



**THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday 24 July 2011



St John
the Evangelist
Anglican Parish
of Dee Why

WELCOME TO ST JOHN'S CHURCH DEE WHY

St John's today is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching, fine art and music, warm fellowship and outreach. It remains as Dee Why's oldest institution.

We are an Anglican parish in the Catholic Tradition of Anglicanism, which:

- *welcomes **everyone** and*
- *seeks to live the life of Christ in community and*
- *reaches out in love to others to share this life*

If you are a baptised communicant Christian from another Church you are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us today, or you may choose to come forward to receive a blessing.

Please join us for refreshments after all services.

**as we celebrate
THE 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
24 July 2011**

8:00am

Holy Eucharist

Hymns: 449, 521, 452 (TIS)
Setting: *A Parish Eucharist* (Michael Dudman)
Readers: Margaret Winters, Neil Ewer
Intercessions: Alma Ondevilla
Chalice: Robyn Couch, Glen Kinging

10:00am

Family Eucharist with Godly Play

Hymns: 449, 521, 452 (TIS)
Setting: *Christ Church* (Philip Matthias)
Motet: *Who would true valour see* (Malcolm Archer)
Readers: Cynthia Watts, Barbara Emmett
Intercessions: Denise Soltau
Chalice: Valda Ashover
Tony Johnson

6:00pm

Evensong

Hymns: 244, 182, 245 (NEH)
Psalm: 24 & 46



FROM THE ACTING RECTOR

24 July 2011

Dear Friends,

Wisdom is one of the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit mentioned by Isaiah, and prayed for by the bishop at Confirmation. In Proverbs (2:4) it is suggested we search for wisdom “as for hidden treasures”.

But in today's parable of the Treasure in a Field the lucky person who comes across it does not seem to have been deliberately searching for it. He stumbles on it by chance. He must have it. The field is evidently for sale, and he must sell his assets in order to secure it. Such an opportunity turns up only once in a life-time, and a person needs to be ready to act.

The treasures God offers through his holy Church are not always discerned even by worshippers. People can be surprised by joy as they suddenly realise the scale and variety of God's gifts; the Scriptures, the Sacraments available for every stage in our life, the wise teaching of holy women and men across the centuries, the church year with its unfolding renewal of grace, the communion of saints in which we are linked not only with fellow-believers on earth but also with the saints in heaven who share Christ's concern for us and pray for us.

May we have the imagination and energy to discern the spiritual wealth to which we are heirs, and to give ourselves to it.

Yours sincerely

Fr Robert Wheeler

(Fr Steven, Deacon Sandra Salmon and Christopher are on leave until 5 August)

St John's Anglican Church acknowledges the traditional owners of this land and pays respect to all Aboriginal people, and to their families past and present.



COMING EVENTS:

Sat 6 August	St John's Op Shop 8:00-11:30am
Fri 12 August	Café – Clarinet Recital 11:00am
Sun 21 August	Parish Lunch 12:00noon Fr Steven's 50th birthday celebration
Sat 10 September	St John's Men's Group Breakfast 7:30am
Sat 17 September	Classical Variety Concert 2:00pm
Sun 16 October	Dedication Festival and Parish Lunch
Thu 3 November	For All Souls, Fauré's Requiem 7:30pm with The Cathedral Singers and Orchestra
Sat 19 November	St John's Parish Fête
Sun 20 November	Christ the King Sunday 10:00am Holy Eucharist with The Cathedral Singers

PARISH NEWS

Dorothy Olsen

Parishioners will be saddened to learn of the death of our dear friend and longstanding parishioner, Dorothy Olsen. Dorothy died peacefully in hospital on Wednesday 20 July. Her funeral service will be held at St John's this Tuesday 26 July at 2:00pm, and followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. We extend our sympathies to Dorothy's children Jim and Barbara who are also well-known to us.

Pins'n'Needles meets this Tuesday 26 July (fourth Tuesday of the month), 9:30am-12:30pm in the library. All who like to sew, knit or crochet, or want to learn, are welcome. Projects include hand-hemming small patchwork quilts and knitting/crocheting knee rugs.

After the exhibition of quilts and rugs last month, and explanations to the congregation about supporting flood-affected communities, several parishioners have been noticed busily knitting to support this work. If you or others whom you know can knit a square or two at home towards our next project, your skills are needed. *For information, please speak with Pam Fisher (9939 6330).*

Caritas: On Monday 1 August at 7:30pm, St John's Caritas group will hold its regular meeting in the Parish Centre and hear from Roger Soltau about his and Denise's recent spectacular Canada and Alaska tour [and no doubt view some of Roger's impressive photography]. *All welcome. Please speak with Barbara Emmett for information*

Return from Holidays:

- ❑ **Godly Play** returns today (24 July) at the 10:00am Family Eucharist, when the **Crèche** will also be available for parents to bring their toddlers. Parent may view the service on the TV screen from the Crèche.
- ❑ **Playtime and New Beginnings** returns this week; Monday Playtime on 25 July, and Thursday Playtime and New Beginnings on 28 July.
- ❑ **English Conversation (ESL)** starts the following week on Tuesday 2 August.
- ❑ **St John's Youth Group** first meets after the break on Friday 12 August.

St John's Café – Videos, Games and Music are among the further attractions being planned. *All welcome to come and bring family, friends and neighbours!*

■ **Games:** John Raines is continuing to host social games at the **Tuesday Café 10:00am-1:00pm**, for any who may enjoy Monopoly, Scrabble, Draughts, Chess, Dominos or Mah-jong.

■ **Music:** After the superb performance last month by clarinettist Jo Huxtable with string quintet and piano accompaniment, our next student recital (**Emma Stewart enrolled in the "Rising Stars" program**) is planned for **Friday 12 August at 11:00am**. (Ed: I don't know how Margaret finds them; these senior students are exceptional musicians, and yet they may enjoy few opportunities to perform before appreciative audiences in such surroundings as St John's. *Please support them if you are able to come.*)



Happy Birthday: James Johnson (25th), Patricia Sara (30th)

Parish Centre Cleaning: Routine weekly cleaning of the parish centre and rectory costs St John's around \$11,000 each year. The expenses are paid from the St John's Study Centre Fund donations which are tax deductible. The Parish Council is grateful for the support this work has received and has agreed to continue the current arrangements subject to funding; it is big job. It should be noted that non-routine cleaning tasks and restoration are not included in this package. Also, the weekly cleaning of the church itself and tidying of the grounds continue to be carried out by our dedicated bands of parishioners whose quiet ministry is undertaken faithfully each week. Would any parishioners wishing to contribute to the parish centre cleaning costs please speak with Robyn Couch.

Casseroles and Café Food: Thanks to our cooks for contributing food and helping those who value these quiet ministries.

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Neridah Byrne	Don Fisher	Pam Fisher
Lynette Johnson	Alma Ondevilla	Jessica Rynd
Denise Soltau	Roger Soltau	Don Stephens

St John's Parish seeks to be environmentally aware and responsible in our use of resources.

THE WEEK AHEAD AT ST JOHN'S

The church is open during the day for personal prayer.

Mon	25 Jul	ST JAMES 9:30-11:30am	(No service today) Playtime
Tue	26 Jul	<i>SS Joachim and Anne</i> 9:30am-12:30pm 10:00am-1:00pm <i>(by appointment)</i> 2:00pm 7:15-9:15pm	(No service today) St John's Pins'n'Needles (library) St John's Café – Games Morning <i>Cottage Counselling</i> Funeral Service – Dorothy Olsen followed by refreshments in the hall Choir Practice
Wed	27 Jul	10:00am <i>(by appointment)</i> 2:00-3:00pm 5:30-8:30pm 11:15am-12:30pm	Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers <i>Cottage Counselling</i> "Young Mums" Singing Group <i>Street Mission Wednesday Café</i> Bible Study
Thu	28 Jul	9:30-11:30am 12:00noon 3:00-4:30pm	Playtime Holy Eucharist (chapel) New Beginnings Mothers' Group
Fri	29 Jul	<i>St Martha</i> 9:00am 10:00-11:00am	Holy Eucharist (chapel) St John's Café
Sat	30 Jul	9:00am	Holy Eucharist (chapel)
Sun	31 Jul	ORDINARY SUNDAY 18 8:00am 10:00am 6:00 pm	Holy Eucharist Family Eucharist with Godly Play Evensong

Morning Readings: Isaiah 55: 1-3
Romans 8: 35-39
Matthew 14: 13-21

Winter Holidays: English Conversation (ESL) starts next week on Tuesday 2 August. **St John's Youth Group** first meets after the break on Friday 12 August.

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Those who are ill: Annette, Wendy, Pam Albany, Alma Barron, Helen Bennett, Lyn Brice, Stephen Butler, Michael Callaghan, Phil Cutugno, Sue Cuskelly, Brenda and Peter Eyles, Gary Fenton, Kath Gumbleton, Catherine Henstone, Peter Huckleby, Winnie Jensen, Ewen Kenny, Les Lane, Henry Matthewman, James McDougall, Graham McFadden, Marge Miller, Byron Moore, Ross Morgans, Chris Reading, Gwen Riley, Debby Roberts, Erica Udell, Bev Vine, Noel Warr, Cynthia Watts, Jan Watts, Jason Webb, Phillip White, John Wickes, Kath Yabsley,

Others in need of prayer: Lisa, Michelle, Pam, Robyn, Niels Andersen, Daphne Archer, Fay Baker, Virginia Baker, Ellie Bird, Cameron Browne, Nalda Butler and Brian, John and Norma Byles, Susan Caldis, Don and Eileen Cameron, Dorothy Cole, John Cranfield, Audrey Douglas, Hilary Dowe, Zac, Gwyn and Anne Evans, Tom Fisher, Kevin Flicker, Yvonne Gray, Clarrie Greaves, Lois and Arthur Greenwood, Norma Halford, Jan and Steen Hansen, Rona Hartley, Eric Hastings Snr, Michelle Hayden, Doris Hayne, Peter Hill, Carmel Hogan, Glad Jackson, Margaret James, Michael Johnston, Alec, Midge Lee, Beryl and Neville Leete, Joanne Lucock, Clive Maddrell, Colin Masson, Angus McLean, Bob and Vivienne McMullin, Lilian Miles, Brett Michie, John Monahan, Grayden Moore, Jack Moppett, Harriet Morgan, Sheila Morton, Rebecca O'Donnell, June O'Reilly, Stephen Palmer, June Pedrana, Evelyn Peterson, Joan Preuss, Tom and Isabel Ridgway, Harry and Patricia Sara, Bob and Jill Satchell, Lena Simpkins, Don Stephens, Brian Taylor, Jennifer and Michael Taylor, Joan Taylor, Stan Thomas, Phil Turley, John Walker, Lindsay Walker, John Warwick, Florence Watts, Val West, Rae Yock

Those who died recently:

Thora Thomas, Dorothy Olsen, Wilga Madill, Vanessa Batcheldor, Ruth Louridas

Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:

Bethany Holder, Leslie Hicks (24th), Philip Perrin, Jean McLaren, Margaret Cornish (25th), Elizabeth Merrick (26th), Catherine Walden, Agnes McIntosh, Warren Wilesmith (27th), Elsie Wilkinson, Margaret Westbrook, James Findlay (28th), Frank Plambeck, Philip Handel (29th), Kenneth Brown (30th)

SUNDAY ROSTERED DUTIES

ORDINARY SUNDAY 17 – 24 JULY 2011

	8:00am	10:00am	6:00pm
Sidespeople:	Val White June Bennett Glen Kinging	Denise Soltau Warwick Romanis Tony Johnson	Graeme Couch
Servers:	Jill Knox Brian Butler Alma Ondevilla	Debby Roberts Adam Roberts Michael Roberts Kathe Swales	Alma Ondevilla Robyn Couch
Morning Tea:	Graeme Couch	Barbara Emmett, Lesley Flood	
Godly Play			
- Story Teller:		Katherine Ward	
- Door person:		Therese Soltau	
Crèche:		Robyn Couch	

ORDINARY SUNDAY 18 – 31 JULY 2011

	8:00am	10:00am	6:00pm
Sidespeople:	Anne Seddon Alan Plambeck Audette Vaughan	Denise Soltau Heather Andrews Tony Johnson	Heather Andrews
Readers:	Dianne Greenhalgh Graeme Couch	Cynthia Watts Adam Roberts	
Intercessor:	Jean Knight	Lynette Johnson	
Chalice:	Glen Kinging, Jessica Rynd	Valda Ashover Tony Johnson	
Servers:	Alma Ondevilla Brian Butler Jessica Rynd	Debby Roberts Adam Roberts Michael Roberts Kathe Swales	Robyn Couch Alma Ondevilla Kathe Swales
Morning Tea:	Graeme Couch	Denise Soltau Shirley Butler	
Godly Play			
- Story Teller:		Valda Ashover	
- Door person:		Lesley Flood	
Crèche:		Jill Knox	

Cleaning: Denise & Roger Soltau	Brass: Pam Fisher	Grounds Maintenance: Graeme Couch Peter Cunningham
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