

Dates for the Diary

- 12th May—Wednesday Services resume
- 17th May—Parish Council—1pm
- 18th May—Bible Study resumes
2pm at St Aidan's Hall.
- 26th May—Hoy—1.30pm
- 30th May—Combined Service at Uniting Church
9.30am.

St Aidan's Roster—16th May

1st Reading—Cyril Marriner,
2nd Reading—Freda Martin
Morning tea—Richard Brandon.



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Anglican Parish of the Otways

9th May, 2021

Easter 6



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

- Use of Hand sanitiser
- Keeping 1.5 m apart
- Not mingling in porch

Your co-operation is
appreciated

Regular Services

St Aidan's Apollo Bay:

10am Sunday
10am Wednesday
6.30 pm Saturday

Christ Church Carlisle River

1pm-1st & 3rd Sundays

St Anselm Beech Forest

1pm-2nd Sundays

St James Forrest

4pm-2nd & 4th Sundays

Laura Pengilly House

10.30am- 2nd and 4th Mondays

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Greetings in the name of Jesus.

Today is Mother's day, so happy Mother's Day to all the mums, the Aunts, and supportive women who have stepped up into a nurturing role in a child's life when required. You are a blessing and we say "Thank You" to you all.

The resumption of Bible study has had to be postponed one week. We will also hold it in the Hall at St Aidan's until June's health improves. It will be wonderful to sit and relax in each other's company while studying the Word of God. I look forward to seeing many of you there as we resume our study of Titus. I have ordered some additional books so if you would like to join us, let me know and I will see you get a book.

A quick reminder to Parish Councillors that we have a meeting next Monday at 1 pm. To the rest of the parish, please hold parish council in your prayers as we seek to guide the mission of the church in this place.

We are beginning to prepare this quarters Otway Oracle. Do you have an interesting article you would like to submit or do you have a question you would like answered in regard to faith and worship. Either pass them to June our editor or Jenny or simply place them in the donation box at the back of the church.

May the Lord bless you with peace and joy.
Jenny



Prayer of the Week

Loving God,
your Son has chosen us and called us to be his friends:
give us grace to keep his commandments,
to love one another, and to bear fruit which will abide;
through him who is the true vine, the source of all our life,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings. Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1John 5:1-12
John 15:9-17

ABM Reflection

We are exhorted by the Psalmist today to *sing to the Lord a new song: for he has done marvellous things*. If you were to examine your life what things would you describe as marvellous ones that God has done for you? What about in your parish? In our city? In Australia? We're reminded to look for the blessings in our lives. Perhaps today's the day to begin a gratitude diary, to help you focus on where God has been blessing you and the wider community.

Text: Robert McLean
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Prayer Points

Thanksgiving

- Give thanks for the work and witness of the church in Kenya
- For the Diocese of Grafton
- For the Parish of Ararat and for the appointment of a new rector.
- For the parish of Jinim in the diocese of Aipo Rongo, PNG.
- Thank God for every mercy and grace, blessing us beyond all measure
- For our mothers and other influential women in our lives.

Petitions

- Healing for Peter, Summer, Chris, Erica, Susan, Margaret, Ann-Marie, Kay and their families.
- For affordable accommodation opportunities in Apollo Bay.
- For businesses impacted by the recent fires in Apollo Bay.
- For Prime Minister and Federal Parliamentarians.