

## Dates for the Diary

### All activities are cancelled until restrictions are lifted.

Hopefully we wont be in lockdown too long.

The following dates are also subject to restrictions lifting.

- Sunday Lunch Apollo Bay—12 noon each week at the Apollo Bay Hotel, restrictions permitting
- Environmental Service—St Aidan's—first Sunday out of lockdown.
- 18th Sept—3rd October—Exhibition (Probably will have to be cancelled!)

## The Lighter Side of Life



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## *Anglican Parish of the Otways*

5th September, 2021

### 15th Sunday after Pentecost



### **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

### **Direct Deposit Details**

**Anglican Parish Otways**

**BSB 633 000**

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Greetings in the name of Jesus.

I trust this finds you all in both good health and good spirits. Can you believe its September already? Spring certainly began with a delightfully warm and sunny day. Great weather for gardening or sitting outside with a good book.

Let me wish all the Dad's out there a very happy Father's Day. I know that for those of you with adult children living away from home will mean you will be unable to see them but I do hope you can talk with your families at some time through the day.

It looks like we are still some time off being able to open our churches but as I have said before, we can still meet together spiritually as we worship at home. There is a light beginning to shine at the end of the tunnel so let us all play our part in making sure we fan the flame.

Chris White died Wednesday evening and will be buried from Christ Church, Hamilton at a time to be confirmed. Please pray for Rita and their family, especially Mark who is supporting his mother through this difficult time. A celebration of Chris's life will be held in Apollo Bay as soon as restrictions allow.

And finally, a prayer for all the dad's out there;

*Dear God, Bless all the fathers in the world who have accepted the responsibilities of being a parent. Guide them to be outstanding role models to their children. Let them look to your example and to parent with patience, unconditional love and understanding. Amen.*

May the Lord bless you with peace and joy.  
Jenny

### Prayer of the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, increase our faith, hope, and love, and, that we may receive all you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings. Proverbs 22.1-2, 22.8-9, 22.22-23; Psalm 125; James 2.1-17; Mark 7.24-37

### ABM Reflection

James warns us all today that we need to have a faith that is living and active – with the outward sign of doing good for others. It's completely useless to have enough faith to move a mountain without backing it up with practical help for others. That practical help is love made visible and points towards the one who is Love made visible, Jesus Christ our Lord.



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### Prayer Points

#### Thanksgiving

- Give thanks for the work and witness of the church in Oregon and California in the USA
- For the diocese of Brisbane
- For the work of Mother's Union in our Diocese
- For the parish of Bokopai and Bulolo in the diocese of Aipo Rongo, PNG.
- For the life of Christopher White.

#### Petitions

- Healing for Peter, Summer, Rita, June, Michael, Margaret, Ann-Marie, Kay, Ron, Kerryn, Tai, Isha, Ravi, Sheela, Rev Frank and their families.
- Pray that your faith will not be sluggish or dead, but alive, active, and transformative.
- For our medical and political leaders and for those deeply unsettled by our present situation
- For those affected by war, unrest and natural disasters.