

Notices

BCA Boxes – please return them to the church office for counting.

Working bee. There is a list of jobs on the notice board which need to be completed. Please put your name beside a task. Yes, just as winter gets going, we need to have one. It will be on Saturday 3rd June.

In response to the damage following Cyclone Debbie in Qld, the Anglican Relief & Development Fund has launched an appeal to assist victims of the cyclone. ARDFA has already sent funds to the dioceses of North Queensland (+Bill Ray), Rockhampton (+David Robinson) and Grafton (+Sarah Macneil). Funds raised from the appeal will also be sent to Emergency Chaplains serving in disaster areas. The Parish Council are sending \$300 to assist the Anglican churches. If you wish to add a donation of your own, please pass on to Eileen Comber (treasurer).

Prayer requests –Beth Gibbs.

Please note the change of address for Max and Alix Atkins and Muriel Fielding on a separate piece of paper.

Prayers of the people

- Peta Foote has returned home.
- Des Nelson has joined Joy at Adventist Care, Central Road, Nunawading. Seventh Day Adventist hostel, Centre Road. Please us the gate 1, which is closest to Springvale Road, to find the aged care centre.
- Pat Eagle has returned home as well.
- For Des Andrews who has a leg ulcer which is persistently refusing to respond to treatment.
- For Peter Phyland and Trish as Peter receives on going care for his cancer.
- Pray for Des Melder for renewed strength.

Please pray for the work of Michael, Melanie & Aaron Viljoen – Wycliffe Bible Translators. And also for the ministry of Rev. Anne & Noel Nixon – BCA, Qld.

Welcome to St Edward's

What was it like as a Christian living in the era when Peter was writing to his flock in what we call Turkey today? They spoke the same language, ate the same food, perhaps enjoyed the same music as their neighbours – but they no longer fitted it. They are described by Peter as being like 'foreigners and exiles' (1 Peter 2:11). It would be like an Australian going to live in California, USA. We speak English – so do they; we eat their fast food, we watch their movies and we enjoy their music. They have democracy - and so do we (but its different too). But Australians find it difficult to fit in due to the unseen cultural differences between the two countries. We would feel like an exile. We would know as Australians (like Peter's Christians), that we belong somewhere else and long for our home 'down under'. This is for the modern Christian, their experience too. We know we have left 'home'; we share many cultural similarities with our neighbours, but we have a longing for 'home' with God himself. Lodged in our hearts is a deep awareness that we are exiles, different from those around us. An unfulfilled longing nags us to return, not to our original home, but a new one that God has called us to. Meanwhile, we are called to live lives which practically express our faith in God; love for one another and hope in what will be given to us in the future by God.

St Edward's Anglican Church

5th Sunday of Easter
14th May 2017

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Verse of the day

“Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, being dead to sin, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.”

(1 Peter 2:24)

Prayer of the day

**Everliving God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life:
give us grace to love one another,
to follow in the way of his commandments,
and to share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

8 AM. Holy Communion, 1st Order, APBA, p.101)

Readings

New Testament	1 Peter 2:11-25	(p. 1218)
Psalm	31:1-5, 17-18	(APBA, p. 250)
Gospel	John 14	(p. 1076)

Hymns

347 (Tune: 120) “We sing the praise of him who died”
581 (Tune: 603) “Happy the home that welcomes you”
555 (Tune: 234) “Put all your trust in God”

10 AM (Holy Communion, 2nd Order, APBA, p.119)

Gathering in God’s name

Verse of the Day

Hymn: 517 “Hallelujah sing to Jesus”

Prayer of Preparation

(APBA, p, 119)

Prayer of the Day

Ministry of the Word

New Testament	1 Peter 2:11-25	(p. 1218)
Psalm	31:1-5, 17-18	(APBA, p. 250)
Gospel	John 14	(p. 1076)
Sermon		
The Apostles Creed		(APBA, p. 171)

Hymn: 675 “Lord the light of your love”

Prayers of the people & the Lord’s Prayer

(p. 124)

Confession and Absolution

Prayer of Approach	(p. 125)
Confession	(p. 126)
Absolution and Greeting of peace	(p. 127)

Hymn: 232 “O the deep, deep love of Jesus”

Holy Communion – Easter 1st Preface (pp. 154, 128-129; 141.)

Prayer after communion: p. 155 (1st prayer).

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Hymn: 215 “You servants of God”

Sending out of God’s people.