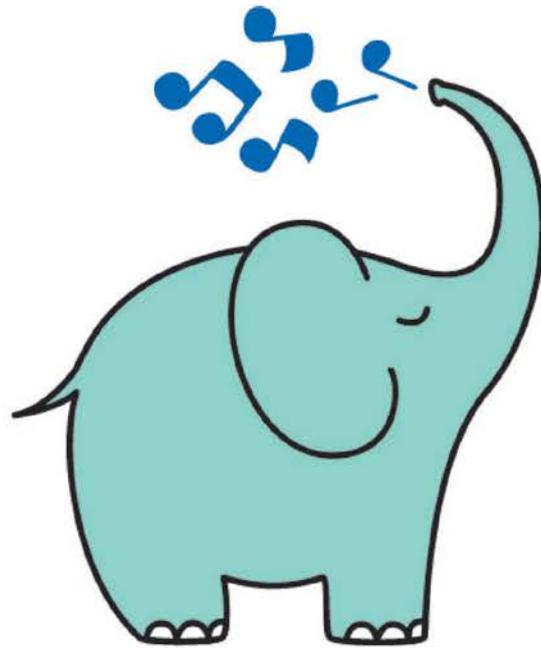


ANGLICAN CHURCH  
of the HOLY CROSS

# Newsletter



**June 2017**



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**WEDNESDAY'S**

**10:30 am to 11:30 am**

**(During school term Time)**

**For Parents &  
Young Children**

**\$7.00 per family**

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<http://www.perth.anglican.org/who-are-we/diocesan-bulletin/>

## Welcome to Holy Cross Church.

We hope that you find the worship uplifting and that your relationship with Jesus Christ is enriched through it.

**Sunday Club:** is held during school term on the first Sunday of the month at 9:00 am. Next Sunday Club is on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

**Change table** is in the disabled toilet.

**Hard of Hearing:** an AUDIO LOOP operates throughout the church area. Please use your "T" setting to make use of this.

**Gluten Intolerant:** gluten free wafers are available. If required, please speak to the service leader.

**Morning Tea:** we invite you to stay for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat in the hall after the service.

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## Easter Tide

(From Easter To Pentecost)

Eastertide is the period of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday.

Pentecost is based on the New Testament, when the Holy Spirit comes upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ.

The time between the Ascension of the Lord appears to be a time of waiting where the apostles are in the upper room. *“When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.”*  
(Acts 1.13-14)

There is a real sense of deep prayer preparing them for their future mission, just as Jesus entered the desert in preparation for his ministry.

Easter is also more than just an extended celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. In the early church, Lent was a season for us to reflect on our lives in Christ; to fast and pray regularly about who we are in Christ. It was in early times a period of new converts learning about their faith and to prepare for baptism on Easter Sunday. The initial purpose of the 50-day Eastertide was to continue the faith formation of new Christians.

Today, this extended season gives us time to rejoice and experience what it means when we say Christ is risen. It's the season when we remember our baptisms and how through this sacrament we are, according to the liturgy, “incorporated into Christ's mighty acts of salvation.” As “Easter people,” we also celebrate and ponder the birth of the Church and gifts of the Spirit (Pentecost), and how we are to live as faithful Disciples of Christ.

In the season of Easter we might let this be a time of spiritual growth, a season of deeper intimacy with God. Easter sometimes seems to be forgotten pretty quickly in our churches. As a result, we miss out on some of the richness and joy of a full Easter celebration. The Easter celebration over the next seven weeks should be a time that enriches our experience of Easter, which, in the end, is really the experience of the resurrected Christ.

Eastertide, surely is not fifty consecutive Easter egg hunts, or fifty new Easter dresses, or fifty roast dinners in a row. Celebrating Easter for fifty days is not duplicating Easter Sunday fifty times over, either. Rather, it's taking time to reflect upon and delight in the truth of Easter and its implications for our lives. The basic truth of Easter is simple. In the classic litany of the church, it's this: Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed. On Easter Sunday, we celebrate this good news, rediscovering for ourselves what the earliest followers of Jesus realized on that first Easter Sunday. Yet the

implications of the resurrection are more than we can adequately ponder on one day.

Over the next months we will hear and read more about the pastoral journey of Christ that leads us to new considerations of our ministry at Holy Cross Melville. Eastertide allows us to think deeply and to pray broadly about what the resurrection of Jesus means, both to us and to our world. If nothing else, recognizing Eastertide gives us a chance to take the truths of Scripture and to allow them to percolate in our hearts.

Talking about percolation. During Lent some people give up their coffee and chocolates. Easter is a season for feasting (adding something positive to your life). If you gave up coffee or chocolate for Lent, in Eastertide you might intentionally eat drink the coffee and eat chocolate, enjoying the goodness of life and remembering that joy of the life to come. You might put a vase of flowers someplace where you'll see it regularly. Many people buy Easter Lilies for Easter Sunday and keep

them for several days until the blooms begin to wilt.

The season of Easter is when we literally live in the mystery of our initiation into Christ's Body (no matter when that took place). Eastertide is sometimes called the period of Mystagogy – a time when we reflect on the mysteries into which we have been called.

The Easter Scriptures show us how to savour:

- the meaning of our baptism
- the richness of the community
- our mission to the world

The message of hope, the promise of attainment, is the message of nature at Eastertide -- the assurance of rebirth. Rebirth of the soul in a succession of lives on earth until the work of crucifixion is complete; rebirth of spiritual impulses to persevere in the flowering of the race -- a perennial rising from and a returning to the work on earth with the consciousness of a thread that runs through all unbroken, through sleep and waking, through what we call birth and death, on, on to the

final triumph of the soul made divine.

Our baptism is the passage from death to life. It must be a shattering passage: shattering the smallness of our minds and hearts and opening us more completely to the mind and heart of Christ. This is the way we pass over from death to life. We bring new vitality to the world by the way we live our lives. Has the experience of our own baptism 'shattered' our comfort zones so much so that we are fired (Pentecost) for the mission of life for our world?

Each Sunday during Eastertide we light the Paschal candle as part of the Paschal season to remind us the light of this world, Jesus Christ, has risen and the new day has dawned. In Baptism we light the Paschal candle to bring light to the new baptismal candle for the same reason; the light of Christ has come into the baptised person's life.

Revd. Graeme

This article includes comments from the internet

## For Your Diary



### **Wed 7 June**

10:30 am Mainly Music

### **Wed 14 June**

10:30 am Mainly Music

### **Wed 21 June**

10:30 am Mainly Music

### **Sun 25 June**

10:30 am Annual Meeting  
(after 9:00 am service)

### **Wed 28 June**

10:30 am Mainly Music

### **Sat 1 July**

01:00 pm Protective Behaviours  
(refer to the poster on  
the last page for more  
details)

### **Wed 5 July**

10:30 am NO Mainly Music  
(School Holidays)

### **Wed 12 July**

10:30 am NO Mainly Music  
(School Holidays)

## Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Enrolled Members of the Parish of Melville is to take place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 after the 9:00 am service

At the Annual Meeting, Parish officers are elected.

Any person sixteen years or older who wishes to become an Enrolled Member (ie wishes to be eligible to vote and nominate at Meetings of Enrolled Members) must complete and sign the 'Application for Enrolment on the Electoral Roll'.

Enrolled Members may nominate other Enrolled Members for election to the following offices:

Warden, Councillor, Nominator of Clergy, Auditor or Independent Examiner.

## Quiz Night

Another successful evening of fellowship and fundraising.

Thanks for to all of those who assisted. An amount of just over \$2,000. was raised on the night.

## Order of St Luke (OSL)

*The following is the edited version of a sermon presented by Beryl Shooter on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017.*

*“The Prayer of faith will save the sick and the Lord will raise them up.” James 5:15*

One of the objectives of OSL is to promote understanding and practice The Healing Ministry according to the New Testament teaching and to help restore this ministry to the normal stream of church life. This we have achieved here in Holy Cross in recent years. Hence the offering of prayer for healing following Holy Communion each week at the back of the church. This is the rich legacy which OSL has bestowed upon us. So in effect OSL has taken on a new life. Our members have become lone members and so continue with our commitment to the ministry of healing by daily Bible reading and prayer.

The healing ministry of the church is not an alternative to conventional medicine but rather that it seen as the spiritual component of the multidisciplinary approach taken by doctors, surgeons, nurses, allied health professionals and hospital chaplains. You will be pleased to hear that some doctors value the spiritual input provided by hospital chaplains.

### **Historically:-**

Very briefly the main line churches such as the Russian, Greek, Serbian Orthodox, Roman Catholic and Anglo-Catholic churches have always practised the ministry of healing. During the time of the reformation due to Calvin's influence, the rite of the anointing of the sick declined in the Protestant Churches and to some extent in the Anglican Churches as a means of distinguishing themselves as different from the Church of Rome.

## Order of St Luke (OSL) (cont'd)

Unfortunately, many people associate anointing and the laying on of hands with the last rites and so this creates a feeling that if I am being anointed, the undertaker is not far behind.

Time only allows me to provide a brief outline about different types of healing:- absent healing, healing of memories, inner healing, healing the family tree through the Eucharist but to name a few.

James in his letter provides us with very clear guidelines that are just as relevant today as it was in his time.

1. Call the elders
2. Have them pray over those who are ill
3. Anoint the sick with oil in the name of the Lord
4. With the promise that the prayer of faith will save (heal) the sick

James also points out the value of the confession of sin with assurance of forgiveness and healing. The notion of confession is something that may be a bit confronting for many of us, however, so often healing takes place when a person summons the courage to unload a burden that they have carried, perhaps for a lifetime.

Hopefully, I can safely say that most of us feel a deep sense of relief when somebody has bothered to take the time to listen to our story.

Healing always takes place, however it may not be as one had hoped. Healing may be the courage to admit that one needs help in the form of professional help with a psychologist/counsellor along with one's priest.

## Order of St Luke (OSL) (cont'd)

It is not only the confession of one's own sin but perhaps the sin of being sinned against, which has impacted upon one's life, e.g. where there has been bullying in the work place, sexual abuse or abandonment by a father or mother or perhaps a deep depression that will not lift, feeling guilty about a teenage pregnancy or abortion - the list is endless.

Healing may well be simply acceptance e.g. the type of healing that comes to mind is acceptance of a medical condition, or the courage to live with a disability or the courage to care for a family member with dementia to name but a few. Healing may well be learning how to be patient.

Absent healing: It can be of enormous comfort to us to seek healing on behalf of a loved one, a friend or neighbour. Might I suggest that it is a prudent idea to always seek their permission to do so e.g. in recent months I discovered that a family friend is seriously ill. During my first phone call, I sought permission to pray for him and so for a few months now

our rector has anointed me on his behalf. You will be as pleased to hear that this young person has begun a very long journey to recovery, thank God.

### **The healing of memories:-**

Similar to the medical field, it may take several months of intensive prayer, anointing and laying on of hands before one experiences healing e.g. I have prayed for a friend for sixteen years - to my great joy that friend has now found peace in their heart and is happily gainfully employed and loved by the people they work amongst.

Sadly, there are those who have repressed painful memories. Thanks to a gift made by the Sunday school children - a patient in Fremantle Hospital, finally addressed her repressed memories of the fear she experienced as a four year old child, when her father returned from WWII with PTSD. It enabled her to talk about her experience, forgive her father for his behaviour and find healing.

A friend, whose twin brother died shortly after birth experienced a double whammy when his mother died - his journey to healing meant that he came to understand that he had carried his parents grief for his twin but not his own. Thanks to a sensitive spiritual mentor and the healing ministry, Jonathan was enabled to deal with his repressed grief. This enabled him to then be free to begin his journey to the priesthood.

Let us never underestimate how children can bring about healing in families – e.g. a little girl discovered that her grandmother and her sister were estranged, so undaunted she visited her grandmother's sister without permission and expressed her sadness about their estrangement. She listened to her great aunt's story and returned to her grandmother's home with a beautiful red carnation from the garden – no explanations were necessary but that simple act of faith reunited two wounded estranged sisters.

Lastly, a personal experience of the prayer of faith. As a twelve year child my mother prepared me by letter for my little brother's death. What remains etched in my memory from that letter are the words *"your little brother is being prayed for in church and chapel the length and breath of Ireland"* He was unconscious for four weeks and not expected to live. He opened his eyes one morning and said *"I want to go home"*. Needless to say this experience had a very profound effect upon me not only as the older sibling, but at a deep spiritual level. My brother did his army service and held down a job. Next year we will meet to celebrate his 70th birthday. This is one of many miracles I have experienced, so yes miracles continue to happen today.

## Order of St Luke (OSL) (cont'd)

The prayers of faith of not only of my parents, our local community but an entire country provided us with solace and encouragement. Jesus had said: *“Whatever you ask in prayer, believe you have received it, and it will be yours”* (Mark 11:24). In other words claim your healing. *“The Prayer of faith will save the sick and the Lord will raise them up.”* James 5:15.

You may well say, but I have prayed faithfully for a loved one/myself and he/she died. It is well known that doctors see death as failure but death may well be the healing friend which provides rest from unrelenting pain, due to a life threatening illness and not just cancer.

Another reason that healing may not have been experienced is the the lack of forgiveness. e.g. A person's husband on the cusp of dementia, had an accident, resulting in his wife's back injury. For years she held a deep seated resentment about this injury. I was witness to her owing her resentment and the subsequent healing of her back pain.

In a talk such as this, it is not possible to cover every aspect about the healing ministry however, hopefully it may provide greater understanding about how lone members of the Order of St Luke Healing Ministries can assist others through prayer and the laying on of hands. Anointing can be sought by arrangement with the rector. Amen.

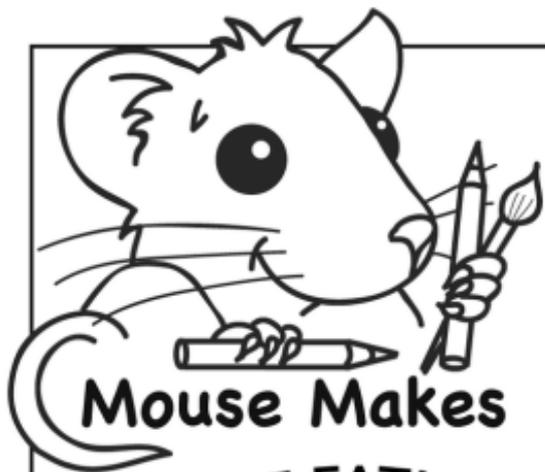
### **Suggested reading about The Healing Ministry**

Taylor Harold, *Sent to Heal*, (Speedwell Press, Australia: The Order of St Luke the Physician, 1993).

Glennon Jim, *Your Healing is within you* (Hodder and Stroughton, London, Sydney, Auckland, 1978) ISBN Number 0-340-24009-1

Glennon Jim, *How Can I Find Healing* (Hodder and Stroughton, London, Sydney, Auckland, Toronto, 1984) ISBN Number 0 340 34821- 6

Books written by Agnes Sandford



# Mouse Makes



"May the *grace* of the Lord **JESUS** Christ and the *love* of **GOD** and the *fellowship* of the **HOLY SPIRIT** be with you all."



2 Corinthians 13:13



Can you find all the names of the Trinity in this 3 in 1 word search?

## GOD - THE FATHER

## GOD - THE SON

C R E A T O R  
 J O N E L H O L Y  
 E A I L M G N O A  
 H S A V I O U R H  
 O J M A G D I D W  
 V U O N H I G H E  
 A D F A T H E R H  
 H G I M Y K I N G  
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M E S S I A H  
 S J M O S T T A L  
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 R U N O N R T E B  
 I S U B E D H A W  
 S H E P H E R D A  
 T A L I G H T A Y  
 L O R D O O R



LORD • GOD  
 JEHOVAH • I AM  
 YAHWEH •   
 HOLY • ONE  
 SAVIOUR • KING  
 ETERNAL  
 ALMIGHTY  
 CREATOR • JUDGE  
 FATHER • ON HIGH



JESUS • CHRIST  
 SAVIOUR • LORD  
 EMMANUEL  
 SHEPHERD  
 LAMB  
 WAY • SON  
 DOOR • LIGHT   
 BREAD • WORD  
 MESSIAH • VINE

S P I R I T E  
 W I T N E S S T T  
 C O M F O R T E R  
 P T H E L P E R I  
 O T R U T H A N N  
 W I S D O M C A I  
 E B R E A T H L T  
 R I G U I D E E Y  
 T H O L Y R D



## GOD - THE SPIRIT

HOLY • SPIRIT • COMFORTER • TEACHER • GUIDE  
 WITNESS  
 HELPER • TRUTH • POWER • WISDOM • BREATH • ETERNAL



*Hiding in one of the puzzles is the word 'TRINITY', can you find it?*

## Rosters: From Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2017 to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Date	Media	Money	Reading	Prayers	Communion	Altar	Welcome	Kitchen
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Peter	David D Tom	Sue Saunders	Jill	Jill	Sheri	Hazel Alice	Hazel Sheri
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Mike	David D Peter	Norma	Graeme	Adele	Sheri	Hazel Alice	Margaret
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Peter	David J Pat	Pat	Beryl	Jill	Sheri	Hazel Alice	Joy Frank
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Mike	Tom David D	Beryl	Graeme	Beryl	Sheri	Hazel Alice	Adele Mike
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Peter	Peter Pat	Jill Betty R	Jill	JJ	Carol JJ	Margaret Alice	Hazel Sheri
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Mike	David J Tom	Peter	Beryl	Adele	Carol JJ	Margaret Alice	Margaret
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Peter	Pat Peter	David D	Graeme	Jill	Carol JJ	Margaret Alice	Joy Frank
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Mike	Tom David J	Pat	Beryl	Beryl	Carol JJ	Margaret Alice	Adele Mike
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Peter	Peter David D	Sue Saunders	Jill	Jill	Carol JJ	Margaret Alice	Hazel Sheri

**Note:** If you are unable to fulfil your roster duty on your rostered day, please try to find someone to swap with and let the Locum Priest or Jill know. If you cannot find anyone, please contact Jill.

## Service Times

### Sun 4<sup>th</sup> June (Red)

Day of Pentacost (Whitsunday)

09:00 am Service

09:00 am Sunday Club

Acts 2: 1 – 41.

1 Corinthians 12: 1 – 13.

John 20: 19 – 23.

### Wed 7<sup>th</sup> June (Green)

09:30 am Morning Prayers

Psalms 90.

Ruth 1:

Acts 2: 22 – 36.

### Sun 11<sup>th</sup> June (White)

Trinity Sunday

09:00 am Service

Exodus 34: 1 – 8.

Song of the Three (APBA p399).

2 Corinthians 13: 11 – 13.

Matthew 28: 16 – 20.

### Wed 14<sup>th</sup> June (Green)

09:30 am Morning Prayers

Psalms 108; 109: 20 – 30.

1 Samuel 2: 12 – 16.

Acts 4: 32 – 5: 11.

### Sun 18<sup>th</sup> June (Green)

09:00 am Service

Genesis 18: 1 – 15 (21: 1 – 7).

Psalms 116: 1 – 2, 11 – 18.

Romans 5: 1 – 11.

Matthew 9: 2 – 8.

### Wed 21<sup>st</sup> June (Green)

09:30 am Morning Prayers

Psalms 121; 122; 123.

1 Samuel 16

Acts 10: 17 – 33.

### Sun 25<sup>th</sup> June (Green)

09:00 am Service

Genesis 21: 8 – 21.

Psalms 86: 1 – 10, 16 – 17.

Romans 6: 1 – 11.

Matthew 10: 24 – 39.

### Wed 28<sup>th</sup> June (Green)

09:30 am Morning Prayers

Psalms 143; 146.

1 Samuel 19: 1 – 17.

Acts 13: 1 – 12.

### Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> July (Green)

09:00 am Service

09:00 am Sunday Club

Genesis 22: 1 – 14.

1 Corinthians 12: 1 – 13.

### Wed 5<sup>th</sup> July (Green)

No morning prayer (School Holidays).

### Sun 9<sup>th</sup> July (Green)

09:00 am Service

Genesis 24: 34 – 38, 42 – 49,  
58 – 67.

Psalms 116: 1 – 2, 11 – 18.

Romans 5: 1 – 11.

Matthew 9: 2 – 8.

# Child Protection Education Session for Parents

**SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2017**

**1.00PM – 5.00PM**

**THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS  
56 MCLEAN ST, MELVILLE**

**FOR – PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS CARERS**

What parents and the community need to know about child sexual abuse  
The dynamics and impact of Child Sexual Abuse  
Reducing the risk of child sexual abuse occurring

**Cost – free, afternoon tea provided**

**Register online**

<https://www.perth.anglican.org/events/child-protectionprotective-behaviours-training-melville/>

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or **0417 178 688**



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**Community** **Family**  
**SUPPORT** **Share**  
**welcome** **join in**  
**HAPPY**

**Not just  
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Sundays!**