

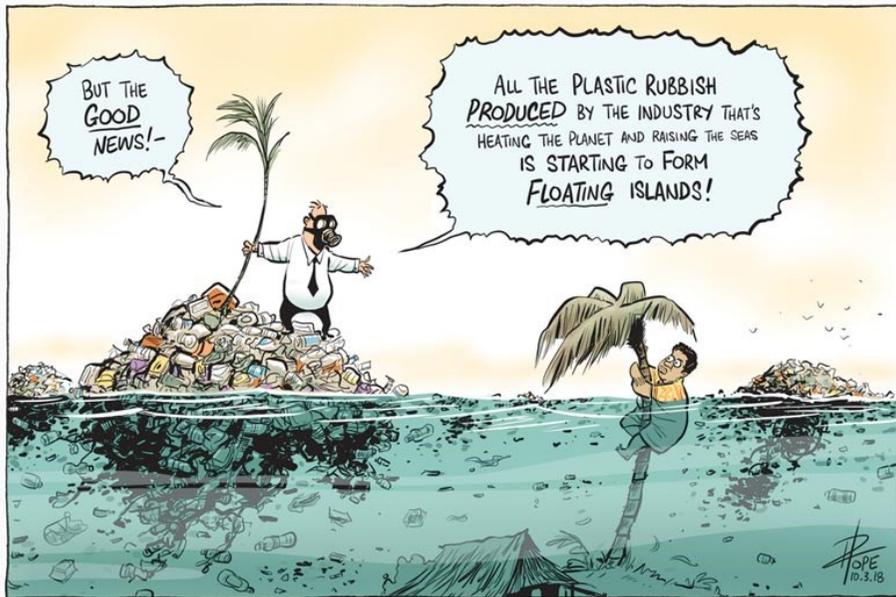
Dates for the Diary

- Sunday Lunch Apollo Bay—12 noon each week at the Apollo Bay Hotel.
- 18th Sept—3rd October—Exhibition **Cancelled**
- 22nd September—Hoy—1.30pm Apollo Bay

St Aidan's Roster—5th September

1st Reading—Michael McMahon

2nd Reading—Richard Brandon



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Anglican Parish of the Otways

12th Sept, 2021

Environment Sunday



Priest in Charge -

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We acknowledge the Gadubanud people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Welcome to worship today.

Thankyou for adhering to our COVID restrictions:

- Wearing face mask
- 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

6.30 pm Saturday (Oct-April)

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.

Welcome back to our regular worship! It is so good to be together again.

This morning we are reflecting on the Fifth Mark of Mission, to protect, care for and renew life on our planet. I hope you go home with renewed ideas on what you can do to care for this planet we have been given. My thanks to those who have shared this morning.

Rita and the family were able to farewell Chris on Friday, along with twenty friends thanks to the easing of restrictions. Rita has asked me to pass on her thanks to all those who have sent their love and condolences to her. She has returned to Melbourne with Mark for the time being as she begins the arduous task of wrapping up Chris's affairs. Please pray for her and the boys at this most difficult time. We will have a service here in the Bay to celebrate Chris's life when Rita returns home. The flowers in the church today are some Rita had been sent and which she wished to be placed in the church.

I'm hoping that Sunday lunches at the pub in Apollo Bay might be able to resume but we will confirm, this with the pub and get back to you. There is also some thought being given to an informal gathering for a chat and some prayer sometime through the week. The idea is we can grab a coffee (so we can avoid face masks) and either go for a walk or sit in the park for a chat and some prayer. I thought this was an excellent idea, especially as we are still not allowed to have visitors in our homes yet, and so I will keep you informed as to when this will happen.

May the Lord bless you with peace and joy.
Jenny



Prayer of the Week

Eternal God you crown each year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings. Genesis 1:26-31; Psalm 104;
Revelation 22:1-5, Luke 12: 13 – 21

Reflection

As Christians we are called to love God and to love our global neighbours as ourselves. All of creation is God's, therefore we have a duty to treat it with respect as we would a gift. Additionally, now that we have become aware of the links between our daily actions and climate change impacts and biodiversity loss, this involves doing what we can to stop our lifestyles harming other people and creatures. There are lots of things we can do. Learning more about the issues; making practical and financial changes; working with our church communities and charities to care for the people and wildlife suffering from the effects of climate change and environmental damage; and also by advocating to friends, family and to power holders about the climate and environmental crises.

Prayer Points

Thanksgiving

- Give thanks for the work and witness of the church in Tanzania
- For the Diocese of North Queensland
- For the Parish of Glenelg Wannon
- For the parish of Kenainj in the diocese of Aipo Rongo, PNG.

Petitions

- Healing for Peter, Summer, June & Michael, Margaret, Ann-Marie, Kay, Isha, Ravi, Sheela, Kerryn, Tai, Rev Frank, and their families.
- For our local hospital and all who work in healthcare
- For those caught up in violence, war and natural disaster.
- That our faith will propel us into positive action so that we may do all we can to protect, care for and renew life on our planet.