

# 'THE BRIDGE'

'TO KNOW CHRIST, AND  
MAKE CHRIST KNOWN'

*Newsletter for*

THE ANGLICAN PARISH of

ST. PETER'S OCEAN GROVE

35-37 Draper St. Ocean Grove. 3226

& ALL SAINTS' BARWON HEADS

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4<sup>th</sup>. Sunday after Epiphany

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## Regular Service Times

SUNDAY	8am. FOLLOWED BY 9.30am at St. Peter's O.G. (& on Zoom) 11am at All Saints' B.H
TUESDAY	9.30am. Prayers at St. Peter's O.G
WEDNESDAY	8.30am. Morning Prayer at St. Peter's & 10am. Holy Communion
SATURDAY	9am. Prayers at St. Peter's- all welcome.

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

## TODAY'S READINGS

Deut. 11:18-21 Psalm 111 1 Cor. 8: 1-13 Mark 1:21 -28

Prayer-chain requests --- ring John Minotti.

If you want names on or off the prayer list in the Bridge... please speak with our Vicar first and then she will let me know. Thanks, Isobel.

Pew-sheet deadline 9.30 p.m. on Wednesday Email ,(ring) or message Isobel Dean

## VICAR'S VOICE

To my brothers and sisters,

Well, this my first week has been a full one. I began by attending a few of the ministry groups that run throughout the week, and I can honestly say I've been blown away and my heart is full to overflowing with joy. From the prayer groups on Saturday and Tuesday, to the Hearts and Craft on Monday, God is most certainly in this place. All glory to you Lord God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As I write this on Wednesday, I'm still to visit one or two more ministries, which I look forward to. I have also attended my first Wardens meeting, and met with our Associate, Jill Poole, so it's been an all-round great start.

Along with all these great things however, there has also been great sadness, as Bob and Gaye Fraser received the news of the sudden death of their daughter in law, Lisa (age 42). Please hold them, their son Ben, and granddaughters Edith and Lucy in your prayers. And may we remember that God is in it all, the things we celebrate and the things we mourn, but together with God's help we gain strength to endure all things.

It is going to take me some time to be able to attend to all the comings and goings within the parish, so I do ask for your patience and grace while I join your rhythm, but in time it will all come together, I am sure of that. Please know that I am approachable and open to you contacting me, so if you have any questions or concerns, please touch base with me. I will be trialling for a time to have Mondays as my sabbath, day off, but I will let you know if that changes down the track.

Know I am praying for you all and I ask, please pray for me through this time of transition and beginning.

Shalom Vicar Liz

## DAILY READINGS BEGINNING MONDAY January 29 2024

MON	Ps.69.1-16	Jeremiah 12. 1 -17	Philippians 1. 1-11
TUES	Ps. 72	Jeremiah 13. 1-17	Philippians 1. 12 -20
WED	Pss. 148; 149	Jeremiah 13. 18 -14. 6	Philippians 1. 21 -30
THURS	Ps. 74	Jeremiah 14. 7 -16	Philippians 2. 1-11
FRI	Ps. 77	Jeremiah 14. 17 -15. 9	Philippians 2. 12 - 18
SAT	Ps. 78. 16-38	Jeremiah 15. 10 -21	Philippians 2. 19 - 30

## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>

Isaiah 40:20-31

Ps 147:1-11

1 Cor 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

PRAYERS — for **all** of our unwell friends, that they may remember the love God has for them and be comforted and strengthened by that knowledge.

*Anne, David Bayne, Pat Brady, Joy Chellew, Alison Fane,  
Lyn Carey-Nicholson, Tom Hudson, Doris Loewy,  
Jenny Maxwell, Alli McLaren, Janet Paisley, Deb Podbury, Elizabeth  
Polley, Glenys Russell, and Dot Sutcliffe.*

...for those with illnesses which medication no longer helps, and to their loved ones give courage, strength, and comfort in their faith of the joy of eternal life.

...for those recently bereaved - give comfort and strength.

...for our members in residential care give peace, comfort & contentment.

*Barry Aitken, Ron Cameron, Shirley Dodgshun,  
Lorraine Holbrook, John Hoult, Stella Scheiner,  
Shirley Trimble, Beth Ward and Jenny Wood.*

**'He will cover you with his feathers and under his wings you will find refuge'.**

#### MISSION NEWS

**Leprosy Mission Project:** Australians are long-time supporters of the Anandaban Hospital in Nepal. And some have had a special connection with the healing ministry to people affected by leprosy and disability in Nepal.

Without government funding, TLM is offering 100 share contributions in the total cost of the new Self Care Unit which is to be built at Anandaban. The aim of this Unit is to help people like Amar, who has leprosy and cannot look after his 14 and 12 year old children on his own, since his wife died. His brother threw him out of his house once he realised that Amar had leprosy. For 2 years he lived under a bridge and survived by begging. Now at the hospital, he is scheduled to have surgery to correct his clawed hands. Living in the Self Care Unit will give him the best chance for a new life.

Each contribution is \$907, which is a tax-deductible donation towards the overseas building program.

As a "Contributor" your name will have a special place on the Gratitude Roll in the Meeting Hall of the Self Care Unit. You will receive general updates on the progress of the build.

As a "Contributor" you will be investing in the project by making a once-off tax deductible donation only.

TLM makes it clear that a "Contributor" 'does not legally own or have any financial interest, equity or ownership of the assets or operations of the Self-Care Unit, either now or ongoing'.

If you are interested, contact TLM on 52534004543 or [leprosymission.org.au](http://leprosymission.org.au)

## DIARY DATES - what's on & what's coming up

JAN 27	All Saints' January stall Sat 27th – Children's dress-ups.
JAN 28	Barwon Heads Focus Group Sun 28th after church.
FEB 13	Barwon Heads Combined Churches meeting Tues Feb 13 <sup>th</sup> 4pm at UCA.

### WHAT'S ON AND WHERE - regularly each week

MON	Hearts and Crafts 10 – 1.	St. Peter's Old Church
TUES	Prayers-personal 9.30 ish -12 with John & Dawn	St. Peter's Foyer O G
WED	Staff meeting 9 - 9.50	Parish Office O.G
WED	Op shop 9.30 - 1      Jigsaw Library 10 - 12	All Saints' Hall B.H
FRI	Op Shop 9.30 - 1	All Saints' Hall B.H
SAT	Op Shop 9.30 – 1      Jigsaw Library 10 - 12	All Saints' Hall B.H
DAILY	All Saints' church is open 9 – 5.	All Saints' Ch. B.H

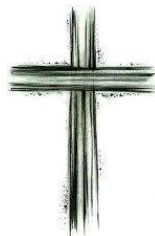
**Worry is worshipping your problem.**

**Prayer is surrendering it!**

**And just when the caterpillar thought her life was over, she began to fly!**



I can't -



-but

I know a  
guy...

**We can't direct the wind,  
but we can**



**adjust our sails.**

*Never give up on prayer.  
God sometimes answers in  
most unexpected ways.*

But what if I  
should fall?

But, darling, what  
if you should fly?

**A lot of people just need  
someone to be kind to  
them  
today .**

**Sometimes miracles are  
just good people  
with big hearts**