

17 JUNE 2018 - TODAY'S SERVICES

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

# ST JOHN

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## ANGLICAN CHURCH

### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	20	9.30am	Knitting Circle—Maheno Room
<b>THURSDAY</b>	21	9.30am	Mah-jong—Church
<b>FRIDAY</b>	22	10.00am	Eucharist
<b>SUNDAY</b>		8.30am	Eucharist
<b>PATRONAL FESTIVAL</b>	24	10.00am	Patronal Festival Brunch—Maheno Room

***When the bell rings before a service -  
please pause in silence to say this prayer in your heart:***

Grant, O Lord, that this bell may sound the good news of  
your salvation; may its ringing summon the faithful to  
worship, and stir all who hear it to love and serve you,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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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:** 658, 168, 534, 446.

### 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.**

SUSAN ROWE JOANNE WOOD

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.' 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.'

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**FIRST READING:** *(continued)*

' 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:** *(verses 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**

ROSLYN THOMSON TEEN CHURCH

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**

Jesus 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.

### **Sunday 24th June**

Next Sunday is our Patronal Festival so there is only one service at 8.30am.

Following the service instead of the morning tea there will be a combined brunch in the Maheno Room.

Please bring a plate of finger food to share.

### **Commonwealth National Redress Scheme**

Please pray for the standing committee meeting with others to discuss the Commonwealth National Redress Scheme.

Information on the scheme is on the notice board at the back of the Church.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

### **YOU ARE INVITED TO REV'D JAMEE AND DAMIAN'S ENGAGEMENT PARTY**



Sunday 17th June in the Maheno Room from 4pm-6pm

—no need to RSVP—

snacks and drinks will be provided



## Parish Prayers

### The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

#### In The World: -

- **The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma):** †Stephen Than Myint Oo, Archbishop of Myanmar and Bishop of Yangon
- **The Diocese of the Northern Territory:** †Greg Anderson; Clergy and People

#### In The Diocese:

- **The Parish of Wishart:** Peter Judge-Mears, Thomas Milton, Christopher Boyce, Graeme Goldsworthy, David Rogers-Smith, Alexandra Hunter
- **Anglicare SQ - Children & Families Residential Gympie**
- **The Southport School:** Headmaster - Greg Wain; Chaplains - Jonathan Whereat & Debra Tedman; Chair of School Council - Fraser Perrin; members of School Council; staff and students

**Locally:** For all candidates at the Vocational Discernment Conference and the Diocesan Director of Ordinands Reverend John Milburn.

**Pray for The Sick:** Joel, Valmai, Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Steph, Kerrie, John, Roselee, Esther, Linda, Drew, Kerry, Helena, Audrey, Dawn, Kirby Family, Chris, Stephanie.

*(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 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost– Sunday 17 June 2018

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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## 17th June 2018 News & Coming Events for your Diary

- \* Wednesday 20 June: 9.30am—Knitting Circle—Maheno Room
- \* Thursday 21 June: 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- \* Friday 22 June: 10.00am—Eucharist
- \* Sunday 24 June: 8.30am—Eucharist— one service only

### AN EVENING WITH MICHAEL LEUNIG

*St Johns' Cathedral-7pm –18th July*



Join us in an immersion of art, spirituality and justice. Exploring questions like... What makes us human? What should we make of the current direction of Australian society? Also featuring the wonderful **Queensland Kodaly Choir** (including one or two pieces composed using verses by Michael Leunig), the evening will feature a talk by Michael Leunig, followed by conversation with The Very Reverend Dr Peter Catt & others, and audience Q&A. You are welcome to arrive a few minutes early to walk in the space of the magnificent St John's Anglican Cathedral, enjoy a beverage, and view the current art exhibition by Moran Art finalist, Glenn Loughery.

**MICHAEL LEUNIG** is an Australian cartoonist, writer, painter, philosopher and poet. His commentary on political, cultural and emotional life spans more than forty years and has often explored the idea of an innocent and sacred personal world. The fragile ecosystem of human nature and its relationship to the wider natural world is a related and recurrent theme. His newspaper work appears regularly in the Melbourne Age and the Sydney Morning Herald. He describes his approach as regressive, humorous, messy, mystical, primal and vaudevillian - producing work which is open to many interpretations and has been widely adapted in education, music, theatre, psychotherapy and spiritual life.

Entry to this Special Event is included in the full #AbundantJustice2018 ticket (Transport between St John's College and St John's Cathedral can be provided). Day Ticket holders and those not attending AJ18 can purchase tickets here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/an-evening-with-michael-leunig-tickets-45262603666>

## **WHAT WE DO**

### **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 20th June, at 9.30am. A lovely morning tea is served.

### **St. John's Guild:**

The next meeting of the Guild will be Tuesday 10th July in the Maheno Room, starting at 8.50am for the Guild Meeting followed at 10.00am for Hoy. A lovely morning tea is served during the playing of Hoy so if you or anyone you know would like to have a lovely morning of fun and fellowship please join these lovely ladies.

### **Mah-jong Group:**

The Mah-jong Group meets Thursday morning from 9.30am—12.30pm in the Church. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us. Tea and coffee is supplied.

### **Cake Stall: (A major fundraiser for the Parish):**

Next stall is on Sunday 22nd July. There will be no cake stall in June as the 24th June is our Patronal Festival and we are having a combined service at 8.30am followed by a fellowship brunch in the Maheno Room.

### **Little Children's Church:**

Little Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00am service. We have stories and activities for children aged 3-years to Year 2, and younger children are also very welcome to attend with a parent. If you are visiting or here for the first time, your children are very welcome to join us.

### **Teen Church:**

Teen Church is an exciting youth programme offered during School term time at St John's. Each term the teens are invited to participate in 3 sessions exploring the Bible and their faith as well as 'In Service' services at the 9am Family service. They engage in ministry tasks and liturgical roles in the 'In Service' services which encourage their growth as Anglicans serving the community. Occasional group outings and fundraising events also form part of the Teen Church programme.

## NEXT WEEKS READINGS

### The Birth of John the Baptist Sunday 24 June 2018

Isaiah 49.1-6;  
Psalm 139.1-11  
Acts 13.(16-21) 22-26;  
Luke 1.57-80

<b>ROSTERED DUTIES</b>	<b>8.30AM</b>
<b>L.A.'s</b>	Allan Thomson Roslyn Thomson
<b>READERS</b>	Therese Rein June Parker
<b>DOOR</b>	Lionel Rowe Susan Rowe
<b>PATRONAL BRUNCH</b>	Patronal Brunch in Maheno Room Everyone bring a small plate of food to share
<b>OFFERTORY COUNTERS</b>	

<b>LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>	Lauren & Laura
<b>FLOWERS</b>	Dianne

**Weekly Giving : Budget \$1975/Week;**

**Last Week \$ 1398.75**

**Yearly shortfall \$ 16409.60**