



THE BRIDGE



ANGLICAN PARISH OF OCEAN GROVE & BARWON HEADS

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

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Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 27th 2019

Next week's services:

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

WEDNESDAY: 10am St Peter's

1 st READING	Nehemiah 8:1-10
PSALM	Psalms 19
2 nd READING	1 Corinthians 12:12-31
GOSPEL	Luke 4:14-21

May the words of my mouth and
the meditation of my heart be
pleasing in your sight O Lord my
Rock and my Redeemer

Psalm 19:14

What's happening?

THE OFFICE: Parish office hours: -

Jill McCoy is available in the office 11am-1pm Monday & Wednesday.

(Other times please contact Jill directly)

Jane - Tuesday and Thursday 11am – 5pm (THE BRIDGE)

Cathy – Friday morning

JILL POOLE: *Jill will be away between January 21st and February 1st*

HEARTS AND CRAFT: Monday 10am-1pm - St Peter's

TUESDAY PRAYER MINISTRY: Begins again this Tuesday **9.30 am - 12** at St Peter's

OP SHOP: 10 – 1pm on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday

SATURDAY PRAYER MEETING: 8.45 am - St Peter's

BARWON HEADS FOCUS GROUP: TODAY after 11am service

JIGSAW LIBRARY: Wednesday & Saturday 10-12 All Saints'

RETURNING SOON

KYB Resumes Monday Feb 4th All Saints' 10am

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP: (Search the Spirit) February 6th 7.30pm – St Peter's

The Vicar's Voice

We have all seen and heard a lot of discussion in the media recently about Australia Day, and all that it means. This has caused me to spend some time reflecting on these issues myself. I'm aware that we have very diverse opinions, but as Christians I think there are two things we need to keep clear in our minds. Firstly, that our primary identity is not nationalistic but spiritual. We are, above all, citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven, chosen and precious to God because of our faith in Jesus. And secondly, that as we celebrate all that we have in this country, we need to be mindful of those who have less, and be careful to ensure that we are not benefitting at the expense of others.

We have much to be thankful for in the life we share in this country. May we rejoice in God's provision, and work to see justice and righteousness prevail in every area of our society.

Refugee families and children on Nauru.

There are still three children and their families left on Nauru.

Listen for the bells at All Saints' and St Peter's at 5pm on Tuesday.



Next Week's Readings

Jeremiah 1:4 -10, Psalm 71:1-6, 1Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30

Daily readings this week:

Monday	Psalm 71	Genesis 13	Luke 1:1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 69:1-6	Genesis 14:1-24	Luke 1:13-25
Wednesday	Psalm 72	Genesis 15	Luke 1:26-38
Thursday	Psalms 148;149	Genesis 16	Luke 1:39-56
Friday	Psalm 74	Genesis 17	Luke 1:57-66
Saturday	Psalm 24	Malachi 3:1-4	Luke 2:22-40

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,
Tom Wells, Jenny Wood

....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.)

An Australia Day Reflection

A sense of connection to the soil that we were born and raised on will always be a part of our identity, even more so a sense of connection with those who we are descended from. We in Australia are extremely lucky to have such diverse backgrounds to be appreciated in such a beautiful country.

This being said, we must always remember that ultimately this country is not our home; our identity must not be ultimately bound up in this place but in Jesus Christ and the kingdom of God.

Pray that God might bless our nation through us as he has blessed us through our nation.

Pray for the work and witness of the Anglican Church, and the wider Christian Church in Australia.

The Rev Will Johnston Anglican Board of Mission 2019

February Prayer Focus

Please pray for vision and wisdom for our own ministry and mission teams at All Saints' and St Peter's, that through them we may be effective messengers of the gospel in our own community. Pray particularly for our next strategic planning meeting on Saturday February 16th, and for the parish council as they work on our mission action plan.

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. We invite you to join us for refreshments after the service.



Bishop Kate's visit on Sunday February 24th.

This will be an opportunity for us to worship together as a parish community and to enjoy fellowship with Bishop Kate and each other. It is also an opportunity for those who wish to be confirmed or received into the Anglican church, or renew their baptism promises.

If you are interested in exploring one of these possibilities, please speak to Jill as soon as possible.

Sermons online

A reminder that Sunday sermons are available on the parish website – www.ogbha.org.au

WANTED TO RENT

Moderately priced three-bedroom house in Barwon Heads at end of January for reliable family. Details from Janet 0411 242836.



LUNCH ANYONE?

Did you know that a (sometimes large and sometimes smaller) group of hungry parishioners eat lunch at BT's Café in Ocean Grove after the 9.30 service each week?

Good food, good company and good prices. Join us after 11.45am.

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.