

9 AUGUST 2015

TODAY'S SERVICES

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM— FAMILY EUCHARIST

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THE BAPTIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

Incorporating ministries with Eastern
Hills Parish

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY	11	8.50am 10.00am	Guild Meeting—Maheno Room Hoy & morning tea -\$5 Maheno Room
THURSDAY	13	9.30am	Mah-jong
FRIDAY	14	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	16	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family 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:

Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. *Ephesians 5.1-2*

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- TIS: 658, 514, 609, 112

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech you, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

1ST READING: 2 SAMUEL 18.5-9, 14, 31-33

GEORGINA GREENHILL

JANINE HARTSHORN

The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. Joab said, 'I will not waste time like this with you.' He took three spears in his hand, and thrust them into the heart of Absalom, while he was still alive in the oak. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?'

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FIRST READING (Continued)

The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.' The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

PSALM 130 (say all together)

- 1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.**
- 2. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**
- 3. If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?**
- 4. But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**
- 5. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;**
- 6. my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**
- 7. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.**
- 8. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.**

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4.25-5.2 MARGARET O'KEARNEY JUDITH HANCOCK

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

GOSPEL: JOHN 6.35, 41-51

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

Date Claimer

Connect 2 Veterans Afternoon Tea:

Sunday 30th August 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.



Pyjamas for Foster Children

We collected over 60 pair of pyjamas for the foster children, well done to all who contributed to this cause.

Colin & Peg Gladstone will deliver them.

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World:

- ♦ **Rochester (USA) - (II, The Episcopal Church):** +Prince Singh
- ♦ **The Diocese of Canberra-Goulburn :** +Stuart Robinson;
Assistant Bishops +Trevor Edwards, +Stephen Pickard, +Matt Brain;
Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ♦ **The Parish of Everton Park:** Andrew Peters
- ♦ **Anglicare SQ Regional & Disability Services – Ipswich**
- ♦ **St Aidan’s Anglican Girls’ School:** Principal - Karen Spiller;
Chaplain – Gillian Moses; Chair of School Council - Gillian Brown;
School Council members

Locally: The Clergy conference.

Pray for The Sick: Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Albert , Duncan Family, Coral, Marie, 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)

RIP. Doreen Scott



The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday 9 August 2015
2 Samuel 18.5-9, 14, 31-33; Psalm 130-Ephesians 4.25 – 5.2; John 6.35, 41-51

Even in utter despair the Psalmist finds hope, telling us that with the Lord there is mercy, forgiveness, and ample redemption. May we realize this, knowing that we can start with a clean slate in God’s eyes, if we would only put our trust in the divine mercy.

Pray that you will be merciful whenever the opportunity arises this week. Pray that others will forgive your offences this week.

Pray for the Church of Pakistan, giving thanks for the work they do to further God’s mission in the world.

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9 August 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.

- ◇ Tuesday 11 August: 8.50am—Guild Meeting –Room
- ◇ Tuesday 11 August: 10.00am- Hoy & Morning Tea-\$5- all welcome- Maheno Rm
- ◇ Thursday 13 August: 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- ◇ Friday 14 August : 10.00am—Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 16 August: 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 16 August: 9.00am—Family Eucharist
- ◇ Date Claimer: Sunday 30 August : 3.00-4.30pm—Connect2Veterans
afternoon tea—Maheno Room

SAMARITAN'S PURSE: (OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD)

Shoe Boxes are now being sorted to send to children in underprivileged countries.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE BOXES ARE:-

6 things to light up the world of a child in need

SOMETHING TO LOVE Teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL Exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.

SOMETHING TO WEAR T-shirt, shorts, underwear, cap, beanie, sandals, thongs, etc.

SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH Tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, wind up torch, etc. (No battery operated items)*

SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE Soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, hair-clips, scrunchies, etc.(No toothpaste)*

SOMETHING SPECIAL Carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, stickers, note or photo of yourself.

If you don't wish to do up a box yourself, items as per the above list can be left in the basket at the back of the Church.

If you do up boxes, please leave them at the back of the Church for collection.

What We Do

Knitting Circle:

The knitting circle meets once a month in the Maheno room, the next meeting is on Wednesday, 19th August, 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 23rd August . 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 11th August.

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

Children's Church:

This morning the older children will be continuing to read from Ephesians. They will discuss the rules they have in the games that they play and why these rules are important. They will be encouraged to think of the reading as 'God's rules for living'.

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 3 to Year 7

Little Children's Church – for children aged 3-years to Year 2, younger children also welcome to attend with a parent.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY 16 AUGUST 2015

1 Kings 2.10-12; 3.3-14

Psalm 111

Ephesians 5.11-21

John 6.51-58

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s	ROBERT BLAND VANESSA HANLON	HOWARD GREAVER SARAH DAVIES
READERS	LINDA MITCHELL VANESSA HANLON	BRIAN ROY SARAH DAVIES
INTERCESSOR	LYNETTE McALLAN	BAPTISM
DOOR	LIONEL ROWE STUART WINFIELD	STEPHEN JONES JUDITH HANCOCK
TEA / COFFEE	DOROTHY CAMERON	BJORN & LAUREN HOLDT LYN LAMB
OFFERTORY COUNTER	MICHAEL O'KEARNEY MARGARET O'KEARNEY	SARAH DAVIES ALLAN THOMSON
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	SANDRA/CAROLINE	
LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH	LAUREN/DOROTHY	
FLOWERS	ELAINE	

WEEKLY GIVING : BUDGET \$1700/WEEK; LAST WEEK \$1135.00