

14 JUNE 2015

TODAY'S SERVICES

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM— FAMILY EUCHARIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

Incorporating ministries with Eastern
Hills Parish

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY	17	9.30am	Knitting Circle—Maheno Room
THURSDAY	18	9.30am	Mah-jong
FRIDAY	19	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY PATRONAL FESTIVAL	21	8.30am	Sung Eucharist

Quiet Before the Service

Please be sensitive to the fact that when you are sitting in the pews prior to the service and whilst other people are receiving communion, those around you may well wish for quietness.

Thank You

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THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. *2 Corinthians 5.19*

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- TIS: 275, 745, 115, 609

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Almighty God, without you we are unable to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

1ST READING: 1 SAMUEL 15. 34-16.13

JUNE PARKER JANINE HARTSHORN

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord." Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.'

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FIRST READING *(continued)*

But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.' Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

PSALM 20: (said alternately between reader and congregation)

1. The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protect you!
- 2. May he send you help from the sanctuary, and give you support from Zion.**
3. May he remember all your offerings, and regard with favour your burnt sacrifices.
- 4. May he grant you your heart's desire, and fulfil all your plans.**
5. May we shout for joy over your victory, and in the name of our God set up our banners. May the Lord fulfil all your petitions.
- 6. Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with mighty victories by his right hand.**
7. Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses, but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.
- 8. They will collapse and fall, but we shall rise and stand upright.**
9. Give victory to the king, O Lord; answer us when we call.

2ND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 5. 6-10,14-17 VANESSA HANLON SARAH DAVIES

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

GOSPEL MARK 4.26-34

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

PRAYER BOOK UPDATE:

Thank you to all who contributed to the cost of new prayer books for the Church. We received sufficient to buy 100 new prayer books and plastic covers.

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World:

- ♦ **The Diocese of Okigwe - (Owerri, Nigeria):** +Edward Osuegbu
- ♦ **Ministry with the Torres Strait Island People of Australia:**
+Saibo Mabo, Clergy & People

In The Diocese:

- ♦ **The Parish of Toowoomba, St Bartholomew's:** Adam Lowe, Daniel Rouhead, Marian Bishop, Ron Spindler, Ken Reardon, Cleone Rolf-Reardon, Peter Dutton
- ♦ **Anglicare SQ Meilene Residential Aged Care**
- ♦ **St Margaret's Anglican Girls School:** Principal - Roslyn Curtis; Chaplain - Nicole Colledge; Chair of School Council – Alison Quinn; School Council members

Locally: All students preparing for end of term exams.

Pray for The Sick: Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Albert , Duncan Family, Coral, Marie, Sandy, Steph, Kerrie, Ollie, Adrienne, John, Helen, Roselee, Esther.

(NOTE: under the Federal Privacy Act, consent of the person you wish to pray for must be obtained. No details of need / illness can be published without consent)

The Third Sunday after Pentecost– Sunday 14 June 2015
1 Samuel 15.34 – 16.13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5.6-10, 14-17;
Mark 4.26-34



Samuel grieves for Saul, but even Samuel is surprised by who God might choose to be a King. With Jesus there are surprises too, for 'he did not speak to them except in parables', known for their surprising depths.

Pray that we might hear anew God's word in our lives, for freshness of hearing and listening.

Pray for the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

Text: The Very Rev. John Roundhill, Dean of Bendigo

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14 June 2015 News & Coming Events for your Diary

If you are new to the parish or visiting **Welcome**. Please accept this invitation to stay and join in with us for fellowship and a chat outside after the service, where tea and coffee will be served.

- ◇ Wednesday 17 June: 9.30am—Knitting Circle—Maheno Room
- ◇ Thursday 18 June: 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- ◇ Friday 19 June : 10.00am—Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 21 June: 8.30am—Sung Eucharist-Patronal Festival one service only
- ◇ Saturday 4 July: Fellowship Dinners-6.30pm—various homes
- ◇ Sunday 12 July:- 7.30am—Sung Eucharist- Bishop Alison's visit

JULY FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Would you like to get to know your fellow parishioners better? Please join one of our Fellowship Dinners on Saturday 4th July. Start time is normally 6.30 for 7.00pm

In a Fellowship Dinner one parishioner offers their home as a venue and provides coffee, and possibly port, and the three others (single or couples) bring entrée, main course or dessert, and wine, beer or soft drinks as they prefer.

We hope to arrange several different venues, each catering for 6 – 8 people. If you would like to join in please put your name and email address or phone number on the list at the back of the church, with your preference of venue (number of seats and address), entrée, main or dessert.

You will be advised on 28th June where you will be going or who your guests will be. Questions to Sarah Davies on 38430115.

Children's Church:

This morning the older children will be acting out the Old Testament reading – the story of how the young David is chosen to be King. It should raise some interesting discussions, as the children will be asked to think about what Samuel, David and David's brothers might have been thinking and feeling.

Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00 service. If you are visiting or here for the first time, your children are very welcome to join us. We meet in two groups:

Children's Church – for children in Year One to Year Seven

Little Children's Church – for children aged 3-years to Prep, younger children also welcome to attend with a parent.

What We Do

Knitting Circle:

The knitting circle meets once a month in the Maheno room, the next meeting is on Wednesday, 17th June, at 9.30am. Come along and join this happy group, for knitting, fellowship and morning tea; bring your knitting, or come and learn. Morning tea is provided.

Mah-jong Group:

The Mah-jong Group meet every Thursday morning from 9.30am—12.30pm at the back of the Church, and would love to have some more members. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us on Thursday morning at 9.30am. Tea and coffee is supplied.

Cake & Book Stall: (A major fundraiser for the Parish):

Our next cake and book stall is on Sunday 28th June . The people manning the stalls have noticed that large cakes such as fruit cakes are not easy to sell, so perhaps if you are one of the fine cooks who make these larger cakes, you may consider making smaller ones which seem to be in demand and sell much better. Thank you.

St. John's Guild:

The Guild meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 8.50am in the Maheno Room, for their meeting. This is followed by a morning of Hoy starting at 10.00am at which morning tea is served. This dedicated group of ladies also do catering for Funerals and other small functions and would welcome any new members. Next meeting Tuesday 14th July .

If you are interested, please contact the office on 3399 1508 or office@stjohnsbulimba.org or Peg Gladstone on 3217 9589.

Connect 2 Veterans Afternoon Tea:

Today- Sunday 14th June 3.00-4.30pm in the Maheno Room
Transport can be organized if needed.

Contact Emma on 0407 384 470

Not just for Veterans, any shutins or elderly you know please invite them along.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

The Birth of John the Baptist

Sunday 21 June 2015

Isaiah 49.1-6

Psalm 139.1-11

Acts 13.(16-21) 22-26

Luke 1.57-80

ROSTERED DUTIES	8.30AM
L.A.'s	ROBERT BLAND VANESSA HANLON
READERS	PAUL DAVIS GEORGINA GREENHILL
INTERCESSOR	MIKE O'KEARNEY
DOOR	LIONEL ROWE ANANDA RASHELL
TEA / COFFEE	DOROTHY CAMERON DIANNE COFFEY
OFFERTORY COUNTER	MIKE AND MARGARET O'KEARNEY
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	SANDRA/ANDREA
LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH	LAUREN/DOROTHY
FLOWERS	CAROLINE

WEEKLY GIVING : BUDGET \$1700/WEEK; LAST WEEK \$1149.90