

Notices

Working bee: Saturday 3rd June. There is a list of jobs on the notice board which needs to be completed. Please put your name beside a task. Some specialised tools and materials will be available as needed, otherwise please bring your own along with gloves, protective glasses and clothing etc.

Avoiding trips and falls: Alan Gibbs is providing an information session with a experienced physical trainer on how some regular exercises can help prevent falls and trips. Time and date: 3:30 pm, Monday 5th June. Please speak to Alan to register your interest.

Annual Dinner 8th July. Request: Beth would like empty Australian wine bottles with undamaged labels please. The theme of this year's dinner is Outback Australia. Don't forget your own diary entry !!!!

Prayer requests –Beth Gibbs.

Prayers of the people

- For Peter and Trish Phyland Peter as has moved into palliative care.
- Peta Foote has returned home.
- Alix and Max Atkins as they adjust to living in supported accommodation.
- Des Nelson has joined Joy at Adventist Care, Central Road, Nunawading. Seventh Day Adventist hostel, Centre Road. Please use gate 1, which is closest to Springvale Road, into 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.
- 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.

Pray that many more children will become involved with the SRI program in their local schools as interest in it continues to develop.

Welcome to St Edward's

Is Christianity just about keeping 'the golden rule' and keeping the church doors open? Sometimes ministers are guilty of giving this impression due to their anxiety about the viability of their parish. Do we all need to have a personal faith experience in Christ or it only for those who have done really bad things in the past? To the contrary, Jesus calls us to repent, believe and be baptised and then follow him. Is my experience of God, or the Holy Spirit or Jesus what matters more than how I treat others in the church? In other words, do the values of Christianity matter less than my personal grasp of what it is to be a Christian?

In our reading this morning from 1 Peter 3:8-12, the believers in Christ are called to express their faith in their behaviour and treatment of each other. In case they find his command to 'love one another' (1 Pet 3:8), too vague, he spells it out: be compassionate, humble, do not repay insult with insult and so on. The relationship between their faith and their behaviour is welded together. The reason he highlights this is threefold: God's eye is on us and is against those who do evil (1 Pet 3:12); and our prayers will also be hindered if we ignore this teaching and fail to recognise our relationship with our brother and sister in Christ.

St Edward's Anglican Church

6th Sunday of Easter
21st May 2017

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Verse of the day

‘Those who love me will keep my word,’ Jesus promises, ‘and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.’

(John 14:23)

Prayer of the day

O God,
you have prepared for those who love you
joys beyond our understanding;
pour into our hearts such love for you,
that, loving you above all else,
we may obtain your promises
that exceed all we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive 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 3:8-22	(p. 1219)
Psalm	66:7-19	(APBA, p. 286)
Gospel	John 14:15-21	(p. 1082)

Hymns

641 “This is my will” (Tune: 342)
516 “Here gracious Lord”
223 “How sweet the name of Jesus sounds”

10 AM Prayer, Praise and Proclamation (APBA, p. 35)

Praise and Thanksgiving to God

Welcome, Verse of the Day and verses of scripture (Sitting)

Thanksgiving prayer (OHP) (APBA, 36)

Song: 376 “I know that my redeemer lives”

Ministry of the Word

New Testament	1 Peter 3:8-22	(p. 1219)
Psalm	66:7-19	(APBA, p. 286)
Affirmation of faith		(APBA, p. 37)
The Sermon		

Song: 583 “Take up your cross”

Confession of sin

Confession and Absolution (OHP)	(APBA p. 38)
Declaration of God’s forgiveness	(APBA p. 39)
Assurance of God’s forgiveness	(APBA, p. 39)

Ministry of prayer + Lord’s Prayer (APBA p. 40)

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Sending out of God’s people (OHP) (APBA p. 40)

Song: 580 “Lead us, heavenly Father lead us”

Benediction (APBA, p. 40)