

# '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. 11th 2024  
Transfiguration

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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

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

## Services for Ash Wednesday 14th Feb:

10am and 7.30pm St Peter's,  
5pm All Saints' (Feel free to bring your last year's palm cross  
to be turned into ashes at this service)

During Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be on display at All Saints', and the usual Meditation Space will be set up. Feel free to visit any day between 9 and 5.

## VICAR'S VOICE

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ,

This my third week has been overwhelming (a good overwhelm) as I see God shifting atmospheres in individuals and releasing blockages in others which have been holding lives back. God has more for us all, and for that reason I will be doing my utmost to position myself, that I may assist the Lord in helping people to recognise and to work through what the Lord may be doing in your life. My heart is for the Lord, He's brought me into this parish, that I may have a heart for His people, and that is exactly where I find myself. I know it will take some time for me to engage and make space with you all, however, know it is in my plans to do so.

This week is 'Transfiguration Sunday', and we'll be looking at what it means to not stay in the one place, even though it is good. This will then lead us into our Lenten season, as we begin by sharing together a night of pancakes, for Shove Tuesday (hope to see you there). I encourage you to then participate in one of our Ash Wednesday services, as we ponder what 'Authentic Christian Living' looks like. This is a great season for us all to 'stocktake our lives', especially recognising where God is currently placed in our lives, what He might be asking of us, or simply allowing God to speak a message of His love for us (which, in itself, transforms lives).

The journey is well on the way, I pray, that no matter what is taking place in your lives at this time, whether it be grief, loss, feeling stuck, health struggles or celebrating the joys of blessings, whatever it is, may our eyes be fixed on Jesus, the giver of life and the one who desires to be welcomed and to be a part of every portion of our lives.

Shalom, Vicar Liz . PS I'm available for you!

We will be running 2 sessions of the Lenten Study each week at St. Peter's;  
Tuesdays 2pm - 4.30pm (beginning 20th February)  
Sundays 5.30pm - 8pm (beginning 25th February)  
and 1 session at All Saints' Thursdays 2pm (beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> February)

### DAILY READINGS BEGINNING MONDAY February 12<sup>th</sup>

MON	Pss.99;100	Jeremiah 22. 1-19	Jude 1 -16
TUES	Pss. 101;102. 1-11	Jeremiah 22. 20 – 23. 8	Jude 17- 25
WED	Ps. 38. 1-4, 18-21	Daniel 9. 3-6, 15 -19	Matthew 6. 7 -15
THURS	Ps. 104. 1-25 or P 39	Jeremiah 23. 9 - 22	Hebrews 1. 1-12
FRI	Ps. 105.1-22 or P 69	Jeremiah 23. 23 -40	Hebrews 1. 13 – 2.9
SAT	Ps.106. 1-24 or P 88	Jeremiah 24	Hebrews 2. 10 -18

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>  
Genesis 9. 8-17 Ps. 25. 1-10 1 Peter 3. 18 – 22 Mark 1. 9 -15

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,  
Beth Ward and Jenny Wood.*

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

#### MISSION NEWS

**The Anglican Board of Mission and Anglicans in Development** have launched their Lent, Good Friday and Easter Appeal.

The funds will:

- help provide nutrition and support for disadvantaged women and children in some of the most vulnerable parts of the world, particularly Gaza, Sri Lanka and Kenya.
- support emerging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leadership as they seek to share the Gospel in their communities. Funds will empower the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council (NATSIAC) to direct funding which best represent the aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans.

Donations can be made by:

- using the envelopes available in each church to put cash into the offertory, which then parish will then send to ABM OR mail your envelope to the address on the back.
- Donating online at [www.abmission.org/Easter2024](http://www.abmission.org/Easter2024)

To find out more about this appeal, scan the QR code on the envelope or put AMB Appeals into your search engine.

Love is not February 14.

LOVE IS JOHN 3:16

PRAY FOR- All the children who are unloved . Geelong is full of them. You would be surprised at the number of children , teenagers and young adults who have ‘had enough’ and take their own lives .

Pray for them to be supported and loved – and, is there more WE can do.....?

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

Feb 13	PARISH Shrove Tuesday Pancake night 6.30pm 13th Feb. at St. Peter's. Please bring a plate for the first course - hot or cold. Pancakes will be provided for sweets. All welcome.
FEB 13	Barwon Heads Combined Churches meeting Tues Feb 13 <sup>th</sup> 4pm at UCA.
FEB 15	COFFEE MORNING --10.30am @ BTs on Thursday 15th February. All ladies welcome.
Feb 20, 22 & 25	Starting Lenten Studies.

## 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

The office will be reprinting the Parish Directory. Please check the copy on display and either tick or correct your entry. Thank you.



**WARNING:  
I MAY START  
TALKING ABOUT  
JESUS  
AT ANY TIME**



At my age, I'm good at multitasking.

I can listen, ignore and forget all at once.

*Pew-sheet deadline 9.30 p.m. on Wednesday*

*Email ,(ring) or message – or write it down and give it to me  
Isobel Dean*

