

Dates for the Diary

- Sunday Lunch Apollo Bay—12 noon each week at the Apollo Bay Hotel.
- 18th October—Parish Council 1pm, 69 Nelson St, Apollo Bay. (A Microsoft teams meeting link will be sent out for those who cannot attend in person.)
- 27th October—Hoy—1.30pm St Aidan's Hall
- Wednesday 3rd November—All Souls Day Mass 10am St Aidan's
- 7th Nov—9.30am Combined Service at Uniting Church

St Aidan's Roster—3rd October

1st Reading—Oliver Kerr

2nd Reading—Rita White

The Lighter Side of Life



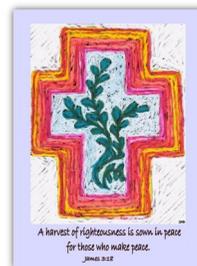
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Anglican Parish of the Otways

26th September, 2021

**18th Sunday
after Pentecost**



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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.

Wednesday of this week is a day in honour of Michael and all angels. It is the only day dedicated to angels that the reformers retained. It is a day that leads me to worship, as the whole company of heaven worship God day and night as described in Revelation. (7:11-12). To worship is to give “worth” to something, as in worth-ship. It is the things to which we give worth that are the things ultimately we worship. As Christians our call of faithfulness is to give ultimate worth to God. This “worth-giving” is characterized by praise, honour, joy. On a week where most people are worshipping at the feet of their favourite footy club, I thought it would be good to ask ourselves, to what do I give-worth in my life? Is God number one or a little lower down the scale? I hope you give it some thought this week and that each day you will find places of wonder and the time needed to adore the God of infinite love and mercy, joining the conversation that is already taking place among all the company of heaven.

I spoke last week about the need for prayer regarding the government’s roadmap out of lockdown. Please continue to pray that it will be an inclusive rather than exclusive process. Pray to that government will hear the concerns of the people and especially those advocating for all religious groups.

Finally, Daylight saving begins October 4th, 2021. You will need to put your clocks forward one hour Saturday night before going to bed.

May the Lord bless you with peace and joy.
Jenny



Prayer of the Week

O God, your Son has taught us that those who give a cup of water in his name will not lose their reward: open our eyes to see those who are in need, and teach us to set no store by riches and earthly rewards, so that, in surrendering ourselves to serve you in your children, we may labour for the treasure that endures; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings. Esther 7.1-6, 7.9-10; 9.20-22; Psalm 124;
James 5.12-20; Mark 9.38-50

ABM Reflection

Whether suffering or celebrating, James tells us that we should pray. Of course it’s very easy to pray when things suddenly become tough – let’s face it we all do that. But since Jesus calls us his friends, should we be the sort of friend who only makes contact when s/he wants a favour? Really, that’s being a pretty poor friend. Much better to thank God for all the benefits we are shown and the grace we are freely given.

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Prayer Points

Thanksgiving

- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church.
- For the Diocese of Aipo Rongo
- For the Bishop in Council and the Ministry Development Committee

Petitions

- Healing for Peter, Summer, June & Michael, Margaret, Ann-Marie, Kay, Isha, Ravi, Sheela, Kerryn, Tai, Rev Frank, and their families.
- For those suffering relationship distress and for the Family Court.
- For those caught up in violence, war and natural disaster.
- That we will always remember with gratitude the kindness you show us day by day.
- Pray that you will find places of wonder and the time to adore God and that you will see all the angels that surround your life