

THE BRIDGE

ANGLICAN PARISH OF OCEAN GROVE & BARWON HEADS

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

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Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

February 24th 2019

Next week's services:

SUNDAY: 8am & 9.30am St Peter's; 11am All Saints'

WEDNESDAY: 10am St Peter's

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| 1 st READING | Genesis 45:3-11, 15 |
| PSALM | Psalms 37:1-11, 40-41 |
| 2 nd READING | 1 Corinthians 15:35-50 |
| GOSPEL | Luke 6:27-38 |

And just as we have borne the likeness of the earthly man, so we shall bear the likeness of the man in heaven.

1 Corinthians 15:49

WELCOME *If you're 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.*

TIME FOR QUIET REFLECTION

You are invited to use the time before the service and during communion for quiet reflection.

Jesus says to us today: *If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.* As Christians we are called by Jesus to show God's love to others. But how? Jesus tells us: "Love your enemies. Do good. Lend, expecting nothing in return. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge. Do not condemn, Forgive. Give." Today is a good day to make a start. Pray that each of us today might pick one of Jesus' commands and begin to incorporate it into our lives, allowing God to shine through us to others.

Give thanks for Wontulp-Bi-Buya College in Cairns, giving thanks for the educational programs provided to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Text: *The Rev Will Johnston,*

What's happening?

THE OFFICE: Parish office hours: -

Jill McCoy is normally available in the office 11am-1pm Monday & Wednesday.
(Other times please contact Jill directly)

*Jill will not be available Wed and Thurs this week. Jill Poole is on call

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

Cathy – Friday morning

HEARTS AND CRAFT:

Monday 10am-1pm - St Peter's

KYB:

Monday 10am - All Saints'

TUESDAY PRAYER MINISTRY:

Tuesday 9.30 am - 12 at St Peter's

OP SHOP:

9.30 – 1pm on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday

WOMEN'S COFFEE MORNING:

Thursday February 28th. Uncle Jack's OG 10.30

LABYRINTH:

Thursday 12-5pm; Friday 9-1pm - All Saints'

SATURDAY PRAYER MEETING:

8.45 am - St Peter's

JIGSAW LIBRARY:

Wednesday & Saturday 10-12 All Saints'

Coming Up

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Friday March 1st Ocean Grove Church of Christ 10am
All Saints' Barwon Heads 2pm



March Prayer Focus

Please pray for our Indigenous brothers and sisters in Christ across Australia, that they may be beacons of light for their communities and be able to proclaim and live out the Gospel amongst their friends and extended families. Pray for men and women of influence from among them who will be able to work as agents of change and healing.

Next Sunday's Readings

Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-43

Daily readings this week:

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| Monday | Psalm 135 | Genesis 31:1-21 | Luke 7:24-35 |
| Tuesday | Psalm 137:1-6;138 | Genesis 31:22-42 | Luke 7:36-50 |
| Wednesday | Psalm 140 | Genesis 31:43-32:12 | Luke 8:1-8 |
| Thursday | Psalm 143;146 | Genesis 32:13-32 | Luke 8:9-18 |
| Friday | Psalms 1;2 | Genesis 33 | Luke 8:19-25 |
| Saturday | Psalm 5;6 | Genesis 34 | Luke 8:26-39 |

VICAR'S VOICE

We are about to move into the season of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday on 6th March. This year we will be reflecting on the theme of Fresh Starts or New Beginnings. I would encourage you to plan to join one of the study groups that will be meeting throughout Lent, and to spend some time reflecting on the new things God may be inviting you to begin.

I hope that, for many of us, this will include a renewed commitment to being open to God through the refreshment of our prayer lives.

To help us in this, we are offering a seminar on "Hearing God's Whispers" on March 16th. I encourage you to come along and discover some new ways of engaging in prayer.

Jill

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, Joy Chellew, Betty Boyd, Bella, Jim Wilson, Tom Wells, Jenny Wood

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

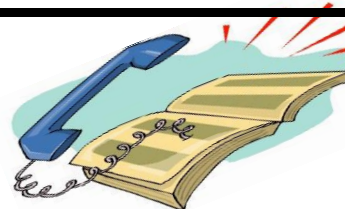
Hilda Clyne, Shirley Dodgshun, Lesley Duncan, Doris Gordon, Marion Hodgson, Kaye Middlehurst, Alva Searle, Anne Shady, Jean Wadey, Beth Ward, Philip Burgess.

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

DIRECTORY UPDATE

The directory update is in progress.

New directories should be available in the next few weeks.



WOMEN'S COFFEE MORNING

A reminder of the women's coffee morning at UNCLE JACK'S for 10.30am this Thursday Feb 28th. All Welcome

Please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

Sermons online

A reminder that Sunday sermons are available on the parish website

www.ogbha.org.au

Lenten Studies

If you would be willing to host a Lenten study group, either in your home or at the church, please let Jill McCoy know.

Message from the Parish Council.

As fewer members are using "Mission Bottles", and many of us carry very little small change these days, we are moving from multiple "buckets" to a mid-year MISSION SUNDAY.

This will be on June 9th (Pentecost Sunday).

We hope to raise a decent amount to add to our mission giving, so, if you don't have a bottle, you are invited to set yourself a target to contribute on that day.

LUNCH INVITATION

When? Sundays after 11.30 most weeks

Where? Usually BT's or Zebra Bar (BT's is under Zebra Bar) Corner of The Terrace and Hodgson St OG

Who? Anyone. Bring a friend. It's great fellowship, and also a good way to introduce friends to the church.



Or, if you're at the Barwon Heads service, join us at the church for home-made soup with locally baked bread

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.