



HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

8 JULY 2018

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Healing



“Your faith has cured you,
go in peace”.



Welcome to our worship and fellowship today! You are warmly invited to share Communion with us, either by drinking from the cup 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
Celebrant and Preacher:
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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 9.7 .18	10.00 am	Worship Centre Kangara Waters Care Cntr Calvary Retirement Village	Covenant Care Holy Communion Holy Communion
Tuesday 10.7.18	12.30 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation
Wednesday 11. 7.18	12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and byo lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 12.7.18	9.30 am 12 noon 7.30 pm	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Scrabble Community Lunch EFM

WEEK BEGINNING 16 JULY 2018

Monday 16.7 .18	10.00 am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 17.7.18	12.30 pm	Worship Centre	Meditation
Wednesday 18.7.18	12 noon 2-3 pm 6 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and byo lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 19.7.18	9.30 am 2.30 pm 7.30pm	Rainbow Centre Ricardo's Cafe Rainbow Centre	Scrabble Book Club EFM

NB: Children's Church and Youth Group are on holidays.
Tai Chi will resume on 25 July.

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

MARK 6:1-13

I remember many years ago there was a directive from Bishop Burgmann to every parish and every parishioner to go door knocking to gather funds for the church. People were to go in pairs and door knock in their home towns. Some people went out with great enthusiasm and others were more hesitant. I am sure there must have been some people who knocked on a door whispering to themselves 'Nobody home, I hope, I hope, I hope.' Have you ever felt like that when you have wanted to share your faith and the love of Jesus Christ? When it comes to going out to share our faith some of us could probably think of something else we should be doing yet we know that Jesus not only calls people to come, he also sends them to go. (Matthew 28:19-20)

Sometimes we might feel we are ill equipped to evangelise for Christ yet he instructs his disciples to travel light, to not take equipment because you are the equipment. He alerts us to the fact that some will reject us but even then after we have gone and shaken the dust from our shoes the message may linger with some. Jesus was rejected in his home town when he returned to visit.

As The Message says: 'He is just a carpenter, Mary's boy. We have known him since he was a kid. How did he get wise all of a sudden? Who does he think he is?' There are times people will challenge us about our faith and we will experience rejection but we have one thing the disciples didn't, and it makes a difference. We have experienced the faithfulness of God in Jesus crucified and risen so we may marvel at the disbelief around us but still we go forth proclaiming and practicing our faith in Christ

Would you agree that we are living in a Nazareth world – a culture that is, at its best, disinterested in Jesus? Is the attitude of the world pushing Christians more and more to be 'church bound' within our four walls and not be seen or have a voice in community? How can we change that attitude?

I think we do it well as a whole, at Holy Covenant, as we have wonderful outreach ministries that show the community that we do what we do because of Jesus and if faced with rejection we should just 'be amazed at their disbelief' and continue doing 'for Jesus' remembering we have been chosen by him.

Blessings
Archdeacon Anne

IN THE PARISH

FAREWELL MORNING TEA NEXT SUNDAY 15 JULY AFTER 10AM SERVICE.

Join us as we say goodbye to Elle Platt and Vera de Vere as they move to other places. Elle overseas and Vera to Melbourne.



PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 5 August 2018

Nomination forms are available from the back table. Please prayerfully consider who you may nominate or if this is something you feel encouraged to do. Nominations close on 29 July.



Baked Goods Wanted!

On the weekend of July 20th-22nd, HC Youth are holding our annual Youth Camp :O :)
Baked biscuits, slices, cakes would be greatly appreciated to help sustain our Youth over this weekend! If you would like to contribute to Camp in this way, please let us know. We will be collecting baked goods in the church kitchen on the morning of Friday 20th July, or earlier in the week as convenient.
Please label with a list of ingredients. **PLEASE, NO NUTS.**
With thanks, Elle and Jerry



PARISH RETREAT 14-16 September.

St. Clement's Galong

'Take a break from the chaos: creating stillness'
Led by Archdeacon
Anne Ranse

- **Saturday 3 November.
Mini-fete**

Start potting plants for the plant stall and saving your 'white elephants' for the white elephant stall.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday: *Elaine Dennis*

Wednesday: *Carol Pogson*

Friday: *Elizabeth Troy*

Saturday: *Quentin Grafton*



IN THE PARISH

FROM JUNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Parish Council met in the last week of June over a shared meal to reluctantly farewell Vera De Vere who has served as Chair of Parish Council for 18 months. We also reluctantly accepted Mark Webb's resignation (he and his wife are going Nomading for at least a year or so) and in July we'll farewell Elle Platt (to study in England). As a result of these vacancies we urgently need two new Parish Councillors to replenish our team. As part of the changes arising from Vera's departure, Jennifer Collier will be the Chair of Parish Council for the remainder of 2018. Nomination forms are available now and elections will be held on the first Sunday in August.



Other key issues discussed at Parish Council were:

- We give thanks for Anthony Troy and Rhonda Thorpe who have joined Parish Council as Rector's appointments. Yes, we still need two more people.
- We give thanks for the completion of the repair work to the Worship Centre and the soon to commence construction of a porch roof over the kitchen door. Thank you to the wonderful Resources Team for their careful stewardship of our site.
- We give thanks for Anthony Troy and Chris Olsson who have responded to the need for a new IT guru to care for the parish computers.
- We look forward to a new venture commencing soon on Sunday evenings – a 6 month trial of a new service that expands our outreach to people on the margins of church.
- Spring is not far away – we are looking for a coordinator for the Spring Fair. If this is you please speak to any of your favourite Parish Councillors or Wayne.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR DINNER ON SATURDAY 28TH JULY?

If you'd like to come to the Parish 50th Dinner, please don't delay any longer - visit <https://www.trybooking.com/VVSX> or talk to Libby or Jennifer Collier. **All info about the dinner is now on the (signup) noticeboard.**



WHAT'S IN A NAME? IN OUR CASE, QUITE A BIT!

Most Anglican parishes are dedicated to a saint, or some other traditional title. But we are different. Google up “Holy Covenant Church” and you’ll find that there are a few in North America. There is only one Anglican, the Episcopal Church of the Holy Covenant in East Baltimore, in Maryland. Maybe we should make contact and share our stories!



We are the only Australian Holy Covenant, and it is no accident that this should be so. We started out as “the Cooperating Churches of the Provisional District of Belconnen A.” This was quite a mouthful. A number of names were suggested, including Martin Luther King Memorial Church. That would have been interesting! But the one that gained favour in a ballot of members in 1973 was “Church of the Covenant.” Bishop Cecil Warren added the “Holy” to make it clear what kind of covenant was meant. And so we became, in June 1974, Holy Covenant parish.

The original covenant was the agreement between the various denominations that formed the basis for how the cooperative parish worked. But holy covenants are much, much older than that. The Old Testament has a series of covenants between God and the heroes of the faith, and through them the relationship between creator and created was understood as it unfolded through the ages. The earliest was that with Noah in Genesis 9, in which God promised never again to destroy all life on Earth by flood and created the rainbow as the sign of this "everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth". This is where our parish symbol of the rainbow enters our story.

The cooperating parish came to an end in 1978. The two congregations slowly drifted apart. Never-the-less, Holy Covenant was shaped by the circumstances of its birth, and much of the character of our parish today can be traced directly to those early days of cooperation. This parish remains open to a diversity of Christian traditions, and has retained a willingness to welcome warmly members with a variety of difference. The strength of lay ministry has been a continuing feature, and the gifts of each member are taken seriously in building the body of Christ in this place. A rare name – a different image – a challenge to remain so!

JUBILEE MEMORIES



One of our Jubilee projects is a **Jubilee book**. This is not a chronological history of the parish, but a collection of stories/ anecdotes/memories that capture something of who we are and what we love about our parish. Here are a couple of examples.

- ♦ It was an infant baptism. The infant had a four year old brother who was given a lighted candle. Four year olds know what to do with lighted candles. He promptly blew it out. *David Clark*
- ♦ Bruce Stevens's family had three cats. The old cat just wanted to find a sunny spot to sleep. The kitten was the friend of all the world. The third cat, Cinders, divided the world into people he loved and people he hated. The people he loved were Rowena (Bruce's daughter). All very well. But Cinders used to wander into the church while services were on. And bite the ankles of anyone who wasn't Rowena. *David Clark*

Stories may be about celebrations, gifts, what we have done, are doing in the community, Church camps, things to be grateful for, people, music, the building, what is special about Holy Covenant or anything else that comes to mind.

Stories don't have to be polished. We can help there with editing for style, clarity and suitability. You can even submit something like "what about when . . .". This might trigger a memory that someone else can flesh out. Typically stories will be quite short, just a paragraph. But that does not exclude longer stories. And include pictures. We will include as many as we can.

Please submit your stories to us by hand at a service or, preferably, by email to either of us or the HC office (office@holycovenant.org.au).
Mary Lynn Mather (mlmather5@bigpond.com)
David Clark (mdclark@grapevine.net.au)

Memorabilia? Ephemera? Junk? While some of us may fantasise about living the neat and orderly life of a Japanese peasant - no clutter and no unnecessary belongings - most of us keep significant mementoes of our lives. Those of you who have mementoes of our lives here at Holy Covenant are invited to get them out and bring them to the Parish Office where Libby will pass them on to Jennifer Collier for a display over our Jubilee weekend. There are rumours about a cookbook and a tea towel - are they true? If you have photos of our parish life together please get in contact with Joh Sheehan—6251 7151 Email: jesheehan@comcen.com.au

AND THERE'S MORE . . .

HCNM New Staff Member

Holistic Care Nursing Ministries is pleased to have Jennifer Berrie join us in our Household Support outreach programme. Jennifer is helping clients, referred to us by ACT Housing, who are in need of assistance and support to declutter their homes. Jennifer previously taught *Declutter Your Home* course at University of the Third Age (U3A) and has helped many people deal with their stuff. Her previous career was in management. She will be writing some tips to appear in this newsletter and also has plans to run a couple of decluttering workshops for the parish.



THANK YOU. I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, thoughts and care during my recent hospitalisation, rehabilitation and recovery. To know you are being held up in prayer is something so special and to know the love and support of fellow believers leaves one feeling very blessed. Recovery continues and your ongoing prayers are greatly valued.

Archdeacon Anne.

CAN YOU HELP WITH TRANSPORT?

Michael Martin is a regular at 10am service. He has recently moved into RSL Lifecare at Sir Leslie Morshead Manor in Lyneham and is looking for help getting to church. If you are able to help, please speak to Wayne or Libby for details.



CHILDREN'S WORKER—paid position

Holy Covenant is looking for a children's worker to join our ministry team (12 hours per fortnight). The position will lead and coordinate the children's program at the 10am service during school term time. The successful applicant will need to collaborate closely with the youth program and play an active role in supporting the faith development of young people.



Interested applicants should contact Wayne on 0407 408 333 for a position description. **Applications will close 13 JULY 2018.**

VOLUNTEERS CONNECTING WITH CLIENTS



Last Wednesday, Mark (not his real name) came into St John's Care needing food and assistance.

He had lost his job and was waiting the required six weeks to receive Centrelink payments. Because of this wait he had no money left and was living out of his car.

Mark was accompanied by another homeless man who had previously been to SJC. He had told Mark who we are and what we do. They came into the Centre together as they both needed support.

The volunteer noticed that Mark was reluctant to make eye contact. He was feeling destitute and completely "shattered" to be in the situation of having to ask for help. He appeared very low within himself and stood hunched over.

He was only wearing shorts and a tee-shirt. The volunteer found some warm clothes for him. She asked for his size, then checked if he liked the colour and offered some options. Asking this question lifted Mark. He stood straighter and his face brightened. Giving him this choice let him know he didn't have to feel ashamed. Mark then opened up and was more comfortable and at ease. The other gentleman who was with Mark noticed this and just smiled at the volunteer with thanks.

These connections between volunteers and clients are invaluable. The offer of choice, a welcoming smile and the hospitality offered at SJC make the clients who come through our door feel welcome and respected.

We would like to take this opportunity to farewell and thank Sue Jordan for all her years of service to SJC. The Centre has grown significantly over the years and for many of those years it was with the guidance of Sue.

Having Sue here over the past seven months has helped me enormously. Her knowledge of SJC and her hard work has been invaluable. We wish her all the best for the future and her upcoming travels.

Wish list: Long life milk, tissues, sugar and tinned meat.

Sarah Murdoch -- Executive Officer



PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- ◆ We give thanks that the Thai soccer team and their coach have been found and pray that there may be a successful rescue.

IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ In this NAIDOC Week we pray for those involved in the recognition of our first peoples in the Constitution, especially Southern Cross Ministries.

IN THE CHURCH

- ◆ The Church in Canterbury, England and Panama; Dioceses of Ballarat, Bathurst and Bendigo.
- ◆ The parishes of Braidwood, Bungendore, Gunning and Crookwell.
- ◆ We pray for the staff and students at St. Mark's Theological College, and the Centre for Ageing and Pastoral Studies.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ We pray for the ongoing preparations for our Jubilee celebrations.
- ◆ We continue to pray for applicants for our Children's Worker.
- ◆ We pray for all members of our parish family including Martin, Anne and Jenny Lange; Clare Lawlor; Chris Lee; Ted and Penny Lilley and Colin Lyons.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer including, Susan Joy Nevile, Peter Sherman, Dorothy Parsonage, Elizabeth Grant, Anne Ranse and anyone known to us personally.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Today: Iris Hall (died 1996)

Tuesday: Grace Watson (died 2014)

Wednesday: Doris Dudley (died 2008)
John Singh (died 2014)

Friday: Laurie Alexander (died 2001)



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- Holiday Happenings—Kippax Uniting
- Latest newsletter from Anglicare



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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 15 July 2018

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
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TODAY

SENTENCE: Of Jesus many said, 'What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!'

Mark 6: 2

READINGS:

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
 Psalm 48
 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10
 Mark 5: 21-43



8 am HYMNS - Matthias

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PRAYER

O Lord our God,
 you are always more ready to bestow
 your good gifts upon us
 than we are to seek them;
 and more willing to give than we desire or
 deserve:
 in our every need,
 grant us the first and best of all your gifts,
 the Spirit who makes us your children.

AMEN



	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Libby Warren, Hilary Harris	Dorothy and Neville Hurst
Readers	Steve Daniels Hilary Harris Anne Ranse	Jayne Murray Dorothy Hurst Neville Hurst
Intercessor	Paul Shelley	Anne Dudzinski
Organist	Mandy Squair	Heather Shelley
Word and Prayer	Rhonda Thorpe	Joh Sheehan
Deacon	Anne Ranse	-
Cup	Rhonda Thorpe Anne Ranse	Doreen Matters, Neville Hurst Rob Maron, Tobias Nevile. Extra bread: Katherine Rainger
Morning Tea	Beth Heyde, Jenny Hall	Dorothy Hurst, Elizabeth St George
Counters	David Kennemore, Jen Collier	Martin Lange, Graham Bonnett
Saturday 14 July	Cleaning: Andrew Feitz	Flowers: Wendy Ward