



Lovers of the Place*

Newsletter – Queenscliff Lonsdale Anglicans
Sunday 30TH January
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
(by hand to those without email)

PARISH SNAPSHOT



The last two years have been especially tough on young families, especially during lockdowns when people have had to work from home. Just now our prayers are very much with families organising vaccinations for their children's return to school and acquire the necessary Rapid Antigen Tests to maintain their safety into term. Several local households have found our chook yard the perfect entertainment/diversion for their children, or this case, grandchildren.

David & Ann with grandchildren Georgia and Sam on one of their regular visits to the chooks.

ANOTHER SNAPSHOT

Other families in our country have other challenges which we are invited to carry in prayers of our hearts and do something about: Please go to: [CLICK HERE](#)
...and here: [CLICK HERE](#)

FEBRUARY WORSHIP

While infection rates are still dangerously high, we will continue livestreaming our Sunday 10am worship with the church doors closed. This month is at St George's in Queenscliff.

The COVID outbreak in Arcare has passed so I will resume our regular Eucharist there this coming week.

Home Communion: A reminder – I do a regular round of Home Holy Communion. Such a visit is less than 30 minutes. While attendance at Sunday worship is restricted, please let me know if you would like to be included in this regular round of visits.

LENTEN STUDIES 2022 'FORGIVENESS'

PLEASE GET IN TOUCH if you are connecting with us via Sunday livestreaming or on Zoom and would like to participate in these studies as part of an on-line group.

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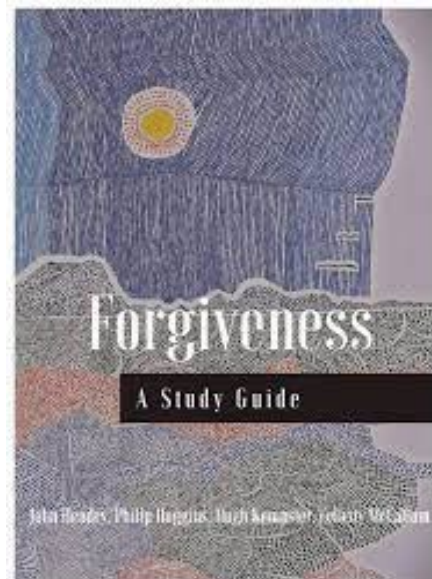
Study Booklet (left) \$20 from the Parish Office *OR* available as a PDF on line:

[CLICK HERE](#)

Seven Sessions 3.45pm - 5pm Tuesdays in Lent.

Beginning with an Introductory session on Tuesday 22nd February.

St George's Old School Hall, cnr Hobson and Learmonth Sts..



*We acknowledge that we gather and worship on the traditional land of Wadda Wurrung people and honour and pay our respects to their Elders past and present. We affirm, with them, in the Wadda Wurrung language: 'kim barne barre Wadda Wurrung' (this is the land of the Wadda Wurrung).



**WORKING BEE AT ST GEORGE'S QUEENSCLIFF
SATURDAY 5th FEBRUARY 9.00AM TO 11.00AM
followed by Morning Tea.**

INTRODUCING Sally Hawkins - Treasurer

Many of you may not realise that Queenscliff was my first home. I was born when my father was a student at the Queenscliff Staff College at the fort and we lived in Hesse Street. From Queenscliff, I moved to Canberra, Sydney and Newcastle and then back to Point Lonsdale while my father attended the Language School at Pt Cook to learn Indonesian for his next posting. I attended and completed 4th grade at Pt Lonsdale Primary School that year. I made friends who I have since re-connected with when I recently returned to Pt Lonsdale. My family then moved to Indonesia when I was ten years old, where I did Correspondence and totally embraced the culture and life in Indonesia. It was one of my favourite postings. We returned to Queenscliff where my father returned to the Queenscliff Staff College as an Instructor. I finished my schooling at Morongo and Geelong College (where I was in the first intake of girls) in Geelong. Overall I attended eight schools. My parents chose to retire in Point Lonsdale so Queenscliff/Point Lonsdale remained a very important and cherished part of my life.



After school I moved to Melbourne and studied Business Studies at RMIT and lived at Trinity College. I married a farmer at 23 and moved to the country on the Vic/SA border west of Horsham, close to a small town called Frances. I have three adult daughters and four delightful young grandchildren.

I immersed myself in country life, and enjoyed being a contributor to the community. From being the financial officer at the local primary school and also a member of various committees, both sporting and educational to organising the annual Frances Folk Gathering which was our main town fundraiser. I also became a Life Coach as I recognised the struggles and issues that many farmers and their children faced during difficult and challenging times. I also saw and experienced first-hand the strength and resilience that country folk have within them.

At the end of 2017, I returned to Pt Lonsdale to care for my mother, Barbara Carruthers, when she was diagnosed with ovarian cancer and I started attending church with her on Sundays and met a lovely group of women who were her friends. My brother, who lived in Budapest, came out regularly to help care for our mother, which I enjoyed as we hadn't been able to spend a lot of time together, living so far apart. Around the same time my marriage ended. I found myself looking forward to Sundays and joined a weekly get together of people who were looking to be confirmed. We met every Tuesday night and explored religion and what it meant to us. It was a wonderful time, and very enlightening. I was confirmed in St James at Easter, 2018, and have since become an active member of the Parish. When my mother passed away at the beginning of 2020, I decided to remain in Point Lonsdale and bought my own home. My faith journey with Peter and subsequently joining the Parish Council and becoming Treasurer has been both rewarding and enriching for me as a person. I truly enjoy attending church and spending time with parishioners and being a member of the Parish Council.

BAPTISMS COMING UP – SUNDAY 6TH FEBRUARY

There is real depth of belonging here in Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale with households often having connections across generations. A good example is Crgan family, still living in the Borough and whose pioneering forbears are in the stain glass window behind Jaimie and baby Hope in this photo.

Next Sunday, Jaimie Ella Joy Simpson and Hope Ella Joy Simpson will be baptised at St George's church in Queenscliff. Three generations will be present: Nick of course, husband and father, and Jennifer and Brian Simpson, Hope's grandparents. Also present will be Hope's sponsors Amutha Samuel and Fiona Lindsay, along with Jaimie's sponsor Sally Hawkins. Please pray for Jaimie and Hope.



GOSPEL OF THE DAY Luke (4.21-30)

Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." ' And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.' When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

ORDER OF SERVICE INCL. READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 30th JANUARY 2022: [CLICK HERE](#)
READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2022: [CLICK HERE](#)

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Prayer of the week

O Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are worth nothing:
send your Holy Spirit,
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you;
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Nations and Peoples: Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Western Sahara, Tunisia

The Church

Our Parish: House of Prayer guests

Oodthenong Episcopate: Dave Fuller and Deborah—
Yarraville Anglican Parish Jonathan Smith and Renee — Red Door, Caroline Springs

Melbourne Diocese: Ivanhoe Grammar School (Gerard Foley, Principal, John Sanderson Chaplain); Christ Church Brunswick (Lindsay Urwin OGS, Russell Goulbourne, Jack Lindsay); St Thomas' Moonee Ponds – Pastoral Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell)

National Church: The Diocese of Rockhampton (Bishop Peter Grice, Clergy & People)

To pray for our Church each day go to [The Melbourne Anglican](#)

Global: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean.

Mission: Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church

of Australia; CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa. *To pray for mission each day go to: [Anglican Board of Mission](#)*

Our Common Home – The Earth preservation of the planet's biodiversity through better stewardship by the human family

Requests Mary-Anne; Jean; Rosemary; John; Pippa; Carol; Thataw Kunoo; Zion and Doni Htoo; Greg; Mike & Heather; Richard; Peter; Jenny; Ken; Pam; Mary-Anne; Zoe, Mary; Shane; Peter; Helen; Robert; Patricia; Julia; Barry; (& Anne); Philip; Ron; Alice; Betty; Carlie; Lucy; Parvin; Sisi; Pixie, Julie and Bill; Angela; Jennifer; Terry; Trish; Ros

Communion of Saints

Sanctoral cycle this week Anskar, missionary bishop in Sweden (d. 865)

Recently died: Johnston Askin Thwaites 17/1/2022

Anniversaries Ann Thelma Peacock 30.01.1988; Ethel May Eggleton 31.01.2008; Susanne Gaye Rodgers ?.01.1970; George Pigdon ?.1.2001; Ruth Lavinia Houghton* 02.02.2002; Dorothy E Johnson 05.02.1982; Alexander McDonald 05.02.1999; Grace Armstrong Ashton* 05.02.2002

An asterisk signifies those whose ashes are interred in the St James' Memorial Garden*

A hash sign # signifies those whose ashes are interred in the St George's Memorial Garden

WHAT'S IN A WORD - JENNI'S GOOGLE WANDERINGS AND WONDERINGS

What is Confirmation in relation to Baptism in the Anglican Church? – Part 1

Confirmation is a church practice that falls into the category of what the Anglican Catechism calls "rites and institutions commonly called sacraments." Along with Confirmation, there are four others like it: Absolution (confessing one's sins and receiving forgiveness in the presence of a priest), Ordination, Marriage, and Anointing the sick.

These practices, or rites, are deeply charged "sites" of God's grace. They are "commonly called sacraments" because they are visible signs that confer an invisible grace. But we distinguish them from the two primary sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, because these latter two are "commanded by Christ as necessary for salvation."

While many Protestants shy away from calling Confirmation a sacrament in the strict sense, the witness of the church throughout the ages, especially in the Anglican wing, has seen fit to uphold them as a vital means through which God mediates grace to us.

Where did Confirmation Come from?

Confirmation arose out of the early church's reflection on Scripture in connection to how one became a Christian. It was first used to describe what happened when a bishop would lay hands upon, pray for, and anoint the forehead of the newly baptized with oil, signifying the gift of the Holy Spirit. The newly baptized/confirmed would then proceed to receive their first Eucharist.

Gradually, in the western churches (Eastern Orthodox churches still confirm infants immediately upon Baptism), Confirmation became separable from Baptism. For Anglican churches, the normal course would be that you were baptized as an infant, and then as a teenager undergo a lengthy instruction (catechesis), which prepared you for Confirmation. Again, Confirmation was necessary before receiving Communion. Confirmation was also unique in that, while a priest could baptize, Confirmation was usually reserved for the bishop.

Puzzling over Confirmation Today

In the recent history of the church, few questions have been so ignored—or generated so much confusion—as Confirmation. A few concerns: In its origins, it was connected to Baptism. But does that mean if you're not confirmed Baptism is insufficient? Confirmation has usually been linked to the Holy Spirit. Is the Spirit missing in baptism? And what if there's no bishop around to offer confirmation (as there wasn't in America for the first 200 years)?

Today, Confirmation is no longer a prerequisite for receiving Communion. If it's not necessary for salvation, and not necessary for receiving Communion, why bother at all?

First of all, we would probably do well to begin with different questions. Like maybe the question isn't just about salvation—am I “in” or “out”? Why not ask: What *more* does God have in store for us? What kind of life in Christ is God calling us to enter into more deeply?

If we ask these sorts of questions, then we can start to see better what Confirmation is and why we ought to incorporate more into the church's life. *See Part 2 Next Week.*

<http://anglicancompass.com/what-is-confirmation/>

OTHER NOTICES

Music at the Basilica 2022 begins with **SECRET CHAMBER** – Australian Chamber Choir with director Douglas Lawrence. Tickets at the door or <https://www.auschoir.org/>. **The WINDFIRE 12th FESTIVAL OF MUSIC** is on from Fri March 11 to Sunday March 20, 2022. For more information visit www.musicatthebasilica.org.au



E-pray have released an App for both iPhone and Android that is freely available for download and which includes the full text, including the set readings and psalm, for Morning and Evening prayer.

The Epray App is available [here](#).

MORNING PRAYER on Zoom

9.15AM					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ZOOM LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SIJCRE5WNXRZUxRaOdHVk1vL2w3dz09					

EVENING PRAYER on Zoom

5.00PM					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ZOOM LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87628164461?pwd=cEF6K1E1Yjh6TEFka25laG4vUDDMQT09					

MEDITATION on Zoom

8.30AM	8.30AM	8.30AM
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
ZOOM LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81733909876?pwd=WHI4QVNENHRJVFZyWXNLSFJ5cjdrcz09		



ARRCC

'Queenscliff Lonsdale Anglicans' are members of Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC). [Click here](#) to learn more about ARRCC and what's happening.

Parish members participate in Queenscliffe Climate Action ([QCA](#)) in partnership with the

Borough in implementing the Climate Emergency Response Plan ([CERP](#))

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