

THE BRIDGE

THE ANGLICAN PARISH of St Peter's Ocean Grove & All Saints' Barwon Heads
OUR MISSION STATEMENT -
'TO KNOW CHRIST, AND MAKE CHRIST KNOWN'

January 8 2023 Epiphany 1.

9.30am. at St. Peter's and 11am. at All Saints'

Readings: - Isaiah 42. 1-9 Ps. 29. Acts 10. 34- 43. Matt. 3. 13 -17

Rev. Geoff Pittaway is our Locum Vicar for this week.

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'Peter fairly exploded with his good news.

'It's God's own truth, nothing could be plainer. God plays no favourites. It makes no difference who you are or where you're from ---if you want God and are ready to do as He says, the door is open. The message He sent to the children of Israel ---that through Jesus Christ everything is being put together again ---well, he's doing it everywhere – among everyone.'

Acts 10. 34-36.....taken from *The Message...the Bible in contemporary language* by Eugene Peterson

Next SUNDAY JANUARY 15 2023 Epiphany 2

Isaiah 49. 1 – 7 Ps. 40. 1-14 1Cor. 1. 1-9 John 1. 29 -42

We worship on the land of the Bengalat clan of the Wathaurong people, and we acknowledge and pay our respect to their Elders past, present & future

PRAY

- For our friends who are not well, that they may remember the love God has for them and that they will be comforted and strengthened by that knowledge.

Wendy Hudson, Deb Podbury, Glenys Russell, Pat Brady, Faye & Ken Bermingham, Dot Sutcliffe, Elizabeth Polley, David Bayne, Dawn White, Janet Paisley, Doris Loewy, Marcel, Alison Fane, Mark Johnstone, Alli McLaren, and those we know personally not on this list.

- For those with illnesses which medication will no longer help, and to their loved ones-give courage, strength, and comfort in their faith of the joy of eternal life.
- To those recently bereaved - give comfort and strength.
- For our members in residential care give peace, comfort & contentment.

Hilda Clyne, Shirley Dodgshun, Kaye Middlehurst, Anne Shady, Beth Ward, Jenny Wood, Shirley Trimble, Stella Scheiner, Ross Smith, Keith & Kaye Houston, Barry Judd, Dawn White, Shirley Welsh, Lorraine Holbrook and Rosemary Stark.

**He will cover you with his feathers and
under his wings you will find refuge. Psalm 91:4**

Lord of heaven and earth, I rest underneath your mighty wings of love.

I dwell within your gentle heart. I know there is healing in your touch.

Through the sufferings of Christ, I can ask for restoration, and trust in your goodness. You are my Lord, my Saviour, My healer, and my Friend. I dwell within your gentle embrace.

- Dawn and John will start their prayer- time on Tuesday mornings again in mid-January, however there will always be someone for you to ask for prayer... (Jill or Jill, prayer chain via Jill Mc., services on Tuesdays and Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays. Do not be afraid to ask for prayer).

PRAY FOR THE HEALING OF BODY, MIND AND SPIRIT.

'Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God.' Paul.

WHAT'S ON AND WHERE		
MONDAY	Hearts and Crafts 10 – 1 Bring along things you have started but haven't finished, or what you are creating now & enjoy the fellowship.	St. Peter's Old Church
TUESDAY	Prayers - group 9.30 and Prayers-personal 9.30 ish -12 with John & Dawn.	St. Peter's Foyer O. G
WEDNESDAY	Staff meeting after 8.30 Morning Prayer	Parish Office O.G
WEDNESDAY	Op shop 9.30 - 1 Jigsaw Library 10 - 12	All Saints' Hall B.H
FRIDAY	Op Shop 9.30 - 1	All Saints' Hall B.H
SATURDAY	Op Shop 9.30 – 1 Jigsaw Library 10 - 12	All Saints' Hall B.H
EVERY DAY	All Saints' church is open 9 – 5	All Saints' Church B.H

SERVICES

DAY	TIME	PLACE	SERVICE
Sunday	8 am	St. Peter's O. G	Holy Communion
Sunday	9.30 am	St. Peter's O. G	Holy Communion
Sunday	11 am	All Saints' B.H	Holy Communion
Tuesday	9.30 am	St. Peter's O.G.	Prayers
Wednesday	8.30	St. Peter's	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	10am.	St. Peter's O.G	Holy Communion
Saturday	9 am	St. Peter's O. G	Prayers

NOTICES

- Parish Directory - Last chance to check your name and details before new directory is printed. Please check details and tick beside your name.
Thank You ---Beryl

- *Pew news to Isobel Dean before 10pm Wednesday please.*

Email or message preferred, or Phone me if you can't manage one of those.

- Ladies- our coffee mornings will start again in February—2nd Thursday.....

DAILY READINGS BEGINNING JAN. 9TH 2023			
Monday 9	Ps.22.1-22	Gen.1.1-19	John 6.28- 40
Tuesday 10	Ps.25	Gen.1.20-2.3	John 6. 41-59
Wednesday 11	Pss.28;29	Gen.2.4-25	John 6. 60 - 71
Thursday 12	Ps.31	Gen.3. 1-19	John 7. 1-13
Friday 13	Ps.35.1-17	Gen 3.20-4.16	John 7.14-24
Saturday 14	Ps.34	Gen. 4.17- 5.5&21-24	John 7. 25 -36

MISSION NEWS

Mohammed's family feared his leprosy. He was locked indoors and not allowed outside. He had to sit in only one chair, use the one plate and cutlery set, and use a separate towel.

He said "When the first signs of leprosy emerged, I thought I was superman. My arm had become numb. I could hold a match to it and not feel a thing. When my neighbours said it was leprosy, my world collapsed."

His parents thought his illness was a punishment from God.

It was only by accident that they discovered that leprosy could be cured. Mohammed was taken to a clinic, and three years later he was healed. But the consequences continue to haunt him, and his siblings continue to be ashamed of his illness. Often the stigma attached to leprosy affects a person much longer than the disease itself.

He now travels the villages of Indonesia working to stop the stigma of leprosy and spreading the word that it can be cured. His message is that medication cures leprosy, but full recovery is only possible with family support.

Mohammed's work can be assisted by donating to The Leprosy Mission, and every \$1 donated will be matched by \$5 from the Australian Government.

The trouble with most of our prayers is that we give them as if we were picking up the telephone and ordering groceries—we place our order and hang up.

We need to **meditate, contemplate,** think of what we are praying about and for and then speak to the Lord as one man speaketh to another.



- Gordon B. Hinckley

We must never cease to pray for our children until they cease to breathe.

No case is hopeless while Jesus lives.

Charles Spurgeon.

While it looks like things are out of control, behind the scenes there is a God who hasn't surrendered His authority.

A.W Tozer

The reason why many are still troubled, still seeking, still making little forward progress is because they haven't yet come to the end of themselves. We're still trying to give orders and interfering with God's work within us. A.W. Tozer