

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

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

MONDAY 12 May

12.30 –4.30pm: Camcare function in Rutherford Room

7.30pm Camberwell Camera Club meets in Rutherford Room

TUESDAY 13 May

9.30am Moving into Music—Annex area Rutherford Room

11.00am Service at Shenley Manor

12 noon Eucharist

12.40pm Staff Meeting

3.15pm Liturgy Meeting

8.00pm Illawarra Home Group meets in Rutherford Room—Enq. Dawn Harvey

WEDNESDAY 14 May

9.30am Little Seeds Playgroup

11.30am Eucharist in the Chapel

12.15pm BYO Lunch in Dempster Room

CAR PARKING: We are experiencing more frequent trouble from the general public using our car park. Parishioners are asked to display on the dashboard a laminated parish authorisation (available from the office) or leave a note on the dashboard to clearly identify your car as a parish vehicle.

NEXT SUNDAY - 18 May 2014

Easter 5

Acts 7.55-60; Psalm 31. 1-5, 17-18;
1 Peter 2. 11-25; John 14. 1-14

8am EUCHARIST

Presider: David Moore

Preacher: David Moore

Reader: Geoff Vincent

Intercessor: Clergy

Server: Geoff Vincent

Euch. Asst. Clergy

10.00am PARISH FAMILY EUCHARIST

Presider: Emily Fraser

Preacher: David Moore

Deacon: Kuncoro Rusman

Sub-Deacon: John Mantou

Readers: Kidz@Church/J2A

Intercessor: Kidz@Church/J2A

Servers: Neicia Shaw (MC)
Jenny Cook; Sue Banting;
Robin Carter

Euch. Assts. Sub-Deacon, Clare Tomasov

Kidz@Church: Staying in Family Eucharist

12.00 noon Regina Caeli in the Chapel

3.00pm INDONESIAN : Kuncoro
Rusman

4.00pm CONFESSING OUR FAITH

6.00pm CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE



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ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL

Easter 4—11 May 2014

Today's readings have a complex common theme - that of the notion of God's elect people, chosen and beloved, and saved. It begins with the reading from the Acts of the Apostles, and carries through into the Gospel, with its notion of the gate, the true shepherd who the gatekeeper and the sheep know and the thieves and bandits.

What makes this theme difficult are the arising notions of Christian superiority, that believers are saved and will enter into paradise, and that unbelievers are not and will face the consequences. Such arguments work to the understanding that believers are the beneficiaries of a great gift - specific salvation and redemption, a gift which is denied to some others.

Such arguments are based on the language of the 'old covenant' of obedience to God's will, and in the Gospel according to John we begin to see such language turned, changed, and we receive a very different picture. Yes, Christ talks of the good shepherd who guards the sheep, and the gatekeeper, and even declares himself to be the gate through whom we find eternal life, but here the notions of exclusion and exclusivity end.

In the upper room, when Christ shared the bread and wine with his disciples, God declares a new covenant, and this new covenant makes no distinction. The meaning of the Passion, of Christ's dying on the cross and rising from the tomb in a revelation of God's love, is that all are elect, all are redeemed and made whole. That is the glorious message of Easter that we are called to live out, a message which demonstrates God's love for all, not because we've earned it, but because this is God's bountifully generous gift to us.

With all love and blessings as Eastertide continues,

Emily

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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: Emily Fraser
Reader: Penny Galbraith
Intercessor: Peter Forwood
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Euch. Asst. Penny Galbraith

9.00am Breakfast

10.00am Sung Eucharist

*Readings: Acts 2. 42-47; Psalm 23;
1 Peter 2, 1-10; John 10.1-10*

Presider: David Moore
Preacher: Emily Fraser
Deacon: Kuncoro Rusman
Sub-Deacon: John Manton
Readers: Adrienne Bolch
Georgina Porter
Intercessor: Andrew Porter
Cantor: Judy Moore
Servers: Jenny Cook (MC)
Geoff Vincent
James Moorhouse
Sue Banting
Euch. Assts. Sub Deacon
Ross Smith

KIDZ@CHURCH: Clare Tomasov, Alicia White

12 noon Regina Caeli

3.00pm Indonesian - Eucharist
Emily Fraser, Kuncoro Rusman

4.00pm “Confessing our Faith” -
Dempster Room

6.00pm Contemplative Service

EASTERTIME After the liturgical simplicity and austerity of Lent, we now pull out all the stops – bells, magnificent flowers, gold and white cloths, an abundance of candles, the fragrance of incense, singing many Alleluias. 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 available today. Please take a copy.

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. Thanks to Judy Moore for painting this year's Paschal Candle.

ASCENSION DAY On the 40th day of Eastertime the church celebrates the exaltation of the crucified and risen Christ - and Christ's accomplishment, which is the exaltation of all flesh, the 'fullness of the One who fills all in all'. All are welcome to celebrate the feast - **6.30pm Thursday 29 May**, in the chapel - followed by optional dining out locally after the Eucharist.

CONFESSING OUR FAITH: this next unit in the Trinity Certificate commences **TODAY** at 4pm in the Dempster Room. Casual attenders welcome - \$10. Please enter via the Parish Centre entrance, NOT through the church.

THANK YOU to *all* who worked very hard to make the cake stall a success. Proceeds shared between Anglicare Victoria and Camcare.

OPEN FORUM Everyone is welcome and warmly invited to participate in a parish 'Open Forum' – **11.30am-12.30pm Sunday 25 May**, in the Rutherford Room. This will be a conversation which I will chair. The agenda is open. There will be no motions, nor is debate its aim – that's what Parish Council is quite properly set up to do. Rather, the aim is for us to hear each other, freed from the need to rebut. There will be no 'minutes' – but the key points will be summarised and distributed to all afterwards. I will be very happy to answer any questions which are mine to answer, and I will be most grateful to hear from you about what matters. Though I should add that I do not intend this to be primarily a conversation with me - rather I envisage an atmosphere in which all of us converse with each other about the mission and ministry of St John's. *David*

CHORAL FOUNDATION BROCHURES can be found at the back of the Church. This programme has been a joyous and significant innovation, raising the quality of our weekly worship and bringing young people into our faith community. To maintain the Foundation into its second year we need more people to contribute. Please speak to our Director of Music, David Byrne, if you would like to support the Foundation.

LIVING WITH DEMENTIA: Saturday 24 May 10am-4.00pm at Holy Trinity, Cnr. Union Road and Montrose Street, Surrey Hills. *Speaker: Rev Prof. Elizabeth MacKinlay AM PhD FACN.* More information on noticeboard along with forms to register by 14 May. Cost \$65 (includes refreshments and lunch). Enquiries: June Anderson 9808 0390 or email junea@bigpond.net.au

YEAR'S MIND: We remember before God, Henry Jowett, Phyllis Wedlick, William Lambert, Edna Thompson, George (Bill) Alenson, George Oakenfull, William Jardine, Lois Branch, and Ida Ng, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

ARRANGEMENTS DURING KEITH'S ABSENCE: Keith is away until Monday 19 May. Graham is away from 10 to 19 May. In his absence please contact Kerry Pratt on any matters relating to Keith's absence.

NEXT SUNDAY at the 10am Eucharist the children from Kidz@Church and J2A will be participating.

“JESUS, THE FORGIVING VICTIM” - JAMES ALISON, a Catholic theologian, priest and author will give a **Public Lecture:** “Cinderella no longer...taking hope to the ball”. Wednesday 21 May 7.00-8.30pm Burge Theatre, Trinity College. Flyer with more events on noticeboard. Register by 19th May. <http://www.eventbrite.com.au/australian-girard-seminar-and-st-peters-eastern-hill-6387228803>.

ANGLICARE FOOD BASKET: As winter approaches Mission House is in desperate need of more food donations. Could you please consider this request and place items of non-perishable foods in the basket at church on Sundays, or leave at the office during office hours. At the back of the church is a list of foods that are needed. Please take a copy.

FUTURE DATES

ASCENSION DAY: 29 May—Eucharist 6.30pm. See notice on page 2.

FAMILY EUCHARIST: Sunday 18 May 10am.

OPEN FORUM: Sunday May 25—11.30am -12.30pm in the Rutherford Room.

PARISH CONVERSATION on Asylum Seekers and Refugees : May 28: 7.15pm— See flyer with these notices.

WINTER DINNER: Friday July 25.