

FUTURE DATES

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Parish will be held next Sunday 25 November at 11.30am.

St John's Anglicare Partnership Group will hold a lunch on Monday 26 November at 12.30pm. See notice on page 3.

The Friends of St John's Community Support Group end of year BYO lunch time meeting is on Monday 3 December at 12 noon.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

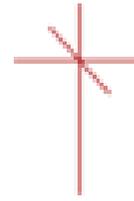
*Morning (9am) and Evening Prayer (5pm)
Mondays to Fridays unless mentioned below.*

TUESDAY 20 November

12 noon Eucharist in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY 21 November

11.00am Eucharist at Broughton Hall



CONTACT

ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL
Pentecost 26—18 November 2018

The 'End times'

Today's Gospel reading, from Mark Chapter 13, is challenging in its depiction of the 'End times'. Professor Dorothy Lee offers a wise reflection:

“How are we to interpret this difficult chapter of Mark's Gospel for ourselves today? We know that throughout church history, Christians have sometimes taken these passages very literally indeed. Even today we find people who are convinced they know when the End will be, despite what Jesus says in verse 32. Mark tells us that we can never be sure. It is possible to be overly confident about interpreting such passages in the Bible. In fact, Mark 13 does not contain a blueprint of what the future will be. We need to be careful of becoming obsessed with the question of the future and ignoring the reality of the present. To do so is to move away from Mark's intentions in presenting us with this material.

“In one sense, what Mark is suggesting is that God's future is always pressing upon us, always calling us to live in hope, always challenging us to discern intelligently the signs of the times in the midst of suffering. We are not to be discouraged by suffering because, in God's hands, it can become the labour pains of the kingdom...

“We are to live with a sense of expectation and hope that God's kingdom will come, no matter how bad things look in the world around us. We may not know the when or the how of the End, but we do know that the reality of God's future will one day overtake and transform the present. Good will triumph over evil. The church, for all its faults and inadequacies, will be gathered together with the whole of creation into the final embrace of God.”

Dorothy Lee, *The Last Days of Jesus:*

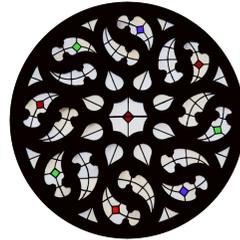
Mark 11 to 16,

Albatross Books, Sydney, 1993, pp. 85-87

ANGLICARE CHRISTMAS CARDS are now available and on display in the Rutherford Room after church on Sundays and in the office through the week. Please place your orders on the list provided. Help support a good cause by your purchase. *Ann Darlington*

ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDARS are available for sale on Sundays or at the office during office hours—Cost \$12 each. Supporting Anglican Overseas Aid.

KEEP UP TO DATE with information by using the St John's Camberwell website. Contact is uploaded promptly. www.stjohnscamberwell.org.au



Christian representations of the Divine Oneness are found in the rose windows in church buildings, such as the two rose windows in the transepts at St John's (as reproduced above). The rose window is concentric, a circle composed of many parts, varying in style and complexity and colour, but in every case a symbol of the integration of the separate parts into wholeness, one-ness.

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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 after the 10am liturgy.

SERVICES TODAY

8am EUCHARIST
Presider: John Baldock
Preacher: Muriel Porter
Readers: Liz Pratt, Graham Pratt
Intercessor: Hans Ferdinands
Server: Geoff Vincent
Euch. Asst.: Hans Ferdinands

10am SUNG EUCHARIST
Presider: John Baldock
Preacher: Muriel Porter
Deacon: Richard Wilson
Sub-Deacon: Cynthia Nyholm
Readers: Jonathan Way, Wendy Way
Intercessor: Andrew Porter
Cantor: Janette Fly
Servers: Ross Smith (MC), Annette Holland, Ferry Hasiholan, Sue Banting

Euch. Assts.: Sub-Deacon, Carole Nicholls
For children: Please make use of activities at the back of the church.

AFTER SUNG EUCHARIST:
BOOKSTALL in the Rutherford Room.

6.00pm EVENING WORSHIP

LECTIONS FOR THE DAY

*Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16,
Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25; Mark 13:1-11*

St John's 'Parish Covenant' is the basis for all relationships, social interactions, and patterns of behaviour within and concerning the Parish. It is on display in the narthex and available on the parish website. All parishioners are encouraged to sign the Covenant, demonstrating their public commitment to a safe and healthy parish community.

BOOK STALL THIS MORNING: Once again, we warmly welcome Carol O'Connor, of St Peter's Bookroom. She has brought a fine selection of books and cards and gifts for sale at a bookstall following the Sung Eucharist.

A notice to those parishioners who give their offering in "My Weekly Offering" envelopes.

Please collect your replenishment box for 2018/2019 from the table at the back of the church, today.

Today you will be using the last of your current issue of envelopes. The new issue commences next Sunday, 25th November and extends to and includes 24th November 2019.

If you are expecting a new issue of envelopes for the next 12 months and your box is not on the table, or if you would like to commence using them (no cost), please print your name on the list provided on the table.

To those who wish to contemplate methods of giving their offering other than by cash- in-plate or envelopes

It is recommended, from church administration and security points of view, that giving as cash-in-plate or in envelopes is minimised in favour of giving by means of the preferred method of direct debit to the St John's account at the Anglican Development Fund (ADF) or as a direct debit/Electronic Bank Transfer to the St John's bank account.

Please contact Stewardship Recorder, Jonathan Way for any information/queries related to these envelopes or for adopting other methods of giving.

NOTICES FOR CONTACT should be in the office by 1pm on Wednesdays.

ANNUAL MEETING NEXT SUNDAY:

The 2018 Annual Meeting will be held next Sunday at 11.30am. All parishioners listed on the revised parish electoral roll (now on display) are entitled to vote and speak at the meeting; others are welcome to attend. All are encouraged to come to the meeting.

Nominations for Churchwardens (two vacancies), Parish Council members (six vacancies) and members of the Parish Incumbency Committee (two vacancies) have now closed. Glenis Heath and Cynthia Nyholm are the only nominations for Churchwardens; six people – Alison Asquith, Adrienne Bolch, Brian Crouch, Lee Ewe, Hans Ferdinands and Ross Smith – have nominated for Parish Council, and two – Don Heath and Ross Smith – have nominated for the Incumbency Committee. There will not need to be elections for these positions at the Annual Meeting. The nominations are on display in the narthex.

The book of reports for the Annual Meeting is now available. Please take your copy today, and bring it with you to the Annual Meeting.

LUNCH INVITATION

Members of
*ANGLICARE VICTORIA PARTNERSHIP
GROUP ST JOHN'S*

extend an invitation to our supporters and guests to join us on

Monday 26 November at 12.30pm
for lunch and to hear

Dr Bronwyn Hughes speak on
*"Stained Glass, an enduring Christian
tradition"*.

RSVP: Sue Hodges email
srndhodes@gmail.com or add your name to the list in the Rutherford Room on Sunday.

BUSH CHURCH AID BOXES are due. Please hand to Carole Nicholls on Sundays or to the office during office hours.

NEXT SUNDAY 25 November 2018

The Feast of the Reign of Christ

*2 Samuel 23:1-7; Psalm 132:1-12;
Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18: 33-37*

8.00am EUCHARIST

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Intercessor: Geoff Vincent
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Presider: John Baldock
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Deacon: Richard Wilson
Sub-Deacon: Ross Smith
Readers: Brian Porter, Sue Banting
Intercessor: Adrienne Bolch
Servers: Neil Nyholm (MC), Sue Banting, Carole Nicholls, Alison Asquith

Euch. Assts.: Sub Deacon, Carole Nicholls
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6.00pm EVENING WORSHIP

ANGLICARE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

November is an even busier month at Mission House. Christmas bags for families and children are already being prepared. If you wish to donate please do so now. A leaflet with details is available in the narthex. Our Partnership Group has purchased books for boys (at the request of Mission House). They cost \$8 each and you may like to cover the cost as your donation. Please see Dawn Harvey for details.

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