

FUTURE DATES

Lent Studies

'Listening to the wisdom of the desert' –
Thursdays weekly to 22 March at 12 noon (BYO lunch)
Sundays weekly to 18 March at 6pm
'The Year of Mark' –
Two Lent Sundays, 11.30am-12.30pm
4 March 'The Spirituality of Mark's Gospel', Father John Stewart
11 March 'Mark's Story', Professor Dorothy Lee

Parish Retreat: 11th–13th May at Santa Casa, Queenscliff.

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

ANGLICAN BOARD OF MISSION

Special offering envelopes are available and we are invited to contribute generously to this important work of our national Church. Lent has traditionally been the season when the Australian Anglican Church has supported this work with our prayers and offerings.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

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

MONDAY 26 February

2.15pm What Anglicare is doing - A talk in the Rutherford Room by Darren Youngs of Anglicare.

TUESDAY 27 February

12 noon Eucharist in the Chapel

THURSDAY 1 March

12 noon Lent Study— 'Listening to the wisdom of the desert' - (BYO lunch)

7.30pm Choir practice

8.00pm Thursday Study Group at Ross' home

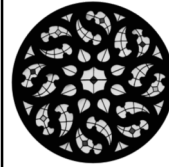
FRIDAY 2 March

1.30pm Ecumenical World Day of Prayer here in the Church - Speaker: David Lepore from The Bible Society. Followed by afternoon tea.

SATURDAY 3 March

8.30am Archives Group meets in Rutherford Room

PARISH RETREAT: 11th—13th MAY at Santa Casa, Queenscliff. Fr. Ron Browning will lead the retreat. Please put your name on the list on the noticeboard if you are interested in attending.



CONTACT

ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL
The Second Sunday in Lent—25 February 2018

A Good Lent

The annual observance of the season of Lent can enable us to look at our lives and our involvements and to evaluate their impact on us and those around us. Most people in modern society irrespective of their age seem always to be busy, always on the run. In this atmosphere of constant activity there is a very real chance that the main issues about life and our relationship with God can be pushed to the side or even indefinitely postponed.

Our being created in the very image and likeness of God is the starting point for us in our reflections in Lent as we recognise our need for repentance. As members of the human family we are connected to all who have gone before us and to those who will follow us; in this connectedness we are called to repentance both as individuals and as a community. Sometimes this repentance will also need to be national and international as we reflect on the actions that we and others have taken that have so hurt others who are either poor or vulnerable.

Each time we come for worship and participate in the Eucharist we pause to reflect on our lives as individuals and as a community before we join together in repenting using the words of the confession from the prayer book. Each time we stop for prayer either at home or when we call into a church a time of repentance should be made before our other prayers of thanks, praise or intercession.

In Lent we can re-consider the importance of both how the scriptures are read in public worship and how they are heard. Both reader and hearer share great responsibility in both the reading and the hearing, so let us in this Lent make sure that if we are reading we prepare our reading well and if we are listening let us make a renewed commitment to listen responsibly and attentively. After each reading there is provided a time of silence for reflection, similarly a longer period of silence is observed after the sermon; this corporate experience of shared silence can facilitate encounters with God and a sense of holiness in our lives.

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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
Prisider: Ken Hewlett
Preacher: Ken Hewlett
Readers: Bruce Sanderson, Keith Dempster
Intercessor: Hans Ferdinands
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Euch. Asst. Hans Ferdinands

10am SUNG EUCHARIST
Prisider: Richard Wilson
Preacher: Ken Hewlett
Deacon: Ken Hewlett
Sub-Deacon: Ross Smith
Readers: Georgina Porter, Rachael Lim
Intercessor: Andrew Porter
Cantor: Muriel Porter
Servers: Geoff Vincent (MC), Sue Banting, Carole Nicholls
Euch. Assts.: Sub-Deacon, Jenny Cook
For children: Please make use of activities at the back of the church.

6.00pm LENT STUDY
'Listening to the Wisdom of the Desert'
LECTIONS FOR THE DAY
Genesis 17: 1-7; 15-16; Psalm 121;
Romans 4: 13-25; Mark 9: 2-9

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.

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.

NEXT SUNDAY: Father John Stewart will speak about the spirituality of Mark's Gospel following the 10am Sung Eucharist, commencing at 11.30am and concluding about 12.30pm. This year, in the three-year cycle of Gospel readings, Mark's Gospel is central to our Sunday readings.

The following Sunday Professor Dorothy Lee will conclude the two-week series by telling us about Mark's story. Father Stewart will be the 10am preacher next Sunday, and Professor Lee the following week.

ARE YOU CONSIDERING BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION OR RECEPTION INTO THE ANGLICAN CHURCH? If so, please speak to Fr Ken as soon as possible. Our regional bishop, Bishop Genieve Blackwell, who will be presiding at the 6am Easter Vigil on 1 April, will be available to confirm or receive any seeking full membership of the Church. Since earliest times, the Easter Vigil has been the primary place for people to make their commitment to the faith.

LENT BOOK: We have ordered 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. They are available for \$20 each from Muriel Porter today or in the parish office during the week.

LENT STUDIES: The two weekly Lent study programs have begun but new participants are always welcome. Please do try to come to one of the studies – on Thursdays at 12 noon (BYO lunch), or Sundays, following Lenten Evening Prayer at 6pm. Both groups are using 'Listening to the Wisdom of the Desert', an excellent booklet by Garratt Publishing (\$8 a copy).

"SUPPORTING CHILDREN to REMAIN WITH THEIR FAMILY."

Darren Youngs—a Regional Director of Anglicare Victoria will tell us what Anglicare is doing in this area at our first meeting for 2018 **TOMORROW, MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY** at 2.15pm. Afternoon tea will follow.

ANGLICARE VICTORIA PARTNERSHIP GROUP ST JOHN'S

ST JOHN'S to host the 2018 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY 2 MARCH—1.30pm

Come and share in this ecumenical gathering

Other Camberwell Churches participating:
Camberwell Baptist, Camberwell Uniting Church, Our Lady of Victories Catholic, St Dunstan's Anglican, Salvation Army, South Camberwell Anglican.

Speaker—David Lepore from The Bible Society.

REVISED INTERIM SECURITY ARRANGEMENT: From today, the deacon will be responsible for securing the parish centre, including setting the alarm, after the 10am liturgy and morning tea. The parish centre will be locked at 12.15pm. This is part of the security review being undertaken by the churchwardens.

MORE THAN forty people from St John's joined the congregation at All Saints', Kooyong on 17 February to rejoice with The Rev'd Kuncoro Rusman at his Commissioning as Priest-in-Charge by Bishop Genieve Blackwell.

2018 BOOKMARK: The 2018 parish bookmark, with the key dates for Lent-Easter and the 2018 Spring Series, is available today. Please take one and keep it on hand through the year.

NEXT SUNDAY —4 March 2018 The Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19;
1 Corinthians 1:18-25 ; John 2:13-22

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Preacher: John Stewart
Deacon: Muriel Porter
Sub-Deacon: Geoff Vincent
Readers: Noela Manton, John Manton
Intercessor: Muriel Porter
Servers: Ross Smith (MC), Alison Asquith, Sue Banting and Robin Carter
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IF YOU KNOW ANYONE who would let us take palm leaves from their garden, please tell Keith Ph. 9819 1093

YEAR'S MIND: We remember before God, Stanley Penwarden, Peter Volk, Mirriam Quick, Weston Moorhouse, Laviah Annie Millott, Katrina Herschell, and Lalith de Soysa, whose anniversaries occur at this time.