

'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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Feb. 4th 2024
5th. 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

Isaiah 40:20-31 Ps 147:1-11 1 Cor 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

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.

Prayer is available for you on Tuesday mornings with John & Dawn.
(see back page for times)

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

VICAR'S VOICE

Greetings to you who are reading this. I'd like to begin by saying thank you to all for such a warm welcome, and your showing of concern for Tilly and myself, ensuring that we have all we need. We are so very grateful that we are feeling comfortable in our new home and community, so please be assured that we are settling in well. As I write this, there are some nerves in the house, as it's Tilly's first day at her new school, but I'm sure she will navigate all the new things and the meeting of new people well. Thank you also to those of you who have been asking after Tilly, she's been busy with many activities, camps, and fun these holidays, but is now ready to start the new year of schooling.

Last week within the services at St Peter's OG, I brought everyone's attention to the changing of one of the notice boards in the foyer. I believe the content hadn't been changed for some years, so I thought I'd try to refresh it and place some current information on there for you, as an extra way of communicating what is going on around the parish. The first things I've advertised are the pancake night, Shrove Tuesday, 13th February, as well as details of our Lenten Study which will begin in a couple of weeks. There will be three opportunities across the week for you to engage with our Lenten Study, so please be sure to check it out, and get involved, as we grow together, drawing closer to God in order to fulfil His purposes as the Body of Christ in this town.

As I do not get much time on a Sunday to stop and chat with you, please feel free to contact me throughout the week and know that I attend the Tuesday morning and Saturday morning prayer times at St Peter's. I'd be happy if you'd like a chat or have some personal prayer with me at these times.

Have a blessed week, and know the Lord God is with you as you go.

Vicar Liz

DAILY READINGS BEGINNING MONDAY February 5th

MON	Pss.82; 84	Jeremiah 16. 1-21	Philippians 3. 1 -16
TUES	Ps. 86	Jeremiah 17. 1 -18	Philippians 3. 17 – 4. 7
WED	Ps. 90	Jeremiah 17. 19 -18. 12	Philippians 4. 8 - 23
THURS	Ps. 89. 1 -18	Jeremiah 18. 12 -23	1 Timothy 1. 1- 11
FRI	Ps. 89. 39 -53	Jeremiah 19. 1 -20. 6	1 Timothy 1. 12 - 20
SAT	Pss. 92;93	Jeremiah 20. 7 - 18	1 Timothy 2

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Feb. 11th

Kings 2:1-12 Ps 50:1-6 2 Cor 4:3-12 Mark 9:2-9

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

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3. Enabling Christian writing that helps people discover and follow Jesus in a way that is authentic and culturally meaningful. So funds, expertise and encouragement are directed to publishers working where indigenous Christian writing is needed most.

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Don't forget to put your name down for preferred times for our Lenten study coming up...knowing that Ash Wednesday is on Feb. 14th!

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

Feb 13	Shrove Tuesday Pancake night 6.30pm 13th Feb. at St. Peter's
FEB 13	Barwon Heads Combined Churches meeting Tues Feb 13 th 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

Kathy Donaghey and family would like to thank the parish family and friends for the care, support, prayers and help received after John's passing in November. God bless all of you !

I would like to thank you all for the flowers ,the special card and gift - and the gold medal- after I deserted the piano stool last Sunday, and also for your personal words- written and spoken. It will be strange for me, but I can get used to sitting in the pew- quite quickly, I think. Isobel D.

Holding
On to God's
Promises
Every day.

*Somewhere out there,
people are watching you
and wanting what you have.
You Have God, so make them want God
too.*

Isaiah 40. 31

' But those who wait upon God get fresh strength. They spread their wings and soar like eagles, they walk and don't lag behind.' Message Bible