

2 JULY 2017 TODAY'S SERVICE

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY	4	8.30am	Morning Prayer
WEDNESDAY	5	8.30am	Morning Prayer
THURSDAY	6	8.30am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Mah-jong—Church
FRIDAY	7	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	9	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

***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:

The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 6.23*

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- **TIS:** 626, 427, 131, 431.

9.00am Eucharist:-**As One Voice Book 1:** 16, 89, 90, 148.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

O God, your Son has taught us that those who give a cup of water in his name will not lose their reward: open our hearts to the needs of your children, and in all things make us obedient to your will, so that in faith we may receive your gracious gift, eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

1ST READING: GENESIS 22.1-14

June Parker Paul Davis

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him,

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1ST READING: *(Continued:)*

Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'

PSALM 13. (verses said alternately between the reader and congregation)

1. How long, O Lord? Will you forget me for ever? How long will you hide your face from me?
- 2. How long must I bear pain in my soul, and have sorrow in my heart all day long?
How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?**
3. Consider and answer me, O Lord my God! Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,
- 4. and my enemy will say, 'I have prevailed'; my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.**
5. But I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.
- 6. I will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me.**

SECOND READING: : ROMANS 6.12-23

Roslyn Thomson Vera Davis

Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 10.40-42

Jesus said, 'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- **The Diocese of Ogori-Magongo - (Lokoja, Nigeria):** †Festus Davies
- **The Diocese of Ohaji / Egbema - (Owerri, Nigeria):** †Chidi Collins Oparaojiaku
- **The Diocese of Adelaide:** †Geoff Smith, †Timothy Harris, †Chris McLeod; Clergy & People

In The Diocese:

- **The Parish of Goondiwindi:** Kay Hart
- **Anglicare SQ TRACC Brisbane Foster & Kinship Care**
- **Anglican Church Grammar School:** Headmaster - Alan Campbell; Chaplains - Bryan Gadd & Ian Mundy; Chair of School Council - Daniel O'Connor and School Council

Locally: For all in our nursing homes, staff and residents.

Pray for The Sick: Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Steph, Kerrie, Ollie, John, Roselee, Esther, Pam D., Linda, Drew, Mark, Kerry, Helena, Audrey, Dawn, Ethan, 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 2 July 2017

Genesis 22.1-14; Psalm 13; Romans 6.12-23; Matthew 10.40-42.

In a world deeply permeated by disorder and sin, we are challenged by God's mission to his Church to transform the unjust structures of society, and to respond to human need by loving service. We so easily can be caught in our own virtuousness that we neglect why we have received this call!

The social teaching of the Church is one of grace; the very grace that flows from the side of God who suffers with us, and for us. The Good News of Jesus is that by his creative and redemptive works we are in mystical communion with one another – intrinsically and inextricably bound. Our vocation is to serve others, in whom God's image has been lovingly created, sustained and redeemed.

Pray that you will find opportunities to share with others in your community the message of God's grace.

Give thanks for the Aboriginal peoples of Australia and for their special place in our country.

Text: Jesse Poole

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2 July 2017 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.
- ◇ Thursday 6 July: 9.30am—Mah-jong –Church
- ◇ Friday 7 July: 10.00am—Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 9 July: 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 9 July: 9.00am—Family Eucharist

WHAT WE DO

Knitting Circle:

The knitting circle meets once a month, the next meeting is on Wednesday 19th July at 9.30 am in the Maheno Room.

St. John's Guild:

The next meeting of the Guild will be next Tuesday 11th 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 at the back of the Church. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us . Tea and coffee is supplied.

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

Our next Cake and book stall is on Sunday 23rd July. 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.

Teen Church:

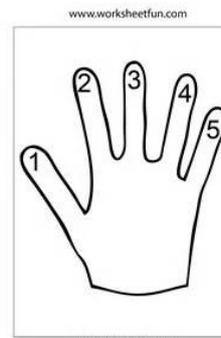
Teen Church is an exciting new youth programme offered during School term time at St John's. Each term the teens are invited to participate in 3 sessions exploring the Bible and their faith as well as 'In Service' services at the 9am Family service. They engage in ministry tasks and liturgical roles 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.

WHAT WE DO

Little Children's Church:

There is no Little Children's Church today due to the school holidays and will return on Sunday 16 July.

Little Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00 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.



Teach us to pray... The 5-Finger Prayer

1. Your thumb is nearest you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C.S. Lewis once said, a 'sweet duty'.
2. The next finger is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, nurses and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.
3. The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the government, leaders in business and industry, and administrators. These people shape our nations and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.
4. The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger; as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.
5. And lastly comes our little finger; the smallest finger of all which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. Your little finger should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.

Next Weeks Readings

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 9 July 2017

Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-67;

Psalm 45.10-17;

Romans 7.14-25;

Matthew 11.15-19, [20-24], 25-30.

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s	Peter Johnston Margaret Salter	Roland Sowerby Sarah Davies
READERS	Linda Mitchell Allan Thomson	Brian Roy Judith Hancock
DOOR	Lionel Rowe Margaret Salter	Bob and Glenda Lee
TEA / COFFEE	Roslyn Thomson Allan Thomson	Joanne Wood Wendy Bastow
OFFERTORY COUNTER	Dorothy Cameron June Parker	
TEEN CHURCH	School Holidays	
LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH	School Holidays	
FLOWERS	Elaine	

Weekly Giving : Budget \$1775/Week;

Last Week \$1129.80

Yearly giving is \$9870.75 under budget