

7 SEPTEMBER 2014

TODAY'S SERVICES

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

ST JOHN
THE BAPTIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

Incorporating ministries with Eastern
Hills Parish

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY	9	8.50am	Guild Meeting—Maheno Rm.
		10.00am	Hoy—Morning tea- \$5
WEDNESDAY	10	7.30pm	Parish Council—Coxen Room
THURSDAY	11	9.30am	Mahjong with Barbara—Church
FRIDAY	12	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	14	7.30am	Sung Eucharist
		9.00am	Family Eucharist

Quiet Before and During 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:

'Where two or three are gathered in my name,' says the Lord, "I am there among them."
Matthew 18.20

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- **TIS:** 569, 607, 511, 111

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Go before us, O Lord, and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever **Amen**

1ST READING: EXODUS 12.1-14

JUDITH HANCOCK JANINE HARTSHORN

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

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1ST READING: (Continued)

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

PSALM 149 (VERSES SAID ALTERNATELY BETWEEN THE READER & CONGREGATION)

1. Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
- 2. Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.**
3. Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.
- 4. For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.**
5. Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches.
- 6. Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands,**
7. to execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,
- 8. to bind their kings with fetters and their nobles with chains of iron,**
9. to execute on them the judgement decreed. This is glory for all his faithful ones.
Praise the Lord!

SECOND READING: ROMANS 13.1-10

GEORGINA GREENHILL TONY RIGBY

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgement. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing. Pay to all what is due to them—taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honour to whom honour is due.

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SECOND READING: (CONTINUED)

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 18. 10-20

'Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost. 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost- Sunday 7 September 2014

Exodus 12.1-14; Psalm 149; Romans 13.1-10; Matthew 18.10-20

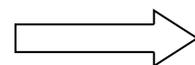
Verses 10-14

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

A very familiar parable, often selected as one to tell young children. The use of sheep evokes a warm and cuddly feeling as the shepherd looks for it. So if one of your children wanders off when you are shopping do you not worry and look for it? You cannot relax until it is found and safely back in your care. The message here is stark and easy to see. Everyone is important to God.

Verses 15-21

Whilst setting these instructions in the context of the church they are good guidelines for everyday life. It is more respectful to speak to someone privately to give them a chance to apologise or put a situation right than it is to publically announce the problem to all who can hear. We should try for reconciliation before resorting to other measures. Here common sense sets out an appropriate method for redress of wrongs. Hopefully things can be put right before a person has to walk away and treat the wrongdoer as an outsider.



Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World:

- * **The Diocese of False Bay - (Southern Africa):** +Margaret Brenda Vertue
- * **Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia:** Aboriginal Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- * **The Parish of The Lakes Anglican Church:** Daniel Berris, Jane Norman, Jon Cornish, John Simpson
- * **Anglicare SQ Alina Families Program**
- * **St Luke's Anglican School:** Principal - Martin Oates; Chaplain - Iain Furby; Chair of School Council - Ian Reynolds; members of School Council

Locally: All fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers

Pray for The Sick: Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Albert , Duncan Family, Coral, Marie, Sandy, Steph, Bob, Kerrie, Ollie, Ken, John, Ellen, Adrienne

(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)



In order for reconciliation to take place both parties must be involved. Those that have been wronged must be able to forgive and those who have wronged the other must be able to recognise that what they have done was unacceptable and seek repentance. Only through prayer and careful discernment will this be truly possible.

Question: Think of two different examples, one where you have been the guilty party and another where you think you were wronged. Were these situations ever resolved and if so how did this come about?

Pray for reconciliation in Australia, giving thanks for those organisations with a registered Reconciliation Action Plan

Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

Text: Rosemary King, St Paul's Burwood, Sydney

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7 September 2014 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.

- * Sunday 7 September : 4.00pm—Meditation with Ananda—Church
- * Tuesday 9 September—8.50am—Guild Meeting –Maheno Room
- * Tuesday 9 September –10.00am—Holy and morning tea—\$5—Maheno Room
- * Wednesday 10 September : 7.30pm—Parish Council—Coxen Room
- * Thursday 11 September: 9.30am—12 noon-Mah-jong with Barbara—Church
- * Friday 12 September : 10.00am—Eucharist
- * Saturday 13 September : 6-6.30pm—Various homes as advised
- * Sunday 14 September : 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- * Sunday 14 September : 9.00am—Family Eucharist
- * Sunday 14 September : 4.00pm—Meditation with Ananda—Church

Fellowship Dinner

Everyone who put their names down for the Fellowship Dinner next Saturday would have been advised by Sarah Davies, but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact her on 3843 0115

Children's Church

The last two lessons for this term are all about celebrating Creation. The theme for today is forests and next week's theme will be land. 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.

Knitting Circle

The knitting circle meets once a month in the Maheno room, knitting squares which are then joined and made into rugs, beanies, and crocheting tea towels. Anyone wishing to join this lovely group of ladies and do some knitting or crocheting or anyone wanting to learn to knit or crochet is very welcome to come along; the next one is on Wednesday 17th September, at 9.30am

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

A big thank you to all who contributed to our Cake and Book stalls last Sunday, at the Bulimba Festival, I'm sure Allan will let us all know how we went.

Our next Cake and book stall is on Sunday 28th September . 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 fruit cakes, you may consider making smaller ones which seem to be in demand and sell much better. *Thank you*

Hoy and Morning Tea

On the 2nd Tuesday and each month, commencing at 10am in the Maheno Room, the Guild hold a Hoy morning. Hoy is a card game, a little like bingo, which is very easy to play and there is a prize for the winners. The ladies of the Guild, provide the cards and can show you how to play. This is a lovely morning for those of the community, both men and women who don't get out as much as they used to. A lovely morning tea is also served. If you know of anyone who would like to come to these mornings, please bring them along. Next Hoy morning is Tuesday 9th September, cost is \$5.

Organ Restoration Progress Report

On 23 July, as Convenor of the Organ Fund, Judith Hancock visited Pierce Pipe Organs with thanks to Don Hann. This is where St John's Organ is being restored. We met Julie Pierce who introduced us to Derek Smart and Tomas Zitek who are undertaking the work. It was amazing to see the organ completely stripped and to gain some understanding of the complexity of this major restoration. For example, there are 329 pipes in the restored organ. Of these 246 are made from metal and 83 from wood. 221 are original pipes with 108 new pipes! The stripped organ is spread over three rooms! We thank all who have donated but further funds are still required. To date, we have raised \$135,672.71 and spent \$63,215.00 leaving a balance of \$72,457.71. **To cover all costs we need to raise a further \$31,077.29.**

**Donations can be paid into the Donation Box in the Church or by
Direct Debit to: BSB:034844 A/C: 000145737**

FURTHER INFORMATION: www.facebook.com/PrOrg125

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2014

Exodus 14.19-31

Psalm 114

Romans 14.1-14

Matthew 18.21-35

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'S	PETER JOHNSTON JACQUELINE HANLON	ROLAND SOWERBY LAURA BENTLEY
READERS	VANESSA HANLON MARGARET SALTER	LINDA MITCHELL MICHAEL SMIT
INTERCESSOR	ROSLYN THOMSON	
DOOR	GRAYDON CLARK MARGARET SALTER	BOB LEE GLENDA LEE
TEA / COFFEE	ANN WINFIELD STUART WINFIELD	
OFFERTORY COUNTER	DOROTHY CAMERON JUNE PARKER	
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	CAROLINE, SANDRA	
LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH	ANDREA, KYLIE	
FLOWERS	CAROLINE	