

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

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

TUESDAY 20 May

12 noon Eucharist
12.45pm Staff Meeting
3.15pm Liturgy Meeting

WEDNESDAY 21 May

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

PARISH WEBSITE: A reminder that you can find 'Contact' for each Sunday, as well as the sermon, on the parish website: www.stjohnscamberwell.org.au. They are uploaded promptly. So if you are away from church for any reason, you can keep up-to-date with parish life. If you do not have access to the internet and would like print-outs of the sermons, please phone the parish office.

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NEXT SUNDAY - 25 May 2014

Easter 6

Acts 17.22-31; Psalm 66. 7-19;
1 Peter 3.8-22; John 14. 15-21.

8am EUCHARIST
Presider: David Moore
Preacher: Kuncoro Rusman
Deacon: Kuncoro Rusman
Readers: Oliver Beaumont & Pamela Bowen
Intercessor: Hans Ferdinands
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Euch. Asst. Hans Ferdinands

10.00am SUNG EUCHARIST

Presider: David Moore
Preacher: Kuncoro Rusman
Deacon: Kuncoro Rusman
Sub-Deacon: Neil Nyholm
Readers: Verona Lea, Neil Nyholm
Intercessor: Sue Pratt-O'Donnell
Servers: Ross Smith (MC)
Geoff Vincent, James Moorhouse,
Robin Carter

Euch. Assts. Sub-Deacon; Verona Lea
Kidz@Church: Andrew Porter, Georgina Porter
and Jacquelyn Bergstrum

12.00 noon Regina Caeli in the Chapel

3.00pm INDONESIAN : Kuncoro
Rusman

4.00pm CONFESSING OUR FAITH

6.00pm CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE



CONTACT

ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL

Easter 5—18 May 2014

My Dear Friends,

There's nothing like budget week for spin doctoring. Do Christians know anything about 'the economy'? Well, the word has been lifted from the Greek *οικονομια* *oikonomia*, a favourite scriptural word which literally means the stewardship of the household. God is the chief steward, and God's interest is justice for the poor and marginalised. Paul is keen on this word too, which in his usage includes the administration of the *ευαγγελιον* *evangelion*, the good news in Christ – which as we all know is a scandal, a stumbling block, to the wealthy, the self-righteous, and the powerful:

"The system Jesus confronted (and ours as well) actually requires poverty as part of its dynamic. Wealth comes partly from profit on production but profit is increased by reduction of costs, and the greatest cost is labour. If people are not poor they will not be willing to accept low-paying jobs and will not compete against each other, which drives the pay even lower. Cheap labour has to be protected by a margin of unemployment (at least 6 per cent is desired) so as to put sufficient pressure on the poor. We ourselves are experiencing a global free market in cheap labour. The gospel announces that this is wrong and needs to be replaced by an alternative arrangement that protects *people* rather than *profits*." (Beatrice Bruteau)

The true economist's standard is not the ASX200, but what our tradition calls 'the kingdom'. Here's what Welsh priest and poet R S Thomas has to say about this true economy:

It's a long way off but inside it
There are quite different things going on:
Festivals at which the poor man
Is king and the consumptive is
Healed; mirrors in which the blind look
At themselves and love looks at them
Back; and industry is for mending
The bent bones and the minds fractured
By life. It's a long way off, but to get
There it takes no time and admission
Is free, if you will purge yourself
Of desire, and present yourself with
Your need only and the simple offering
Of your faith, green as a leaf.

Here's to the coming economy!

With my love, David

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.

FAMILY EUCHARIST It's a joy and delight this morning to have many of our younger parishioners ministering in the Eucharist. Of course, every Eucharist is a 'family' liturgy, so in one important sense the term is both redundant and misleading. Yet its use does acknowledge that in the 'normal' course of liturgical events our younger people leave the liturgical assembly at the Gathering rite, to celebrate their own Liturgy of the Word, returning at the time of Communion. Today we celebrate our being together, as one – one people, one place for breaking open the Word, one Table, one Bread, one Cup. All are invited today to turn mere words into enfleshed reality, by gathering as the one people around Christ's table. For practical reasons, some may need to sit in the front row of pews. As in all things liturgical, respecting and loving our bodily needs, whatever they may be, for both young and old alike, always takes precedence over liturgical rubrics.

8.00am Eucharist

Presider: David Moore
Preacher: David Moore
Reader: Geoff Vincent
Intercessor: Clergy
Server: Geoff Vincent
Euch. Asst. Clergy

10.00am Family Eucharist

Presider: Emily Fraser
Preacher: David Moore
Deacon: Kuncoro Rusman
Sub-Deacon: John Manton
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

Readings for the day:

*Acts 7.55-60; Psalm 31.1-5, 17-18;
1 Peter 2.11-25; John 14.1-14*

12 noon Regina Caeli

3.00pm Indonesian— 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 - 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.

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. Please put your name on the list on the noticeboard if you wish to dine out.

'CONFESSING OUR FAITH': This afternoon at 4pm in the Dempster Room the topic for discussion will be 'Jesus our Saviour'. Next week the topic will be 'New Life!' Casual attenders welcome: \$10 each. Please enter via the Parish Centre entrance, NOT through the church.

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*

MONDAY 26 MAY, 2.15PM Come to hear Amanda Touhy, Wildlife Artist, speak in the Rutherford Room on the topic "*There is beauty all around us*". Afternoon tea. This will be preceded by an Anglicare Auxiliary Meeting at 1.30pm. All welcome.

A PARISH CONVERSATION ON ASYLUM SEEKERS AND REFUGEES will be held on Wednesday evening 28 May in the Rutherford Room. Refreshments at 7.00pm before the Conversation starts at 7.15pm. The aim is to enable parishioners to hear the facts about this issue, to take part in discussion groups and ask questions of the speaker. An explanatory leaflet is available.

CAKE & PRESERVES STALL: Thank you to Diana Azzopardi, her team of helpers, and to donors for making the cake/preserves stall such a success—\$2010.70—to be shared by Anglicare and Camcare.

YEAR'S MIND: We remember before God, Nancy Murdoch, Gwen Goodisson, Lorraine O'Connor, Frederick Porter, Margery Parsons, and Kenneth Lake, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

ABM SOUTH SUDAN EMERGENCY APPEAL-working with the Episcopal Church of South Sudan & Sudan for relief supplies and peace building process that the church is engaged in. www.abmission.org/southsudan
Flyer and Donation forms are on the table at the back of the church.

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 on 9836 2232 or neicia@nsproject.com.au.

CELEBRATING RECONCILIATION: Boroondara Interfaith Network with the Wurundjeri Council invite people to a Wurundjeri Smoking Ceremony, cultural talk and barbecue. Friday 30 May 1pm to 3pm, Willsmere Park Billabong. Event is free. Bookings essential 9278 4753. See noticeboard for details and directions.

FUTURE DATES

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

PARISH CONVERSATION on Asylum Seekers and Refugees : Wednesday May 28: 7pm Refreshments—7.15 Conversation starts.

ASCENSION DAY: 29 May—Eucharist 6.30pm followed by optional dining out. See notice on page 2.

WINTER DINNER: Friday July 25.