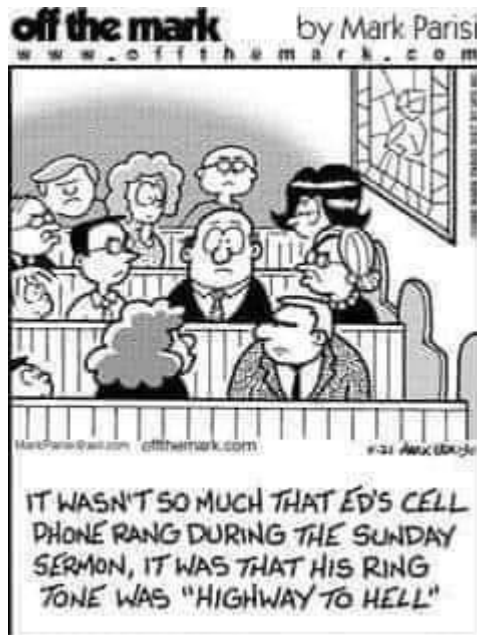


Dates for the Diary

- 25th January—Parish Council Meeting 1pm
- 3rd February—Wednesday Services resume
- 6th February—Saturday Evening Services resume
- 10th February—Bible Study resumes Wednesday 10.30am
- 17th February—Ash Wednesday
- 22nd February—Parish Council 1pm
- 24th February—HOY!



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Anglican Parish of the Otways

24th January, 2021

3rd Sunday after Epiphany



Priest in Charge -

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Welcome to worship today.
Thankyou for adhering to our
COVID restrictions:

- Use of Hand sanitiser
- Keeping 1.5 m apart
- Wearing a mask while singing
- Not mingling in porch

Your co-operation is appreciated

Regular Services

St Aidan's Apollo Bay:

10am Sunday
10am Wednesday
6 pm Saturday

Christ Church Carlisle River

1pm-1st & 3rd Sundays

St Anselm Beech Forest

1pm-2nd Sundays

St James Forrest

4pm-2nd & 4th Sundays

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Greetings in the name of Jesus.

I do hope you all kept cool over what was forecast to be a very hot weekend. I also hope you were able to enjoy the long weekend.

Chris White is recovering slowly and has now entered the rehabilitation phase. Rita and Chris thank you for your prayers.

While a small percentage of Australians find it difficult to celebrate Australia Day on January 26th, it is important for us to remember two things, we have much to celebrate as a nation and we have much to seek forgiveness for. We must be aware that although many indigenous people do not object to the Australia Day celebrations on January 26th, the negative effects of colonisation continue to have very real impact on the lives of many in the form of intergenerational trauma, generational poverty, health disparity, disconnection from culture, disappearance of language, family separation, social discrimination and more.

So lets us this Australia Day, thank God for our nation, for its beauty and the rich diversity of people who call it home, for our relaxed way of life and the peace and freedoms we enjoy. Let us pray for its future and seek God's way of love and reconciliation between all peoples.

May the Lord bless you with peace and joy.
Jenny



Prayer of the Week

Bounteous God,
we give thanks for this ancient and beautiful land,
a land of despair and hope,
a land of wealth and abundant harvests,
a land of fire, drought and flood.

We pray that your Spirit may continue to move in this land
and bring forgiveness, reconciliation,
and an end to all injustice;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings. Jonah 3.1-10; Psalm 62.5-12;
1 Corinthians 7.29-31; Mark 1.14-20

ABM Reflection

Ordinary Sunday 3 [Epiphany 3] – Sunday 24 January 2021

What we do matters. It matters to ourselves, each other and to God. The people of Nineveh responded to Jonah's warning of destruction by donning sackcloth, sitting in ashes and going without food or water. The king hopes that if his citizens turned from their evil ways then God would change his mind. God does change his mind. Is God capricious or does God hear and respond to his people? In much the same way, Jesus calls for our repentance and belief in the gospel. The time is near when we will have to choose to follow Jesus just like the fisher-folk he called.

*Text: The Rev Kate Ross, St John's Cathedral, Brisbane
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Prayer Points

Thanksgiving

- Give thanks for the work and witness of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council
- For the church in South Sudan.
- For Schools preparing for the start of the new academic year, for teachers, students and chaplains.
- For the life of Robin Blackwell.

Petitions

- That we will have ears to listen to the urgency of God's call to us to live in the faith of Jesus Christ.
- Peter, Summer, Lorna, Chris, Bernie, Anne-Marie, Ed, Jack, Erica, Susan, Margaret and their families.
- For the Blackwell family recently bereaved.
- For those suffering incurable or isolating diseases.