to use on their behalf or give us cash and we'll use the parish credit card.

You may wish to host a whole table (of 8 people including yourself). To do so, use the website and select the "host a table" option from the ticket choices. You can also purchase tickets as gifts for your friends or you can purchase tickets to donate - either by giving the ticket away directly (the ticket will be emailed to you after you pay for it) or by forwarding the ticket to Parish Council with the advice that you wish to donate the enclosed ticket(s)

A donated ticket that you purchase will enable Parish Council to make tickets available to people who might otherwise not attend for financial reasons, to come and join in the celebration dinner with us. If you have any questions at all about how the gift tickets work or how to make a donation without using the website, please speak with Jennifer Collier or our Rector or one of our wardens.

Allergies or dietary restrictions? Please note that the website will ask you to notify of any dietary requirements as you progress through the purchasing steps.

Parish Council has invited our former Rectors and their spouses to come to the dinner as our guests. If you would like to assist financially by subsidising one or more tickets for our former Rectors please speak with Jennifer, Joh or Paul or simply purchase donated tickets and forward them (to Jennifer, Joh or Paul) once the tickets are emailed to you by the purchasing website.

Jennifer's email ([jennifer.collier@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jennifer.collier@optusnet.com.au) or you can telephone her at home on 02 6255 4255.

## IN THE PARISH

### POSITION VACANT

We are looking for an IT qualified person to look after our computer system. This is not a big job but if anything needs attention, it may be urgent. Other duties may include system updates, troubleshooting and backup of data.

If you are able and qualified to help please let Libby in the office know (6251 6100). Thanks!

### CEO Sleepout for Homeless People 21 June 2018

You are invited to sponsor Neville Tomkins in the CEO Sleepout on 21 June to raise money for St Vincent de Paul's programs for homeless people. Please see Jenny at church or donate at: <https://www.ceosleepout.org.au/ceos/act-ceos/neville-tomkins-scouts-australia/>

### ANGLICAN SERVICES AT CALVARY

On 24 June 2018 the long-time Anglican Church Services at Calvary Hospital will cease. It was a decision not taken lightly by all concerned but attendances had declined and to some lesser extent had the availability of clergy. Undoubtedly there is regret at this decision but be assured that the church is not withdrawing from its ministry at Calvary Hospital.

The spiritual needs of patients will continue to be of paramount concern and Chaplaincy services, visits to patients and bedside communion will all continue as before.

*Jean Main*



# IN THE PARISH

*From Peter Sherman:*

*A note to thank Holy Covenant parishioners for your ongoing prayers regarding my recovery and to confirm that they are still much needed as my energy level has hardly improved since my last radiotherapy treatment two months ago, which is why I've been to church on only 2 occasions. Not helping matters is that I've had a cold, from which I've just recovered after 10 days of being mostly indoors and sleeping a lot. Amazingly I have a new wisdom tooth which is coming through the gum crookedly and is suspected to be slightly infected. It is scheduled to be removed on 4th June and as I have only one lung I'll be remaining in the NCP hospital overnight so I can be monitored very closely.*

*Thanks again for your ongoing prayers and support—they mean so much to Carol and I.*

## FINDING IT HARD TO GET TO CHURCH ON THESE COLD SUNDAY MORNINGS?

There is an alternative—Wednesday at midday, and you can stay for lunch too—bring a little something to eat—tea, coffee provided.

Have you noticed the garden outside the Rainbow Centre?

A big thank you to the little angel that has, weeded planted and generally tidied it up.

And thank you to those who have replenished the Casserole Bank—we will let you know when we need more.



## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday: **Merrie Hepworth**  
Saturday: **Mary Sargeson**



## 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)

AND . . .

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

### **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**

**First 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.

## FROM ST. JOHN'S CARE



I have been back at St John's Care for five months. I have renewed many lovely acquaintances. People SJC has been helping for years. You may wonder why they can't break out of this 'poverty cycle' but how can they? Most of the people we see are either on New Start Allowance (\$501 per fortnight), Youth Allowance (\$445.80 per fortnight if you are living away from home), or are Refugees on no Centrelink Benefits.

When you are on a fixed income, which is not keeping up with the rising cost of food, the rising cost of utilities, how can you break out of the poverty cycle.

I know the answer is Education, but that is for the children. Education is too late for our clients; they are on the poverty treadmill.

On Wednesday I met with a young woman who, I feel, has made some really poor decisions, and she actually said to me that she wished she could have her life over again. She was as low as anyone can possibly get. She is twenty-eight, is an alcoholic and also a heavy drug user. She is 'couch surfing' at the moment but it won't be long before she is homeless.

She needed food, when you are 'couch surfing' it is important to contribute to the household. I went to collect the food, making sure that she had enough to buy a few nights' accommodation. When I took the food back to the client area, my client was looking through the Children's books.

She asked if she could take some. Of course was the immediate response, we love giving children's books away, anything that encourages children to read, it helps break the poverty cycle.

Unfortunately, this young woman's little boy is in care. She has very little contact with him, so I am not sure why she wanted the books, but it made her happy. I hope her little boy has a good foster family.

**My wish list for this week: Children's Toothbrushes, Washing Powder, Dehydrated Mashed Potato or Peas.**

Many Thanks  
Sue  
Acting Operations Person



# PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

## IN THE WORLD

- ♦ We pray for those who suffer because of war or civil strife; for those who are imprisoned, displaced or dispossessed.

## IN AUSTRALIA

- ♦ *\*\*We acknowledge Reconciliation week with the prayer below:*

## IN THE CHURCH

- ♦ Diocese of Armidale; St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn; Friends of St Saviour's Cathedral; Goulburn Mental Health Service Chaplaincy
- ♦ Anglicare Canberra and Goulburn

## IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ♦ We pray for the Belonging and Caring Team meeting this week.
- ♦ We pray for all members of our parish family including Denis and Angela Golubeff; Elizabeth Grant; Faye Green; Jean Groves; Patrick Guinness; and Clayton Gumbrell, Karen Bisley, Jamie, Samuel and Ethan.
- ♦ We pray for those in special need of prayer including, Susan Joy Nevile, Peter Sherman, Dorothy Parsonage, Elizabeth Grant, Anne Ranse, Tamara Batterham and anyone known to us personally.

## COMMEMORATIONS:

**Today:** Isabel Hazelwood (d. 1994)

**Tuesday:** Boniface of Mainz, bishop and martyr (d. 754)

**Saturday:** Columba of Iona, abbot and missionary (d. 597)

*\*\*We acknowledge and give thanks for the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today, the Ngunnawal people, who have cared for the plains, mountains, creeks and rivers we all call home. May we pray together with elders past, present and future the following prayer:*

*God of holy dreaming, Great Creator Spirit*

*From the dawn of creation you have given your children the good things of Mother Earth.*

*You spoke and gum tree grew.*

*In vast deserts and dense forest, and in cities at the water's edge, creation sings your praise.*

*Your presence endures as the rock at the heart of our Land.*

*When Jesus hung on the tree*

*you heard the cries of your people*

*and became one with your wounded ones:*

*the convicts, the hunted, and the dispossessed.*

*The sunrise of your Son coloured the earth anew*

*and bathed it in glorious hope.*

*In Jesus we have been reconciled to you,*

*To each other and to your whole creation.*

*Lead us on, Great Spirit,*

*As we gather from the four corners of the earth;*

*enable us to walk together in trust*

*from the hurt and shame of the past into the full day which has dawned in Jesus Christ.*

*Amen.*

**DEAR GOD,  
I WANNA TAKE A  
MINUTE. NOT TO ASK  
FOR ANYTHING FROM  
YOU, BUT SIMPLY TO  
SAY THANK YOU,  
FOR ALL I HAVE.**



## MINISTRY TEAM

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## DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 10 June 2018

### Third Sunday after Pentecost

**8.00 am**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Preacher: The Venerable Dr Wayne Brighton  
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# TODAY

**SENTENCE:** It is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.  
2 Corinthians 4.6

**READINGS:**

1 Samuel 3: 1-10  
Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18  
2 Corinthians 4:5-12  
Mark 2:23 to 3:6



**8 am HYMNS - Matthias**

179  
597  
472  
622

**PRAYER**

Lord God of the nations,  
you have revealed your will to all people  
and promised us your saving help:  
help us to hear and do what you command,  
that the darkness may be overcome by the  
power of your light;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**AMEN**



	8.00 am	10.00 am
<b>Sidespersons</b>	Kerin and Brian Cox	Sandra Ross, Reg Holmes
<b>Readers</b>	Kerin Cox Jennifer Collier Celebrant	Joh Sheehan Reg Holmes Frances MacKay
<b>Intercessor</b>	Paul Shelley	George Gerrity
<b>Organist</b>	Heather Shelley	Michael Troy
<b>Word and Prayer</b>	Luc Rose	Connie Gerrity
<b>Deacon</b>	-	-
<b>Cup</b>	Bishop Trevor Luc Rose	Connie Gerrity, George Gerrity, Phyl Holmes, Neville Hurst Extra Bread: Bishop Trevor
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Lexie Winders, Steve Daniels	Elaine Dennis, Judith Ann Daniells
<b>Counters</b>	Rhonda Thorpe, Clive Rodger	Merri Bacon, Chris Olsson
<b>Saturday 9 June</b>	<b>Cleaning:</b> Murray/Judd Fam'y	<b>Flowers:</b> Jen Collier