

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Morning & Evening Prayer is held in the Chapel on weekdays at 8.30am and 5pm respectively.

### MONDAY 2 June

**4.00pm** Wardens' Meeting in Dempster Room

### TUESDAY 3 June

**9.30am** Pastoral Care Team meeting in the Dempster Room

**12 noon** Eucharist

**12.45pm** Staff Meeting

**1.15pm** Staff lunch out

**3.15pm** Liturgy Meeting

### WEDNESDAY 4 June

**9.30am** Little Seeds Playgroup

**11.30am** Eucharist in the Chapel

**12.15pm** BYO Lunch in Dempster Room

**12.30pm** Deanery Meeting at Balwyn

**6.30pm** Communion and Curry

### THURSDAY 5 June

**7.30pm** Choir Practice

**8.00pm** Thursday Study Group at Ross' home

### SATURDAY 7 June

**8.30am** Archives group meets in Rutherford Room

### ABM SOUTH SUDAN EMERGENCY

**APPEAL-** Flyer and donation forms are on the table at the back of the church or [www.abmission.org/southsudan](http://www.abmission.org/southsudan).

## NEXT SUNDAY - 8 June 2014

Pentecost Sunday

(You are invited to wear something red.)

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104. 26-36

1 Corinthians 12:1-13; John 20:19-23

### 8am EUCHARIST

**Presider:** David Moore

**Preacher:** David Moore

**Reader:** TBA

**Intercessor:** TBA

**Server:** Hans Ferdinands

**Euch. Asst.** TBA

### 9.00am BREAKFAST

### 10.00am SUNG EUCHARIST

**Presider:** Emily Fraser

**Preacher:** David Moore

**Deacon:** Kuncoro Rusman

**Sub-Deacon:** John Manton

**Readers:** TBA

**Intercessor:** TBA

**Servers:** Ross Smith (MC)

Geoff Vincent, Neicia Shaw, Jenny

Cook, Sue Banting

**Euch. Assts.** TBA

**Kidz@Church:** Activities at the back of the church.

### 12.00 noon Regina Caeli in the Chapel

### 3.00pm INDONESIAN : Eucharist—

**Presider:** Emily Fraser; **Preacher:** Muriel

Porter; **Deacon:** Kuncoro Rusman

### 4.00pm CONFESSING OUR FAITH

### 6.00pm CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE



# CONTACT

## ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL

Easter 7—1 June 2014

As we approach the end of the Easter season, the lectionary moves us away from stories of encounters with the Risen Christ to passages that concentrate our minds on the departure of Jesus from the world. The two men in white in Luke's account of the ascension (in the book of Acts) direct the disciples gaze away from heaven and back to earth, the road to Jerusalem. In the passage from John we overhear the prayer of Jesus as he contemplates being "no longer in the world". This prayer begins with words about Jesus' own destiny, but what follows is an extended prayer (we need to read beyond verse 11!) where Jesus asks the Father to "protect" the ones Jesus himself has "protected" and "guarded" throughout his time in the world. These words speak of Jesus' loving concern for the ones given to him by the Father (and "those who will believe in me through their word" i.e. us!) but we might also stop and ponder: why is Jesus so focussed on our need for "protection" in the days to come? If we pursue this question, what we might discover is that our brother Christ knows a great deal about human vulnerability and about how our vulnerabilities can cause us to lose our way, to refuse life and joy. And what we might also discover is the surprise of the one who does not despise us for our vulnerabilities, nor upbraid us, nor tell us to pull up our socks. Instead Jesus wants to provide some comfort when temptations threaten to overwhelm us. In his prayer to the "Father", we hear that Jesus wants to surround us with a spirit of love and mercy, so that rather than losing our way, we might move to a deeper acceptance of our vulnerable humanity. In this way we might be able to get on with our real vocation – not worrying about our apparent inadequacies, or worse, trying to hide them – but growing into our destiny as the beloved brothers and sisters of Christ, made for joy.

*Helen Creed*

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## SERVICES TODAY

**WELCOME!** We are glad to have you join us in the sacred liturgy. With generations of Christ's followers we are all welcomed around the banquet table of the Word made flesh—regardless of gender, race, colour, sexual orientation, social status or any other distinction. And you are warmly invited to join us for morning tea in the Rutherford Room following the liturgy.

### 8.00am Eucharist

Presider: Emily Fraser  
Preacher: Helen Creed  
Reader: Hans Ferdinands  
Intercessor: Keith Dempster  
Server: Hans Ferdinands  
Euch. Asst. Hans Ferdinands

*Readings for the day:*  
*Acts 1. 6-14; Psalm 68. 1-10, 32-35;*  
*1 Peter 5; John 17. 1-11*

**EASTERTIME** We continue to pull out all the stops - 40 days of preparation for 50 days of celebration - *Christ is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**PASCHAL MYSTERY: Resources for Lent-Easter.** A guide for the season is still available in the narthex.

**PASCHAL CANDLE** The Paschal Candle illuminated our way in the pre-dawn light on Easter Day. It remains lit throughout Eastertime's 50 days of celebrating, after which it is lit for baptisms and funerals.

### HEARING THE WORD

The hearing of sacred scripture is an encounter with a living Word. It is also a communal enterprise: the gathered people of God *together* listen as one as the lector (reader) reads from the sacred texts; we stand when the book of the gospels is processed into the assembly; we turn to face the reading of the gospel. Listening for the living Word is a spiritual practice. The mind is engaged, of course, but not as though one was listening for the 'facts' in a news report. The hearing of Scripture is primarily an inner attentiveness – requiring the hearing of the heart. This kind of hearing is greatly enhanced when we gather at the Eucharist having already meditated upon the lections in the week before our gathering. Scripture references for the current and the next Sunday are given in 'Contact' each week to enable us to prepare ourselves to break open the Word. The weekly liturgy booklet does not include the scripture texts, but copies of the lections are available each Sunday on the table near the Font.

**TMA** The Melbourne Anglican will be available next Sunday 8 June.

### 9.00-9.30am Ministry of Healing. *Clergy will be in the Chapel.*

### 10.00am Sung Eucharist

Presider: Emily Fraser  
Preacher: Helen Creed  
Deacon: Kuncoro Rusman  
Sub-Deacon: Ross Smith  
Readers: Noel Anderson  
Margaret Anderson  
Intercessor: Noela Manton  
Cantor: Howard O'Brien  
Servers: Jenny Cook (MC)  
Sue Banting, Neicia Shaw  
James Moorhouse  
Euch. Assts. Sub-Deacon; Jenny Cook  
KIDZ@CHURCH: Caroline Tanner, Wendy Way  
and Sue Massoud

### 12 noon Regina Caeli

### 3.00pm Indonesian Congregation— Kuncoro Rusman

### 4.00pm “Confessing our Faith” - Dempster Room

### 6.00pm Contemplative Service

## OPEN FORUM NOTES

Thank you to all who participated in last Sunday's Open Forum. I greatly appreciate the conversation's evident qualities of candour and respect. It is tremendously helpful to me to hear you - and to give an account of myself when appropriate - and I hope you found the experience useful and fruitful. Notes from the Forum are inserted in today's Contact. *David.*

**MINISTRY OF HEALING:** On the first Sunday of the month from 9 to 9.30am clergy will be in the chapel, and you are invited to come to talk, have hands laid on or be anointed. Healing Ministry is always available at any time, simply contact one of the clergy.

**A PRAYER JOURNAL** for June-July is available today at the back of the church. Please take a copy.

**'CONFESSING OUR FAITH':** This afternoon's topic will be 'Journeying into God', while next week's will be 'Breath of Life' - most appropriate for the Day of Pentecost. Casual attenders are welcome: \$10 each. We meet in the Dempster Room at 4pm, entering through the Parish Centre doors.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY—8 JUNE:** All are invited to wear something red at the Pentecost Sunday liturgies—A coat, a scarf, a hat or gloves, or whatever is red!

**PARISH WEBSITE:** Interested in assisting with the maintenance of the parish website? No content to write or design to worry about - just regular updating of supplied material. Please speak to Simon Bolch or contact him through the parish office.

**COPIES OF CONTACT** are kept for two weeks on the table in the narthex. You can also find 'Contact' for each Sunday, as well as the sermon, on the website: [www.stjohnscamberwell.org.au](http://www.stjohnscamberwell.org.au) If you do not have internet access and would like print-outs of the sermons, please phone the parish office.

**YEAR'S MIND:** We remember before God, Rex Nathanielsz, Colleen Harvey, Eric Watts, and Stan Zeunert whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**READERS, EUCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS AND INTERCESSORS:** Please advise Keith Wilkins re availability/non-availability for June, July and August *i n c l . b y e m a i l :* keithmcianwil@iprimus.com.au

## WELCOME TO ITALY!

This is our 2014 Winter Dinner theme. A night not to be missed—mark this date in your diary now **25/7/14**. Tickets on sale as from Tuesday 1st July either through the Church Office or after the 10.00am services on the following Sundays. New goods or talents for the silent auction are now open to be received. Contact Neicia Shaw [neicia@nsproject.com.au](mailto:neicia@nsproject.com.au).  
**USED TERRACOTTA PLANT POTS—** 10 or 12 of these (120mm in diameter) are needed for the Winter Dinner. Please bring to the church or speak with Neicia.

## FUTURE DATES

**PENTECOST PARISH EUCHARIST & Dinner—**Saturday 14 June, commencing at 5pm in the Chapel

**FRIENDS OF ANGLICAN MUSIC (FOAM)** will sing at Evensong here at St John's on Saturday 21 June at 4.00pm. Director of Music: David Byrne

**WINTER DINNER:** 7 for 7.30pm Friday 25 July.

**2015 PARISH RETREAT:** Booked at Pallotti College for the weekend of Friday 27 February to Sunday 1 March.