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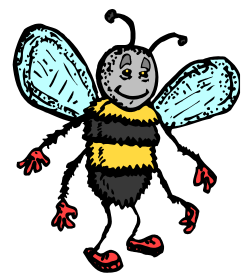
PENTECOST

(Pentecost Sunday is 15 May)

*Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them,
and a tongue rested on each of them (Acts 2:3).*

BEE-PENTECOSTAL!

Someone has drawn a helpful analogy about the importance of unity in the church to the life of a honey bee. As I understand it, honey bees cannot live in isolation. You always keep bees (plural), you never keep a single bee. If you isolate a bee, you can give it the most favorable temperature, you can give it plenty of water and plenty of food . . . but the bee will die within two to three days. There is something about the community of bees that keeps individual bees alive. You can keep bees, but you cannot keep a bee.



In a sense that is also true of the church. One of the chief sources of our strength is our unity. If we are not as vital in our witness as we might be, it is probably because our bonds of love are not as strong as they might be. The church at Pentecost had an intense fellowship.

Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners for Holy Cross will be held at **10.30am** on **Sunday 29 May 2016**. Please note:

- A list is on the Noticeboard showing those who are currently enrolled members of Holy Cross. **IF YOU ARE ON THE LIST YOU DO NOT NEED TO RE-ENROL UNTIL 2017.**
- **If you are not an enrolled member and would like to become one**, please complete a Nomination Form. To be eligible for enrolment, you will need to sign that:
 - (a) I have attained the age of sixteen years
 - (b) I have been baptised
 - (c) I am a communicant member of the Anglican Church of Australia, namely,
 - (i) I have been confirmed in the Anglican Church of Australia or am ready and desirous of being so confirmed; or
 - (ii) I have been received into communicant membership of the Anglican Church of Australia or am ready and desirous of being so received;
 - (iii) I am a communicant member a Church that is in full communion with the Anglican Church of Australia
 - (d) I am not a member of any church that is not in communion with the Anglican Church of Australia
 - (e) I receive communion regularly including normally at Christmas and Easter
 - (f) I regularly attend the public worship of the Anglican Church of Australia in this Worshipping Community
 - (g) I am a resident of this Parish and/or I have regularly attended worship in this Worshipping Community during the preceding six months or since it was established as a Worshipping Community
- **If you are not an enrolled member**, you are not eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting – or at any other meeting that calls for a vote. You are also not able to nominate someone for an elected position. However, you are able to attend the Annual Meeting as an observer – and indeed, would be most welcome to.
- **Nominations are called for one Church Warden and Church Councillors.** Any number can be nominated for Church Council – the Annual Meeting will decide how many Church Councillors it wishes to have and if there are more nominations than positions then there will be a vote. Nomination forms are on table in foyer.
- **Synod members** are not elected this year.
- **All Reports** must be with Peter Bowman by **15 May**.
- **All nominations** must be in by **Sunday 22 May 2016**.
- **Items of General Business** to be submitted in writing to Warden Jill Bowman no later than **Sunday 22 May 2016**.

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www.perth.anglican.org/bulletin

Welcome To Holy Cross

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 on the first Sunday of the month at 9:00 am and crèche facilities are available at the rear of the church. A change table is in the disabled toilet.

KidsPlus+ is for children from age 4 and runs in six weeks blocks beginning week 3 of each school term – Thursdays 4.00pm-5.30pm. \$7 for one child - \$10 for a family. Craft, creative activities, games, friendships, bible stories.

For those hard of hearing an AUDIO LOOP operates throughout the church area. Please use your “T” setting to make use of this.

Gluten free wafers are available. If you require these please speak to the service leader.

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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A Final, FINAL Note from Revd Julie!

I was so completely overwhelmed by the generosity shown to me on my last Sunday with you at Holy Cross. Thank you so much for the extremely generous gift voucher to Kathmandu. It will be both an honour and a joy to spend it! And I do so appreciate your kind words on the card – and indeed the card itself which I suspect Jill chose! The stunningly beautiful flowers were a lovely welcome that morning – and some brightened our home afterwards. And once again you excelled with an amazing morning tea. I feel incredibly humbled by it all. Ric of course was delighted with his bottle of red wine and appreciated the thoughtfulness.

If I have been of any assistance at all at Holy Cross then I have only responded to the love and faithfulness that already exists. Keep believing in yourselves and trusting in God.

With thanksgiving, prayers and blessings.

Julie

Supply/Locum Priests

The Revd Noel Chin will be taking our services on 1 and 8 May. So we welcome Revd Noel – and his wife Lily – back amongst us for these two Sundays. Hopefully there will be news of a Locum very soon.

New Parish Directory

An updated Parish Directory is now available. It is for use within the Parish and is not meant for wider distribution.

Please Note: Sue Saunders address should be 64 Kennedy Street, Alfred Cove 6154 (not Kenney Street).



- That from 1 May the Indian Orthodox Church will be using Holy Cross on the:

First, third and fifth Sundays of the month – 5.30pm to 9.00pm

Second and fourth Saturdays of the month – 7.30am to 11.30am

Please be mindful of these times when needing to come into Holy Cross for some reason.

- That we have begun a food hamper ministry as a way of supporting the Willagee Food Hamper ministry. Members of Holy Cross are invited to bring an item of non perishable food.
- That St Basil's Anglican Parish of Murdoch-Winthrop is running an Inaugural Sir Walter Murdoch Writing Prize. There are categories for 7-9 year olds, 10-12 year olds, 13-17 year olds and 18-25 year old. Details are on the Noticeboard – together with application form.

Parish Council Notes

(not reported elsewhere)

Full copy of Parish Council Minutes on Noticeboard.

Meeting held Thursday 14 April 2016.

Correspondence

- Received information about the five yearly National Church Life Survey. Agreed not to do it this time.

Locum Priest's Report

- Revd Julie said she felt Holy Week and Easter Services went well.
- Raised concerns about the amount of work involved with mainly music – and the amount of food each week that often results in quite a bit of wastage. Jill has tried various things in order to try and address this.
- Revd Julie reported on the various things she will have done in preparation for the next Locum – including an updated Parish Directory.
- Revd Julie said she felt very positive about the future of Holy Cross. Still a lot of work to do but she felt there was a positive spirit amongst the congregation.

Warden's Report

- Positive feedback about the work done on the gardens, lawns and hedge in time for Easter.
- Agreed to accept a quote of \$275 to have the tennis courts re-marked.

Treasurer's Report

- As at March 2016:

Total Assets \$39,496.85

Total Liabilities \$1,973.64

Net Assets \$37,523.21

- Received a \$905 Property and Maintenance Grant from the Diocese. Can claim the remaining \$95 before the end of April (\$1,000 per year is available).
- Stipend arrears now acquitted meaning we are no longer in debt to the Diocese.
- Annual Meeting of Parishioners – 29 May at 10.30am. See separate notice.
- Peter to soon prepare the 2016/2017 budget.

Holy Cross Jubilee

- See separate note re historical book.

Children's Ministry

- Jill has received notification from mainly music that a lot of regular songs used are no longer covered by copyright and so must be removed from the list. New ones available but this change means a lot of extra work.
- KidsPlus had a very successful six weeks in Term 1 with 12-14 children each week.
- Sunday Club going well. With some of the children getting older will look at ways of involving them more in the service.

The Way Forward – Fresh Expressions

- Sue Saunders has offered to facilitate a five week structured First Touch Infant Massage Program to marginalised families within the church and wider communities. The

course is recognised by the Australian Government and the organisation is an Official Partner to the World Health Organisation Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Program and Full Member of the Mental Health Council of Australia. Sue is keen to offer it through the Church – particularly Holy Cross – but not on behalf of Holy Cross. Sue has made contact with the Diocesan Social Justice representative and with the Parish Link person at Anglicare.

- “Come and Try” Craft morning very successful with 15 people present – including a number who responded to the advert in the Mosaic. People chatted amongst themselves whilst also learning/developing their craft skills.

Next Meeting

- Thursday 12 May at 7.00pm.

GFS Mother & Daughter High Tea

Saturday 7 May at 3.00pm at St Edmunds Anglican Church Hall, 54 Pangbourne Street, Wembley.

\$20pp payable on the day. 15 years and under \$5. Raffle will be held. RSVP by 4 May to 9202 1627 (answering machine) or www.gfsperth.com.au/diocesanevents

Order of St Luke

Order of St Luke the Physician Healing Ministries, Perth Melville Chapter:

Healing Service

Date: Sunday 1 May 2016

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Church of the Holy Cross
56 McLean Street
Melville WA 6156

Topic: Doubt, Faith and Healing

All are welcome.

For further information:

Call the Chaplain M: 0438 935 164

Anglican Cursillo® Residential

Onwards and Upwards Residential Refresher - 5.00pm Friday 20 May 2016
12.30pm Sunday 22 May 2016 at Swanleigh Conference Centre, 58 Yule Avenue, Middle Swan.

An opportunity to re-ignite the flame of Cursillo in our lives. Please join us for a weekend of worship, fellowship, reconnecting with old friends and revisiting the commitment you made to Christ at your Cursillo. There is the opportunity to attend for Saturday only from 9.00am to 9.00pm.

Bring a keep cup for your hot drinks – weather appropriate clothing - and a towel if staying for the weekend.

Completed form to be returned to: 5 Java Place, Waikiki WA 6169 by 22 April.

Or email: pauldoyle62@bigpond.com

Forms are on Noticeboard

First Aid Course at Holy Cross

Saturday 2 July, 9am-5.00pm. \$94pp.
Call Yvonne on 041 620 3223 to book.

Does 'Australian Spirituality' Exist?

Come and find out with Speaker Dr. David Tacey.

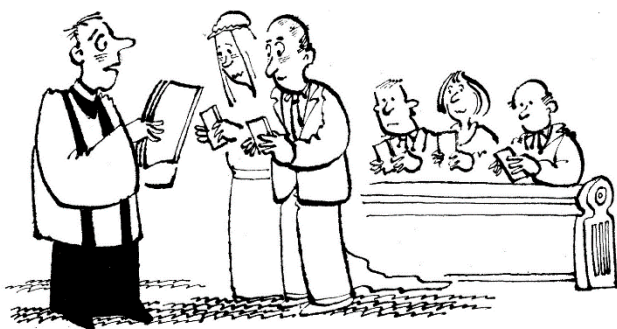
Saturday 21 May 2016 for laity -
8.30am-3.00pm at Wollaston
Conference Centre, Mt Claremont.

\$44.00pp (includes lunch, tea/coffee).

Read more and register online:
<https://www.perth.anglican.org/events/early-bird-registrationsdoes-australian-spirituality-exist/>

Partnership with Eldoret Diocese

No-one has yet offered to be the link person between Holy Cross and the Diocesan partner Diocese of Eldoret as a way of enhancing the partnership relationship and supporting each other. If you would like to be that link person please see Jill. It wouldn't be onerous – just emails every now and again.



...er, if I could just tear you away from your mobile phones for a moment...

Historical Story Book for Holy Cross

Don't forget that we are wanting short stories of between 300-400 words to include in a book of memories as part of Holy Cross' Jubilee Year (2016). The

stories can be quite historical or more recent. You are also invited to include your favourite photo with the article.

Stories/photos must be with Peter Bowman by the end of July so the book can be launched on Holy Cross Day in October. Preferably send by email (pbowman@bigpond.com) but if this is not possible please give Peter a legible handwritten copy. Any stories received early may be put in the monthly Newsletter as a bit of a taste of what the book will be like.

Any queries to Peter or Jill.

Christians Against Poverty, Money Course

Sunday 22 May, 2.00pm–4.00pm at St Augustine's Anglican Church, 2A Kenton Street, Lynwood. A free course to help you to manage your money better and learn to budget, save and spend well. Register by calling 9458 8648

Prayers & Thanksgivings for Holy Cross

- ✚ Give thanks that Revd Noel Chin can take services for two weeks – and pray for him and Lily as they join us for this time.
- ✚ Give thanks for the joyful evening of fellowship provided by the Happy Hour.
- ✚ Pray for the Indian Orthodox Church as they begin to use Holy Cross' facilities – praying that the transition

for them and us will go smoothly.
Give thanks for the financial
contribution this will bring to Holy
Cross.

- ✝ Pray for the Annual Meeting of
Parishioners on 29 May – that all the
preparation will go smoothly and
that positions will be filled.
- ✝ Persevere in prayer, faithfulness and
trust that together the Diocese and
Holy Cross can discern the way
forward for Holy Cross with respect
to ordained ministry.
- ✝ Give thanks for the Fresh Expressions
team and pray for clarity as they seek
God's guidance through Fresh
Expressions.
- ✝ Continue to pray faithfully also that
God will gift Holy Cross with
musicians to develop and enhance
our music ministry.

Part of a Pentecost poem by William Blake

Unless the eye catch fire,
God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire,
God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire,
God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
God will not be known.

<http://www.saltforsermons.org.uk/sermon-illustrations/topics/pentecost/>

Resignations Within the Diocese

Sadly we are losing three valuable
people within the Diocese. Many of you
will be aware of the significant work

Revd Graeme Napier has done as
Precentor of St George's Cathedral.
Graeme leaves us on 8 May to take up
an appointment as Warden's Scholar in
Residence at St Paul's College in the
University of Sydney). Mr Darren Cutri
has done an outstanding job as the
Director of Finances in his short time
with us but he too has resigned. The
very experienced and well respected
Priest the Revd Canon Dr Michael Evers
has had to resign from all positions
because of ill health.

Protective Behaviours Workshop

On Thursday 28 April some of our
current Parish Councillors attended an
all day workshop run by the Diocese on
Protective Behaviours within the
Church. This training is compulsory for
all Parish Councillors, LPMs and other
Church leaders – as it is for clergy. Any
new Parish Councillors – and current
ones who have not yet done it – will be
required to attend a workshop soon.
This workshop particularly focuses on
child protection given the sexual abuse
that has occurred within the Church –
and sadly still continues today –
although perhaps to a lesser degree.
Training for Church leaders has been
occurring over many years – although it
was previously called ChurchSafe as it
focussed on a variety of issues to ensure
Churches are safe places. It is important
that the Church is seen to be doing all it
can to address past mistakes and as best
possible prevent new ones occurring.

Athanasius – the Man Behind the Nicene Creed

On May 2 each year we remember Athanasius – the theologian who gave us the Nicene Creed. This is the name behind the Athanasian Creed. Athanasius (296-373) was born into a prosperous family in Alexandria in Egypt, studied in the Christian school there and entered the ministry. He was twenty-nine years old when he accompanied Alexander, the bishop of Alexandria, to the Church's first ecumenical Council, at Nicaea in 325.

Although Athanasius could not take part in the Council's debates because he was a deacon and not a bishop, Alexander consulted him on the meaning of biblical texts and theological distinctions. With Emperor Constantine sitting as President, three hundred bishops argued about the Person of Christ. How is he the Son of God? Is he God or man or both together? Did he exist before he was born? If we worship him does that mean we are worshipping two Gods?

The young Athanasius saw that some bishops wanted to impose the teaching of Arius on the Church. Arius was a popular preacher in Alexandria who taught that Christ was not eternal but was a 'Saviour' created by the Father. Athanasius worked with his bishop, Alexander, in framing what became known as the Nicene Creed. Our Lord's full divinity was safeguarded in the words, 'eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father.'

When Bishop Alexander died in 328, Athanasius succeeded him as Bishop by popular demand. For the next 45 years Athanasius' devotion, scholarship, and forceful leadership established the Nicene Creed in the Christian Church. His enemies, both in Church and state, conspired against him, and he was exiled five times from the See of Alexandria and spent a total of 17 years in flight and hiding. It was his uncompromising stand for Nicene theology that gave rise to the familiar saying, Athanasius contra mundum, 'Athanasius against the world.'

Athanasius' name will always be linked with the triumph of New Testament Christology over every form of reductionism. Of his many writings the most significant was his great study on the person and work of Christ; 'On the Incarnation of the Word of God', written before he was 30 years old. The whole Church of Christ is always in need of bishops, leaders and theologians in the mould of Athanasius.

http://www.parishpump.co.uk/content/high-days-holy-days-may16#link_5

Mouse Makes



It was the festival of **Pentecost**, 50 days since **Passover** and Jews from many countries had come to **Jerusalem** to celebrate.

The Apostles and other believers were all together in one place when they heard a sound like a strong **wind** and saw what looked like **tongues** of **fire** which spread out and touched each person.

All of them were filled with the **Holy Spirit** and began to talk in other **languages** as the Spirit enabled them.

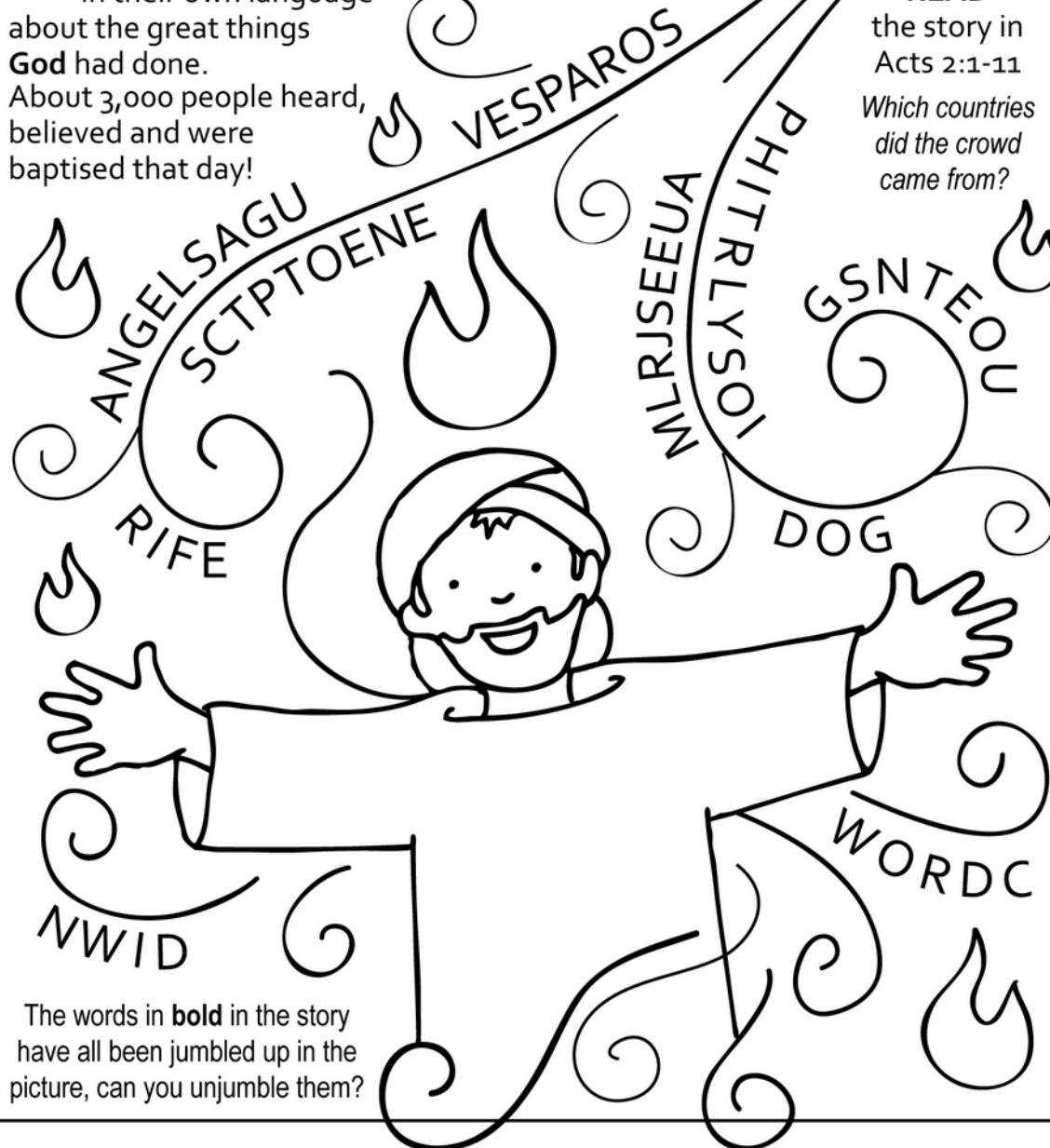
A **crowd** gathered outside, they were all excited because each of them heard the believers speaking in their own language about the great things **God** had done.

About 3,000 people heard, believed and were baptised that day!

READ

the story in Acts 2:1-11

Which countries did the crowd come from?



The words in **bold** in the story have all been jumbled up in the picture, can you unjumble them?

The Lady & The Lamp



On 12th May 1820 a baby girl was born who changed the way that we care for people who are ill. Florence Nightingale grew up at a time when only the worst kind of person became a nurse but she had an idea of the way things could be. Her chance to change things came with the Crimean War.

Florence travelled there with a few others and started work in the military hospital at Scutari where conditions were dreadful: wounded soldiers were left lying in dirt without proper food or care and most of them died. The army doctors already there didn't want Miss Nightingale or her nurses, but gradually they improved conditions. The nurses scrubbed and cleaned as well as caring for the wounded and the soldiers began to recover. Florence Nightingale was called the Lady with the Lamp because she would walk the wards at night, checking on patients. After the war, with the support of Queen Victoria, Florence was able improve hospital care for everyone.

WASHING WORDS

All the words in this wordsearch are to do with clean and dirty. Can you find them all? The words go up, down, backwards, forwards and diagonally and some letters are used more than once.

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

bath - brush - dirt - duster - dry - grime - grubby - mud
soak – soap - sparkling - stained - tap - tub - vacuum - wash - wet

Rosters for May 2016

Date	Media	Money	Reading	Prayers	Communion	Altar	Welcome	Kitchen
Sun 01 st May	Peter	David & Peter	Beryl	Beryl	Jill	Ida	Hazel	Joy & Frank
Sun 08 th May	Michael	Pat T & Norma T	Jill	Jill	Adele	Ida	Hazel	Adele & Michael
Sun 15 th May	Peter	Peter & Tom	David	Priest	Jill	Ida	Hazel	Joy & Frank
Sun 22 nd May	Peter	Pat T & Betty SG	Pat	Jill	Adele	Ida	Hazel	Adele & Michael
Sun 29 th May	Michael	David & Tom	Norma	Beryl	Beryl	Ida	Hazel	Hazel & Sherri

Please 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. Thanks.

Rosters: From Sunday 5th June 2016 through to Sunday 31st July 2016

Date	Media	Money	Reading	Prayers	Communion	Altar	Welcome	Kitchen
Sun 5 th June	Peter	David/Tom	David	Jill	Jill	Carol/JJ	Ida Alice	Margaret/Ida
Sun 12 th June	Mike	David/Tom	Norma	Beryl	Beryl	Carol/JJ	Ida Alice	Joy/Frank
Sun 19 th June	Mike	Pat/Betty S	Beryl	Priest	Adele	Carol/JJ	Ida Alice	Adele/Mike
Sun 26 th June	Mike	Pat/Betty S	Pat	Beryl	Beryl	Carol/JJ	Ida Alice	Hazel/Sheri
Sun 3 rd July	Peter	Peter/Tom	Beryl	Jill	Jill	Sheri	Margaret Alice	Margaret/Ida
Sun 10 th July	Mike	Pat/Betty S	David	Priest	Adele	Sheri	Margaret Alice	Joy/Frank
Sun 17 th July	Peter	Peter/Tom	Pat	Jill	Jill	Sheri	Margaret Alice	Adele/Mike
Sun 24 th July	Mike	Betty S/David	Jill	Beryl	Beryl	Sheri	Margaret Alice	Hazel/Sheri
Sun 31 st July	Peter	David/Tom	Beryl	Priest	Adele	Sheri	Margaret Alice	Margaret/Ida

Service Times

Sun 1st May (White)

09:00 am Service

09:00 am Sunday Club

Wed 4th May (White)

09:30 am Morning Prayer

Sun 8th May (White)

09:00 am Service

Wed 11th May (White)

09:30 am Morning Prayer

Sun 15th May - Pentecost (Red)

09:00 am Service

Wed 18th May (Green)

09:30 am Morning Prayer

Sun 22nd May - Trinity (White)

09:00 am Service

Wed 25th May (Green)

09:30 am Morning Prayer

Sun 29th May (Green)

09:00 am Service

Wed 1st June (Green)

09:30 am Morning Prayer

Sun 5th June (Green)

09:00 am Service

09:00 am Sunday Club

For Your Diary

Wed 4th May

10:30 am Mainly Music

Thu 5th May

09:30 am 5 C's Craft Group

Wed 11th May

10:30 am Mainly Music

Thu 12th May

04:00 pm KidsPlus+ commences

Wed 18th May

10:30 am Mainly Music

Thursday 19th May

9.30 am 5 C's Craft Group

Thu 19th May

04:00 pm KidsPlus+

Wednesday 25th May

10.30 am Mainly Music

Thu 26th May

04:00 pm KidsPlus

Wednesday 1st June

10.30 am Mainly Music

Thursday 2nd June

9.30 am 5 C's Craft Group

Thursday 2nd June

4.00 pm KidsPlus



Happiness at the Happy Hour



Biggest Morning Tea



Gather – Share – Give

Thursday 26 May, 9.30am-11.30am at Holy Cross.

\$5.00 entry + extra for raffles.

Please bring a small plate of food to share –
and your favourite tea or coffee cup.

And do please invite family/friends.

Any queries to Emma Charlton on 9330 9789.