

2022 National Church Life Survey

Starting Sunday 12th June

Dr Stephen Harrison from the Diocese's Parishes and Other Mission Agencies writes...

"The PMC's vision is healthy parishes and effective leaders. As part of its strategic plan,

the PMC will be asking every parish to complete an NCLS Church Life Survey with their parishioners once every three years. The NCLS survey explores Australian spirituality, church health, effective and resilient leadership, and the connections between church and community. Church members can complete the survey on paper or online."

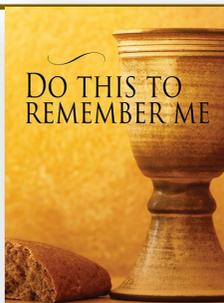
We will have more explanation how we do this next week.

For more information check out <http://www.ncls.org.au/>

Reception to Communion

This week we have the great joy of celebrating the first reception of communion with **Alexander and Lewis Steenstra**. Grandparents Di and Ray Coffey and Mum Renee are so chuffed the boys are taking this wonderful step to enrich their faithful participation in our community.

Congratulations and deep prayers all round!



Baptism Information Sessions: I'd like to start a regular Baptism Inquiry Session for families every three months or so. This would be a great opportunity for folk who wish to connect with families and continue our ministry of welcome and building relationships. Research shows that new attenders are more likely to return if they meet and chat with a range of warm friendly folk. Could this be a ministry for you?

[Chat to Fr Andrew for how you might assist.](#)



Children's Church

We gather for Children's Church every Sunday at 9am during term time.

This week in Church we will tell the amazing story of Pentecost. There will

be wind and flames and doves and all sorts of wonderful images of the power of the Spirit.

If you'd like a yarn about kids and church, contact

Kate Down on kate.down@mail.com or call 0414689669



5th June 2022

PENTECOST SUNDAY

7.30AM—EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

ST JOHN
THE BAPTIST

EST. 1888
ANGLICAN CHURCH
IN THE HEART OF BULIMBA

When We Breathe Together by Jan Richardson

A Blessing for Pentecost Day

This is the blessing
we cannot speak
by ourselves.

This is the blessing
we cannot summon
by our own devices,
cannot shape
to our purpose,
cannot bend
to our will.

This is the blessing
that comes
when we leave behind
our aloneness
when we gather
together
when we turn
toward one another.

This is the blessing
that blazes among us
when we speak
the words
strange to our ears
when we finally listen
into the chaos
when we breathe together
at last.

[Pentecost: When We Breathe Together](#) « [The Painted Prayerbook](#)



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OUR SERVICE

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY.

God's love has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.
Romans 5.5

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

O God, who in smoke and fire upon Mount Sinai gave the law to Moses, and who revealed the new covenant in the fire of the Spirit: grant, we pray, that, kindled by that same Spirit which you poured forth upon your apostles, we may fulfil with joy your commandment of love. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: GENESIS 11.1-9 Linda Brook Carmel Colbert

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.' And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.' The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the Lord said, 'Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech.' So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

PSALM 104.26-36

26. Lord, how various are your works:
in wisdom you have made them all, and the earth is full of your creatures.
27. ***There is the wide, immeasurable sea:
there move living things without number, great and small;***
28. There go the ships, to and fro:
and there is that Leviathan whom you formed to sport in the deep.
29. ***These all look to you: to give them their food in due season.***
30. When you give it to them, they gather it:
when you open your hand they are satisfied with good things.
31. ***When you hide your face, they are troubled:
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.***
32. When you send forth your spirit they are created:
and you renew the face of the earth.
33. ***May the glory of the Lord endure for ever:
may the Lord rejoice in his works.***

THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY	7th	8.45am 10.00am 7.30pm	Guild Meeting Morning tea followed by Hoy Parish Council
FRIDAY	10th	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	12th	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

ROSTERED DUTIES 12/6	7.30 AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s	Vanessa & Robert	Roland
READER	Vanessa	Rachel
INTERCESSOR	Robert	Charmaine
MORNING TEA		Andrea
WELCOMERS	Allan & Felicity	Lisa
FLOWERS	Kerry	
CHURCH CLEANING	Wendy & Sarah	

COVID: MASKS ARE OPTIONAL. PLEASE OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING, HAND SANITISING AND MINIMISE ANY PERSONAL CONTACT. THE COMMON CUP IS NOW AVAILABLE

Priest-in-Charge

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Parish Prayers

34. If he look upon the earth, it shall tremble:
if he but touch the mountains, they shall smoke.

35. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live:

I will praise my God while I have any being.

36. May my meditation be pleasing to him:
for my joy shall be in the Lord.

SECOND READING: ACTS 2.1-21

Linda Brook Carmel Colbert

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Gospel: John 14.8-17 **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

For the Gospel of the Lord, praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ◇ The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
- ◇ The Diocese of Ballarat: †Garry Weatherill; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ◇ The Parish of Noosa: Chris Johnson, Lynda Johnson, Chris Ivey, Brad Henley
- ◇ NQ Lotus Glen Correctional Centre: Jim Tsang & William Fairbrother
- ◇ Coomera Anglican College, staff, students and family

COME
HOLY SPIRIT
FILL THE HEARTS
OF YOUR FAITHFUL
AND KINDLE IN THEM
THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE.
SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT
AND THEY SHALL BE CREATED
AND YOU SHALL RENEW
THE FACE OF THE
EARTH.

O. God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord. AMEN.

Locally: We pray for...

- ◇ Those who share their creative gifts with flowers and decorations. May our Visual Arts Ministry continue to inspire us and help highlight the diverse expressions of God's love and actions.
- ◇ Local Hospital Ministry; Rev'd Canon Cheryl Selvage, Joanne McDiarmid and Anglican chaplains and pastoral visitors at the Mater, Princess Alexandra and Greenslopes hospitals.
- ◇ New and existing volunteers for the Open Door Hospitality Ministry and Pastoral care and Worship Team at Regis Aged Care. May the Spirit fan the flames of hospitality, welcome and love in all we do in service of your people.

Pray for those in need: Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Gloria, Kerry, Joseph, Douglas, Nancy, Peter, Graham and Pat, Helena, Don, Ros, Sue R, Daniel, Michael, Ruth, Williamson Family.

In Memory

To all the faithful departed

May they rest in peace

How can generations worship together?

The 9am service is called the “Family Eucharist” and I’m still finding out what that means. Over the next few weeks I’d like to share with you what experts in family ministry are saying. Check out the last two Pew Sheets if you missed them. I wonder what you think about these thoughts from family minister **Christina Embree?**

So what does intergenerational worship mean in your setting? Good question.

There are many ways churches include children in the larger congregational gathering. Some choose to have a celebration service or combined service once a month or once a quarter. Others have specific service times and invite children to join them in worship for part or all of the service. Still, others have found that intergenerational small groups or midweek services are the best way to grow relationships in the congregation.

To be clear, though, intergenerational worship isn’t simply having children come in to perform or hosting a service that’s fundamentally geared toward families or children. It’s coming together as a church family to worship and learn as one.

Intergenerational worship will look different in your church and in the church down the street. Don’t feel compelled to imitate something you’ve seen, but don’t be afraid to do so either, especially if it seems like a good fit for your church. The key is to find ways to bring generations together in a way that complements your total church and its mission.



Perspectives: Three Generations

“What stands out to me the most is that having all the ages together now is ‘normal.’ It’s not a special treat or program that gets us together. It’s just the church gathering to worship God. One service really stands out to me. I shared about salvation to kids and adults—and watched them learn together and from each other.”

—Aaron Reynolds, 24, parent of one

“Having seen this from two points of view, I know sometimes kids need to learn in their own way. But I like that we get to do both [intergenerational worship and separate environments]—coming to worship before the Lord together, receive the Word together, and talk about it together. The kids are very mature about how they approach worship now. Their discernment about what true worship is—not just singing, but with their hearts—has grown.”

—Fiona Richardson, 42, parent of two

“I love being able to see and hear others’ perspectives and showing the younger generation that you don’t have to be perfect. There was a time where kids never interacted with the older generations, and it broke my heart. Now kids are going up to people older than them and knowing they’re loved by the whole church, not just their own family.”

—Barbara Robertson, 79, grandmother of many

The full article can be found [All You Need to Know About Intergenerational Worship \(childrensministry.com\)](http://All You Need to Know About Intergenerational Worship (childrensministry.com))

What do you think? I’d love to have a chat about these things.

Andrew

{ **get** involved }
Lay Ministry Opportunities be the church



Open Door Hospitality Ministry

We are about to restart the wonderful ministry of volunteers opening the church for public visits. This is a significant outreach to the Bulimba Community and we encourage as many people as possible to give some time... even once a month for a few hours is great... weekends too.. There is a sign up sheet for volunteers... former and new... at the back of the church or you can ring Sarah at the office for more information.



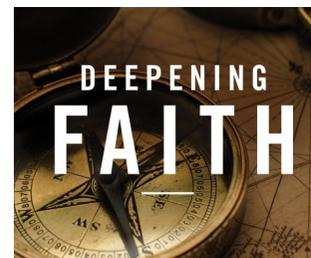
Regis Aged Care Centre Monthly Service

Third Sunday of the month, starting in June. We need to grow our team of volunteers to participate in this outreach ministry to our vulnerable older folk.

Contact Fr Andrew or the office for more info.

Goodies for Goodna

We are collecting personal care items **EVERY WEEK**. We’d love dropping a bar of soap or a tube of toothpaste in the basket to become a habit every Sunday. **Would you consider offering some time to work in the Goodna Welfare Centre? They could open more days if they had more volunteers.**



Adult Confirmation, Baptism and Reception into the Anglican Church.

Calling for anyone interested in finding out more about adult connection to our church. Bishop John will be with us on Sunday 9th October. Drop Fr Andrew an email and we will talk.