

# CONTACT



**ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL**  
**The Fifth Sunday in Lent—18 March 2018**

## A Good Lent

A good Lent must overflow in generosity. It's one of the signs. How do we live a good Lent with those we live with? What are the bumps in the road that we need to smooth out? What are the relationships that have been neglected and that are full of clutter that needs removing? They can be very difficult: fractured relationships may be easily mendable little irritations- but it may be that we need, in a good Lent, to take the first step to clearing away a major landslide.

Fifty years ago as a student living within a religious community we regularly were encouraged to participate in what was known as 'Fault Chapter'. This was part of a prayer discipline of confession with one another, of being open with one another in prayer. It is not a lot of laughs, sitting with someone you live with, having to confess where you have gone wrong. However this activity does make a functioning community. We need to deal with what it is we find in those closest to us.... The Archbishop of Canterbury's religious community of St. Anselm follows a similar procedure in their community life at Lambeth.

How do we do this in practice? Openness, transparency, and also using the same approach to scripture as I suggested at the beginning of Lent: *What is being said? What is going on? What is the meaning?* We need to treat each person and situation differently. If we are going to deal with relationships, if we are going to smooth the road so God finds a living community of those who love one another and shine out and overflow with the goodness of Christ, then we will need to deal with each other individually, openly with trust and care. Remember the story of Zacchaeus, dramatic and at the same time humorous-the events would have shocked the crowd that looked on. Here is a bad guy, a tax collector, received by Jesus-who knew his name-who then invites Jesus to come to his home. Jesus accepts and Zacchaeus repents and turns away from all he does wrong. What is here is a series of mended relationships. Zacchaeus repairs his relationship with the community of Israel. With Jesus he makes a new relationship and he sorts himself out with God. His household has been turned into a place of hospitality rather than extortion. That is a good Lent lived out in a few hours in Jericho on a hot day. May each of strive to live out a good Lent.

**Ken**

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

*Morning (9.30am) and Evening Prayer (5pm)*  
*Tuesdays to Fridays unless mentioned below.*

### TUESDAY 20 March

**12 noon** Eucharist in the Chapel

### WEDNESDAY 21 March

**11.00am** Eucharist at Broughton Hall

### THURSDAY 22 March

**11.00am** Interment of the Ashes of Ann Taylor and Bruce Taylor in the Memorial Garden by the Rev. Trevor Smith

**12 noon** Lent Study— Rutherford Room

**7.30pm** Choir Practice (Extra)

## EASTER TRIDUUM

### the Great Three Days of the Christian year 8pm Holy Thursday 29 March

Liturgy of the Lord's Supper, Stripping of the Altar, Reservation of the Sacrament  
9.30pm to 9.30am Night-Watch of Our Lord's Passion

### 9.30am Good Friday 30 March

Liturgy of the Cross & Communion

### 6am Easter Day 1 April

Great Vigil of Easter, New Fire, Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation of Baptism, & 1<sup>st</sup>

Eucharist of Resurrection

8am Easter Breakfast

10am Sung Eucharist

## FUTURE DATES

**Anglicare Partnership Group:** Monday March 26 at 2.15pm—*Jerusalem—a Holy Week Reflection*

**Patronal Festival:** May 6 - special guest will be Fr John Deane ABM Executive Director. One liturgy only this day at 10am.

**Ascension Day**—Thursday 10 May—6.30pm Eucharist followed by Education for Ministry program introduction.

**Parish Retreat:** 11th—13th May at Santa Casa, Queenscliff. **Numbers are limited to 19.** Please put your name on the list on noticeboard if you wish to attend.

**Cake & Preserves Stall**—In Burke Road—Saturday 12 May 9am-1.00pm

## HOLY WEEK

### Palm Sunday 25 March

10 am Ecumenical Liturgy of Palms & Sung Eucharist

6pm 'Via Crucis' by Franz Liszt, performed by Roger Creed

### Holy Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (26 - 28 March)

8pm Eucharist with homily

### Holy Saturday 31 March

9.30am Morning Prayer followed by church preparations

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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 following the 10am liturgy in the Rutherford Room.

## SERVICES TODAY

### 8.00am EUCHARIST

**President:** Ken Hewlett  
**Preacher:** Ken Hewlett  
**Reader:** Neil Nyholm  
**Intercessor:** Keith Dempster  
**Server:** Hans Ferdinands  
**Euch. Asst.** Neil Nyholm

### 10am SUNG EUCHARIST

**President:** Ken Hewlett  
**Preacher:** Ken Hewlett  
**Deacon:** Richard Wilson  
**Sub-Deacon:** Neil Nyholm  
**Readers:** Jonathan Way, Wendy Way  
**Intercessor:** Adrienne Bolch  
**Cantor:** Ben Sharrock  
**Servers:** Ross Smith (MC), Robin Carter, Annette Holland, Sue Banting  
**Euch. Assts.:** Sub-Deacon, Jonathan Way  
**For children:** Please make use of activities at the back of the church.

### 6.00pm EVENING PRAYER & LENT STUDY

*'Listening to the Wisdom of the Desert'*

#### LECTIONS FOR THE DAY

*Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 119:9-16;  
Hebrews 5:5-14; John 12:20-33*

**MARK'S GOSPEL WITHOUT CHAPTER & VERSE:** Professor Dorothy Lee has made available to us a copy of the complete Mark's Gospel without division into chapters and verses so we can get a better idea of Mark's story - something she highly recommended in her address last Sunday. If you would like a copy, please speak to Muriel Porter.

**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.

**NEXT SUNDAY** is **Palm Sunday of the Passion**, the entry to Holy Week.

**In the morning**, we will begin the 10am Sung Eucharist by processing to our Lady of Victories Basilica for the ecumenical Palm Liturgy, before returning to St John's for the Eucharist. Please ensure you arrive at St John's by 9.50am. Those who cannot manage the procession are invited to wait quietly in prayer in the church for the rest of the congregation to return.

**In the afternoon**, consider joining in the 'Walk for Justice for Refugees'. Anglican participants will gather at St Paul's Cathedral at 1.30pm before leaving at 1.40pm to walk together to the State Library to join other church and community groups. We are invited to bring palm branches and banners.

**In the evening** at 6pm, Roger Creed will perform Liszt's moving 'Via Crucis' as we enter into the Way of the Cross in prayer, reading, image and music.

#### Night-Watch of Prayer

In the hours between the Holy Thursday Last Supper and the Good Friday Liturgy of the Cross Christians are invited to **journey with Jesus** - in his agony in the garden of Gethsemane, his arrest, his humiliations, beatings and trials before religious and political leaders, and with Christ to enter into the world's suffering and agony, here and now as much as there and then. This year we will again keep the Night-Watch of Prayer **ALL NIGHT from 9.30pm Holy Thursday until 9.30am Good Friday**. It is important to **sign up on the roster in the church**. The night is divided into 1hour slots and there needs to be a **minimum of 2 persons** at any time. If you have any questions, please speak to Ross Smith.

**LENT BOOK:** More copies of the recommended Lent book, *Say it to God: in Search of Prayer*, by Luigi Giovia, the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2018 are available today for \$20 each from Muriel Porter today or in the parish office during the week.

**LENT RESOURCES:** Copies of the parish's Lent-Easter calendar and the revised edition of the booklet 'Paschal Mystery: Resources for Lent-Easter', are available in the narthex.

**LENT STUDIES:** The two weekly Lent study programs continue this week, with new participants always welcome. One study is on Thursdays at 12 noon (BYO lunch), with the second on Sundays, following Lenten Evening Prayer at 6pm. Tonight is the last of the Sunday Lent studies, as next Sunday night will be the 'Via Crucis' liturgy. (See separate notice).

**Friends of St John's Community Support Group:** Thank you to our volunteers who continue their ministry in the community. The ongoing need for support at our aged care homes and for the Camcare Community Support Group is always welcome. Volunteers are needed for the outreach activities: -

**Camcare** - Bread run roster - once a month (late Thursday afternoons); The monthly community lunch time BBQ at Camcare, last Thursday in the month.

**Aged Care Homes:** Mary MacKillop, Shenley Manor & Camberwell Gardens : Visiting residents; Coffee Chats; Cards; Art/Painting/Scrap Book/Craft; Gardening; Walking Group; Bus Outings; Knitting; Sing alongs; Men's group. Monthly Anglican service at **Shenley Manor** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday.

If you are interested and can volunteer weekly, fortnightly, monthly or occasionally please contact Liz Pratt.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY DURING WORSHIP:**

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## NEXT SUNDAY —25 March 2018

### *Palm Sunday of the Passion*

*Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-18;  
Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:27*

### 8am EUCHARIST

**President:** Ken Hewlett  
**Reader:** Bruce Sanderson  
**Intercessor:** Geoff Vincent  
**Server:** Hans Ferdinands  
**Euch. Asst.** Geoff Vincent

### 10am SUNG EUCHARIST

*Commencing at Our Lady of Victories*

**President:** Ken Hewlett  
**Deacon:** Richard Wilson  
**Sub-Deacon:** Cynthia Nyholm  
**Passion reading:** Adrienne Bolch, John Manton, Kerry Pratt and Muriel Porter.

**Litany of the Passion:** Adrienne Bolch  
**Servers:** Ross Smith (MC), Alison Asquith, Geoff Vincent, Janice Wong

**Euch. Assts.:** Sub-Deacon, Janice Wong  
**For children:** Please make use of activities at the back of the church.

**6.00pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 'Via Crucis' Franz Liszt—Pianist: Roger Creed: Officiant: Helen Creed**

#### **JERUSALEM: A Holy Week**

**Reflection:** The next Anglicare meeting will be on Monday March 26 at 2.15 pm in the Rutherford room. The guest speaker will be Fr. Roger Featherstone, tour leader to the Holy Land. All are welcome. Afternoon tea will be available.

#### **MEMORIAL FLOWERS FOR EASTER:**

You are invited to give a donation for the flowers for Easter Day in memory of loved ones whose names will appear on a displayed banner. Forms are available at the back of the church to complete and place together with your donation in the box nearby. Speak with Wendy Way if you have any queries.

**YEAR'S MIND:** We remember before God, Phyllis Ferguson, and Bob Chapman, whose anniversaries occur at this time.