



THE BRIDGE



ANGLICAN PARISH OF OCEAN GROVE & BARWON HEADS

Our Mission Statement 'To know Christ, and Make Christ known'

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Feast of Christ the King

November 25th 2018

Parish Annual Meeting

Next week's services:

SUNDAY: 8am, 9.30am St Peter's. 11am All Saints'

WEDNESDAY: 10am St Peter's

TODAY'S READINGS

1 st READING	Daniel 7:9-10,13-14
PSALM	Psalm 93
2 nd READING	Revelation 1:4b-8
GOSPEL	John 18:33-37



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25:1-10, 1Thessalonians 3:9-13, Luke 21:25-38

Daily readings this week:

Monday	Psalms 65;70	Zechariah 14:1-11	Mark 1:29-39
Tuesday	Psalm 68:1-20	Zechariah 14:12-21	Mark 1:40-45
Wednesday	Psalm 71	Malachi 1	Mark 2:1-17
Thursday	Psalm 69:1-16	Malachi 2:1-16	Mark 2:18-3:6
Friday	Psalm 72	Malachi 2:17-3:12	Mark 3:7-19a
Saturday	Psalms 74	Malachi 3:13-4:6	Mark 3:19b-35



December Prayer Focus

Please pray for our Christian brothers and sisters living in dangerous places and circumstances as the season of Advent begins. Pray for safety and God's peace for them.



PRAYER FOR OUR FRIENDS:

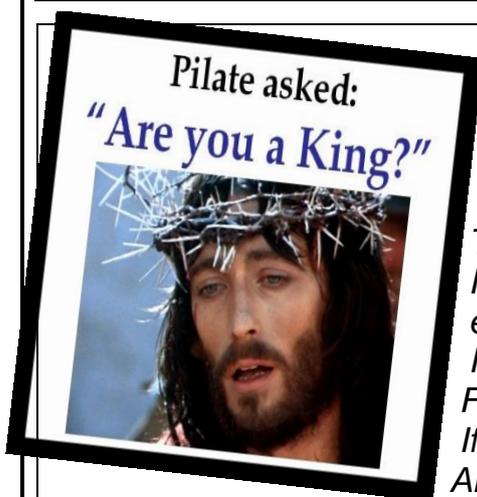
For the healing of body, mind and spirit....

Wendy Hudson, Deb Podbury, Win O'Brien, Alison Boyd, Glenys Russell, Faye Bermingham, Pat Brady, Catherine Fane, Joy Chellew, Betty Boyd, Bella, Jim Wilson, Kathy Donaghey, Tom Wells.

....and for our members in residential care....

Hilda Clyne, Shirley Dodgshun, Lesley Duncan, Doris Gordon, Marion Hodgson, Kaye Middlehurst, Alva Searle, Anne Shady, Jean Wadey, Beth Ward, Philip Burgess.

(Please let the prayer team know about additions and subtractions for our prayer list, so we can keep it up to date.)



REFLECTION

*The reign of Christ does not end on the cross.
It is through the cross and his resurrection that Jesus defeats evil and death, the greatest foes to the reign of truth.
It is his truth that prevails.
For this he was born. For this he came into this world.
If we belong to his truth we listen to his voice.
And his voice is what guides us in the ways of justice and peace.
And his kingdom will have no end. **Rejoice!***

Pray that all who listen to his voice and who proclaim his truth may rejoice in the knowledge of his everlasting reign.

Pray for the Church of North India, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission.

The OP SHOP is open Wednesday,
Friday & Saturday from 9am -1pm

What's on this week?

HEARTS & CRAFT	<u>Monday</u>	St Peter's	10am – 1pm
KYB		<u>In recess until February</u>	
PRAYER MINISTRY	<u>Tuesday</u>	St Peter's	9.30 – 11.45am
PLAY GROUP	<u>Tuesday</u>	St Peter's	9.30 – 11.30am
	<u>Thursday</u>	All Saints'	10am-12pm
WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP	<u>Wednesday</u>	St Peter's	7.30pm
FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP	<u>Friday</u>	St Peter's	10am
JIGSAW LIBRARY	<u>Wed & Sat</u>	All Saints'	10am-12pm
PRAYER MEETING	<u>Saturday</u>	St Peter's	8.45-9.45am
BARWON HEADS FOCUS GROUP		Sunday All Saints'	after 11am service

PARISH ANNUAL MEETING - Today AFTER 10AM COMBINED SERVICE

Annual Reports are available at the church entrance. Please take one

Please join us for a shared lunch in the hall at the conclusion of the meeting.

Coming Up

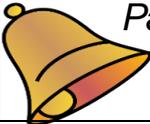
QUIET DAY: Preparation for the Advent Season.

All Saints': Monday December 3rd 10am – 3pm.

Please join us for a time of quiet reflection as we prepare our hearts and minds to receive the gift of the Christ Child

ASYLUM SEEKERS ON NAURU

 You may have heard the bells at All Saints' and St Peter's ringing at 5pm on Tuesday. You will hear them again at the same time next week, and the following week, and the following... It was agreed at the last parish council meeting that we would support the move to encourage the removal of families and children from Nauru by the ringing of our bell each week at this time, until all families are removed.

 Parishes were encouraged to support the removal of asylum seeker families at the recent synod, and this is our response.



Advent Meditation Space

All Saints' will again be providing a comfortable and picturesque area for spiritual refreshment and prayer. Resources include study booklets, scripture suggestions, prayer starters, meditations on the Advent journey, and some hands-on materials. The Space will be available whenever the church is open (normally 8-5), except when there is a service or activity happening – check the Bridge. Other times by request; contact Cathy.



The Vicar's Voice

Introducing Malachi

This week our daily readings will lead us through the book of Malachi. The last book of the Old Testament, Malachi was written about 460BC and is God's last prophetic word to Israel until the coming of John the Baptist. Malachi speaks to God's people at a time of disappointment and frustration. They have returned to the promised land full of hope that they could re-establish God's kingdom in Israel. But the new Temple is nowhere near as glorious as the one they remember from their youth, and they are constantly undermined both by attacks from neighbouring countries and by the laziness and self-indulgence of some of their own leaders.

Malachi assures them that God has not forgotten them, and that God's power is sufficient to enable them to overcome even the greatest difficulties. The people are also challenged to examine their lives, to repent of their shortcomings and to give their best to God, gladly and generously.

ST PETER'S ROSTERS ARE NOW READY AND AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCE. PLEASE COLLECT YOURS.



Thank you to Helen Edwards for her years of tireless giving as manager of the Op Shop. Helen has now begun her well-earned retirement. We pray that it will be restful Helen!

Gayee would like to say THANK YOU to all who prayed for the healing of her shoulder. Everything is going to plan, and range of movement returning to normal. Praise God



Good-bye.



Today we farewell Brett, Kat, Artie and Micah. Our prayers will follow you to your new home, and we hope for safe and trouble free travel, and a smooth transition into your new home and parish.

Don't forget to take and read your copy of THE BRIDGE each week.

WELCOME TO VISITORS:

If you are visiting today, we warmly welcome you and invite you to join us at the communion table, if that is your normal practice. Please ask for gluten free wafers or fruit juice at the communion table.



Home Communion

Please contact Jill Poole if you're unable to get to church and would like communion brought to you at home.

We worship on the traditional lands of the Wathaurong People of the Kulin Nation, and we acknowledge and pay our respect to their elders past and present, and to Aboriginal people with us today.

Op Shop Distribution November 2018 insert

Organisation	Nov-18 Amount (\$)	Cumulative Total (\$)	May-18 Amount (\$)	Nov-17 Distribution
	\$54,000.00			
General Fund	\$27,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$31,000.00
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	\$500.00	\$27,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Barwon Heads Uniting Church	\$2,500.00	\$30,000.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00
Holy Trinity Parish - Church Account	\$2,500.00	\$32,500.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00
Hamlin Fistula Ethiopia (Australia)	\$1,200.00	\$33,700.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Christian Blind Mission Australia	\$500.00	\$34,200.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Scripture Union Family Mission	\$0.00	\$34,200.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Barwon Heads Primary School	\$5,000.00	\$39,200.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Geelong Access Ministries Chaplaincy	\$3,000.00	\$42,200.00	\$4,750.00	\$3,800.00
Ocean Grove Primary School Council Official Account	\$1,000.00	\$43,200.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Barwon Heads Fire Brigade	\$1,500.00	\$44,700.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Connewarre Fire Brigade	\$1,500.00	\$46,200.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Cottage by the Sea Queenscliff	\$500.00	\$46,700.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Friends of the Bluff	\$0.00	\$46,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Barwon Heads Community Hall	\$2,500.00	\$49,200.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,700.00
Barwon Heads Guides	\$0.00	\$49,200.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
1st Barwon Heads Scouts	\$0.00	\$49,200.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Friends of the Lobster Pot	\$0.00	\$49,200.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
13th Beach SLSC	\$0.00	\$49,200.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Barwon Heads Soccer Club	\$0.00	\$49,200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Riding for the Disabled	\$500.00	\$49,700.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Cherished Pets Foundation	\$500.00	\$50,200.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Birdlife Australia	\$0.00	\$50,200.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
VCE Home for Girls (Previously allocation C/F)	\$0.00	\$50,200.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Barwon Estuary Project	\$0.00	\$50,200.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
OP Shop PAD	\$0.00	\$50,200.00	\$2,100.00	
Refugees Legal	\$1,000.00	\$51,200.00		
Please Note: There was an arithmetical error made by the Treasurer during the				
Distribution Meeting. Consequently, the amount allocated was \$2,800 less than the				
\$54,000 available. After discussion, the decision to leave the distribution as shown				
and distribute the remainder during the May 2019 meeting was taken.				
Total	\$51,200.00		\$62,000.00	\$77,000.00