

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

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

### TUESDAY 18 November.

12 noon Eucharist in the Chapel  
12.45pm Staff Meeting  
3.15pm Liturgy Meeting

### WEDNESDAY 19 November

9.30am Little Seeds Playgroup  
11.00am Eucharist at Broughton Hall  
11.30am Eucharist in the Chapel  
12.15pm BYO Lunch in Dempster Room  
12.30pm ADFAS lunch in Rutherford Room

### THURSDAY 20 November

7.30pm Choir Practice  
8.00pm Thursday Study Group at Ross' home

### SATURDAY 22 November

10.00am Communications Committee meets in Dempster Room

### ADVANCE NOTICE:

#### 2015 PARISH RETREAT:

Booked at Pallotti College for the weekend of Friday 27 February to Sunday 1 March. All are welcome and warmly encouraged.

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## NEXT SUNDAY - 23 November, 2014

### Reign of Christ

Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100 or 95.1-7;

Ephesians 1.15-23; Matthew 25.31-46

### 8am EUCHARIST

**Presider:** David Moore  
**Preacher:** David Moore  
**Readers:** Pamela Bowen & Oliver Beaumont  
**Intercessor:** Keith Dempster  
**Server:** Neil Nyholm  
**Euch. Asst.** Keith Dempster

### 10am SUNG EUCHARIST

**Presider:** Emily Fraser  
**Preacher:** David Moore  
**Deacon:** Kuncoro Rusman  
**Sub-Deacon:** John Manton  
**Readers:** Ross Smith  
Kerry Pratt  
**Intercessor:** Barbara Fary  
**Servers:** Ross Smith (MC)  
Geoff Vincent, Jenny Cook, Sue Banting  
**Euch. Assts.** Sub-Deacon; Penny Galbraith  
**Kidz@Church:** Liz Pratt and Janice Wong

**11.30am ANNUAL MEETING** in Rutherford Room

**12 noon The Angelus** in the Chapel

**3.00pm INDONESIAN**—Kuncoro Rusman

**6.00pm CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE**—Keith Dempster



# CONTACT

**ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL**  
**Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost—16 November 2014**

Last week in her sermon Dorothy Lee mentioned that the parable of the ten young girls as one of those texts which preachers fear to draw in the lectionary selection of gospel texts for Sunday services. Today's passage, the parable of the talents, which immediately follows on from last week's reading, is another that the preacher needs to approach with caution in order to get the most out of it.

Caution is needed because the passage can be over-simplified into a moral lesson about honing our talents and making the most of them. While this is a worthy and positive reminder about being all that we can be, and refining our God-given talents to their best, the passage asks us to dig deeper than only making a surface reading.

When we dig deeper, taking the whole message of the parable into consideration, it becomes related to the *eschaton*, the end times, and a concept of final reckoning. The narrative of the talents becomes a parable about daily living, given the expectation of the end times, and there is a significant lesson within this passage as to how we are to live given the expectation of the *parousia*, the return of Christ in the second coming. The Matthean community, and the early Christian community, believed this was imminent, and so this passage speaks to the need to be vigilant, ever prepared to render an account of one's actions, even to a judge who will not readily have mercy.

While the *parousia* has not yet occurred, we can still take to hearts the Gospel's message about taking responsibility for ourselves and our actions, neither being lazy out of fear or out of complacency, an assumption that we are the chosen elect. This then becomes a reading about remaining in the moment, living life with enthusiasm and living our faith to its fullest, rather than resting on future laurels or being overly fearful in the face of the idea of judgement.

With much love and many blessings,

Emily

## 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 10 am liturgy.

### 8.00am Eucharist

Presider: Emily Fraser  
Preacher: Emily Fraser  
Readers: Graham & Elisabeth Pratt  
Intercessor: Hans Ferdinands  
Server: Hans Ferdinands  
Euch. Asst. Graham Pratt

### 10.00am Sung Eucharist

Presider: Emily Fraser  
Preacher: Emily Fraser  
Deacon: Kuncoro Rusman  
Sub-Deacon: Cynthia Nyholm  
Readers: Jonathan & Wendy Way  
Intercessor: Muriel Porter  
Cantor: Eleanor Forwood  
Servers: Jenny Cook (MC)  
James Moorhouse  
Robin Carter  
Neil Nyholm  
Euch. Assts. Sub-Deacon, Neil Nyholm  
KIDZ@CHURCH: Sue Pratt and Debbie Pratt

### 12 noon The Angelus

### 3.00pm Indonesian Eucharist

Kuncoro Rusman

### 6.00pm Contemplative Service

Keith Dempster

**THE VICAR** is on annual leave today, returning to duties tomorrow.

### Readings for the Day

*Judges 4.1-10; Psalm 90;  
1 Thessalonians 5.1-11; Matthew 25. 14-30.*

### ANNUAL MEETING - 23 NOVEMBER NOMINATIONS FOR POSITIONS

#### People's Wardens: (2 positions)

Noela Manton

John Lester

#### Parish Council: (up to 6 positions)

Glenis Heath

Lucky Kalonta

Alicia White

Jascha Gunawan

Natasha Bolch

Andrew Porter

Noela Manton

#### Incumbency Committee: (2 positions)

Ross Smith

Georgina Porter

### FR BRIAN

Our long term Honorary Associate Priest, The Reverend Dr Brian Porter, has announced to the Archbishop and All Saints Mitcham that he will be concluding his 14 month duty as Locum Vicar there on 30 November. From December Brian will be returning home to assist with priestly and pastoral ministry. I know that Brian rejoices that he will be back worshipping with us (and Muriel) in retirement. I'm grateful for Brian's willingness to serve on our ministry team. *Fr David*

**ADVENT QUIET DAY:** Saturday 6 December, 10am-3pm at Carmelite Centre Melbourne. See noticeboard or <http://thecarmelitecentremelbourne.org/advent-oasis-day-saturday-6-december-10-00am-3-00pm/> - Enquiries: Michelle Trebilcock.

**ANGLICARE** continues its Christmas appeal. Food items of a Christmas nature to fill 700 hampers are really needed. These hampers will provide such cheer to the many needy families that look for help. Goods such as tinned ham, tinned seafood, light fruit cake and shortbread are ideal.

**ANGLICARE** would also appreciate the donation of gifts for younger and older children. Anglicare asks that toys are new and left unwrapped. Copies of a suggestion list are available at the back of the church for you to take. *Thankyou.*

**AN OCCASIONAL MEN'S DINNER** has been arranged for Thursday, 27th November, 6.30 for 7.00 pm. Please RSVP your intention to attend by email to [office@stjohnscamberwell.org.au](mailto:office@stjohnscamberwell.org.au) or by adding your name to the list at the rear of the church by 25th November. Cost: \$20 at the door. Feel free to bring a friend. Enquiries to Kerry Pratt - [kerry.pratt@monash.edu](mailto:kerry.pratt@monash.edu)  
The speaker is Prof. Peter Darvall AO - The Topic "*The Life and Legacy of General Sir John Monash*".

**AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH  
CALENDAR — 2015 — NOW  
AVAILABLE** from Dawn Harvey. Funds raised assist Anglican Overseas Aid—\$12 each.

#### Sunday 30 November

#### Saturday 6 December

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#### Sunday 7 December

#### Saturday 13 December

#### Saturday 20 December

#### Tuesday 23 December

#### Wednesday 24 December

#### Thursday 25 December

### ADVENT—CHRISTMAS 2014

Advent 1—Blessing of Advent Wreath.

Advent Quiet Day 10am-3pm Carmelite Centre Melbourne.

5pm Feast of St Nicholas in the Chapel followed by "Making Care Parcels" and meal in Rutherford Room.

7.30pm Ecumenical Carols at Camberwell Uniting Church.

Advent Quiet Morning—Church and Parish Centre

5pm Indonesian Celebration

10am Christingle making in the Rutherford Room.

Christmas Eve in the Church

5.00pm Christingle Service

11.00pm Carols

11.30pm Christmas Mass

Christmas Day

9.00am Sung Eucharist

**YEAR'S MIND:** We remember before God, Frank Cheshire, Les Bowen, David Sankey (Priest), Margaret Jessie Pitman, Jean Corin, Mary McPhee, Elaine Moyle, Marjorie Driberg, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**The Friends of St John's Community Support Group** BYO Lunch Time Meeting Monday 1 December at 12 pm in the Dempster Room. This is a chance to talk about our activities in the community and to share suggestions for outreach ministry in the coming year. We invite Parishioners who may be interested in hearing about our activities or becoming involved next year. RSVP Liz Pratt [liz@pratt.id.au](mailto:liz@pratt.id.au)

### FUTURE DATES

**ANNUAL MEETING** November 23 in Rutherford Room 11.30am.

**MEN'S DINNER:** Thursday 27 November 6.30 for 7.00pm.

**FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP—** Monday 1 December at 12 noon. BYO lunch and meeting in Dempster Room.

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE** Planning meeting 10am Saturday 29 November