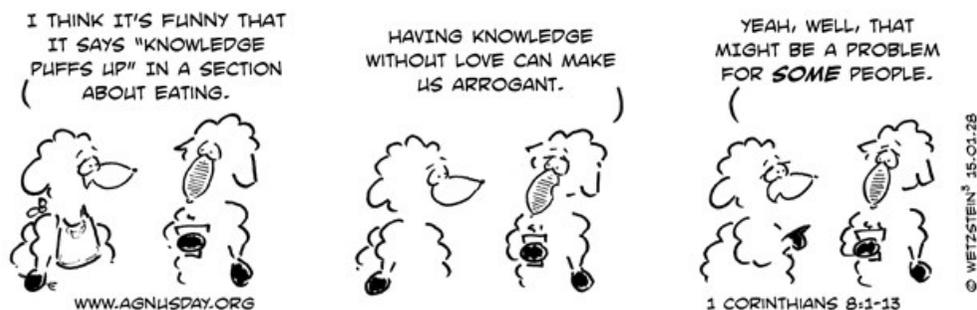


## Dates for the Diary

- 3rd February—Wednesday Services resume
- 4th February—Jack Coles Funeral 12 noon
- 6th February—Saturday Evening Services resume
- 10th February—Bible Study resumes Wednesday 10.30am
- 17th February—Ash Wednesday
- 22nd February—Parish Council 1pm at Art Reach
- 24th February—HOY!
- 5th March—World day of Prayer—St Aidan's



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## *Anglican Parish of the Otways*

31st January, 2021

### 4th 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

6.30 pm Saturday

#### Christ Church Carlisle River

1pm-1st & 3rd Sundays

#### St Anselm Beech Forest

1pm-2nd Sundays

#### St James Forrest

4pm-2nd & 4th Sundays

### Direct Deposit Details

Anglican Parish Otways  
BSB 633 000  
ACC No: 1685 80009

Greetings in the name of Jesus.

ON Wednesday afternoon, Jack Coles died, surrounded by family and clasping a small wooden cross that reminded him that he was going home to be with his heavenly Father. While we will miss him, we can thank God he was a part of our lives and is now enjoying a well earned rest, free from pain and in the presence of his Lord and Saviour. We will be holding Jack's funeral on Thursday 4th at 12 noon. Due to limits on numbers, PLEASE let me know ASAP if you are coming so a seat can be reserved for you. The service will be live streamed and can be seen on Halls Facebook page.

Parish Council had the joy of being able to meet for the first time since July. Please pray for our parish Councillors as they seek to serve you and further the mission of the church in the parish. Also, remember any parishioner is welcome to ask parish council to consider any ideas you may have, and you are also welcome to attend a parish council meeting. Speak to any Councillor or Jenny if you wish to do either.

Saturday evening services recommenced this week. I look forward to celebrating this vigil service with you. We also recommence morning tea next week, after the Apollo Bay 10am service. If you like to volunteer to help with morning tea, please let Jenny know.

May the Lord bless you with peace and joy.  
Jenny



### Prayer of the Week

God of compassion,  
you have shown us in Christ  
that your love is never ending:  
enable us both to love you with all our heart  
and to love one another as Christ loved us.  
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings. Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111;  
1 Corinthians 8:1-8 Mark 1:21-28

### ABM Reflection

Epiphany 4

– Sunday 31 January 2021

The first part of the *Shahadah*, the Muslim declaration of faith and the first pillar of Islam, is *there is no god but God*. I think Paul would agree. He recognises the existence of other gods but claims that there is only God, God the Father and the only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Unclean spirits, demons and the like recognise who Jesus is while the people around him do not. It takes a devil to recognise its opposite. Pray that we will recognise the one true God and recognise the idols of our age, money, status and power, and work and live to overcome them with the help of Jesus who is the only Holy One.

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 Church in Brazil
- For Trinity College
- Balob Teachers College, Papua New Guinea.
- For volunteers who work for the benefit of others.
- Give thanks for the life and witness of Jack Coles.

#### Petitions

- Peter, Summer, Lorna, Chris, Bernie, Anne-Marie, Ed, Jack, Alf, Erica, Susan, Margaret and their families.
- For Avis and the family as they prepare for Jack's funeral.
- ♦ For grace to recognise the idols in our lives and grace to overcome them.