

## Notices

**There are new rosters available for collection.**

**The Friendship (Caritas) group** meets this Tuesday 7th August 1.30pm at the church. Please bring along an item that is 'special' to you. (photograph, poem, book, jewellery etc.)

**Reminder: the Parish Council** are meeting this Thursday night (9<sup>th</sup> August).

**Corrections to the parish telephone directory:**

**The Nettleship's** phone number is 9893 3535 (not 9893 3525).

**Katrina Foulds'** number is 9078 2082 (not 9878 2082).

**Prayer requests** –Please let Beth Gibbs or Liz Helmond know.

## Prayers of the people

- Joy Nelson has returned home from hospital last Sunday.
- Joy Mitchelmore who has had surgery on her wrist (carpel tunnel correction).
- Liz Helmond who is recovering from surgery to repair her broken wrist.
- Katrina's sister who has returned home but needs support and for Katrina who is recovering from a sore back.
- Sylvia Clark who has torn ligaments in her shoulder.
- Beryl Pakes recovering from a broken foot.
- For those who are struggling with infirmity: for Des Andrews and also Dorothy Miller who is in respite care in Stawell. Frank Dawe is at home now.
- For Peter, the brother of Liz, who has had surgery for kidney stones and is now recovering.
- For Peta Foote following the loss of her daughter Lorna.

**Please pray for the work of** Michael, Melanie & Aaron Viljoen – Wycliffe Bible Translators in Cameroon.

## Welcome to St Edward's

How do you tell the king that he is guilty of adultery, murder, the theft of another man's wife and has sinned against the LORD – without losing your life? This is the dilemma which Nathan the prophet faced when sent by the LORD to confront king David. In contrast to Nathan, when John the Baptist told king Herod something similar (Herod had taken his brother's wife as his own), he lost his head (Mark 6:17-29).

Nathan the prophet, took a bold, courageous, but more tactful approach. He told king David a story, or more accurately, a parable. Everyone likes a story, especially kings. You might remember it. Rich man, lots of flocks and sheep is contrasted with a poor man who owns just one little ewe lamb. It is the family pet. The rich man steals poor man's sheep to feed a dinner guest he is entertaining. Hearing the story, David is outraged at the theft of the poor man's sheep. David can see the injustice and angrily calls for the legal restitution of what was stolen and that it is to be fourfold (Ex 22:1). Additionally, the rich man's punishment is to be death. But Nathan now has David's attention. With Nathan's charge: 'You are the man', David is able to see himself as the very man of the parable who has acted unjustly. The parable has created the moment of recognition for David as he has himself rendered judgement on the injustice of privileged 'taking' what rightfully belongs to another.

Parables like Nathan's, and like Jesus', interrogate us and help us to see ourselves as God sees us. It is why Jesus warns us about being quick to judge others (Matt 7:1-5; John 8:7).

## St Edward's Anglican Church

**5<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Pentecost**

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## Service times

8 am & 10 am.

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## Verse of the Day

Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

(John 6:35 )

## Prayer of the Day

**Living God,  
you sent the Son of God, our Jesus Christ, to feed the hungry  
with the bread of life and word of his kingdom:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us with your true and living bread,  
Jesus Christ our Lord;  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Ministry of the Word

Old Testament	2 Samuel 11:26 – 12:25	(p. 314)
Psalm	14	(APBA, 233)
Gospel	John 6:24-35	(p. 1070)

## Hymns

26 Cov't "I love the name of Jesus"  
OHP "Jesus the very thought of thee"  
595 "O Jesus I have promised"

## Gathering in God's name

Verse of the Day

**Hymn 143 "Immortal, invisible God only wise"**

**Prayer of Preparation**

(APBA, p. 119)

**Prayer of the Day**

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The Nicene Creed		(APBA, p. 123)

**Hymn OHP "Speak O Lord"**

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**Prayers of the people & the Lord's Prayer**

(p. 124)

**Confession and Absolution**

(pp. 125-127)

**Hymn OHP "Will your anchor hold"**

**Holy Communion – OHP Common Worship – Prayer F.**

**Prayer after communion: p. 143**

**Hymn 569 "Guide me, O thou great Redeemer"**

## Sending out of God's people