

Parish of St Christopher's City Beach

PEW SHEET



A very warm welcome to St Christopher's. You are invited to stay for morning tea after the 9am & 9.30am services.

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Cheques for the parish to be made payable to: 'ACF: Parish of City Beach'

The Fourth Sunday of Easter 30 April 2023



Sentence

'I am the good shepherd,' says the Lord. 'The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.'

John 10.11

Collect

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep: send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

SERVICE TIMES AT ST CHRISTOPHERS

SUNDAY EUCHARIST SERVICE 7.30 & 9.30am

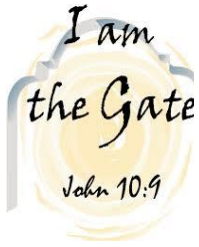
COMBINED EUCHARIST SERVICE: **First Sunday of the Month** 9.00am

MIDWEEK EUCHARIST SERVICE: Wednesday 10.00am

TAIZE SERVICE: Third Monday of the month 6.30pm

Please visit our website: stchristophersanglicanchurchcitybeach.weebly.com
for sermons, liturgical & prayer resources & other links

Ngala kaaditj Nyoongar moort keyen kaadak nidja boodja.
We acknowledge the Nyoongar people as the original custodians of this



Reflection – The Fourth Sunday of Easter John 10.1-10

In today’s gospel we consider two images that Jesus gives of himself. The first is that of a gate and the second that of a shepherd. In Jesus' time, shepherds spent day and night tending to the needs of their sheep. They assured their access to food and water, and just as importantly, they protected them from the dangers of predators and thieves. Sheep were valuable commodities and the shepherds treated them so.

In protecting them, shepherds would place their flock into a sheepfold at night. A sheepfold was a circular enclosure constructed of a low stone wall possibly with thorns on top to not only keep the sheep within, but to keep danger out. The only legitimate way for the sheep to enter or exit was through "the gate," a small opening in the sheepfold where the shepherd would sit or lie and sleep.

In referring to himself as "the gate," Jesus not only shows his commitment to protecting and caring for us, but more importantly Jesus is saying that he is our access to a rich and verdant life. As the Good Shepherd, Jesus shows us the way to heaven through his words and actions. But, we have to be willing to listen for and to his voice. As hectic as life may sometimes get, we need to remember to set aside time to pray and to truly listen to Jesus and his message. He is our salvation and our way to God.
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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ❖ Our parish community: The Parish Council, Lay Pastoral Ministers, Liturgical Assistants, Revd. Pat, and all who serve in the varying ministries of our parish.
- ❖ The Anglican Church: Abp Canterbury Justin Welby; Primate Abp Geoffrey Smith, Abp Kay Goldsworthy AO; Assistant Bishop Kate Wilmot.
- ❖ All who are in need, sick or grieving: Revd. Joyce, Colin, Karyn, David, Chum, Michaela, Cliff, Catherine Watson, Max, Anita, Margaret King, the Newman family
- ❖ Our World: Ukraine, Sudan, the Middle East

If you wish for a name to be added or removed from the prayer list please speak to Revd. Pat

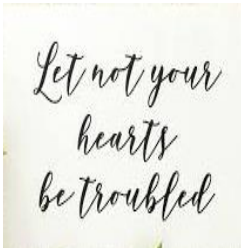


ROSTERS FOR SUNDAY 7 MAY 2023

Lectionary Readings: Acts 7.55-60; Psalm 31.1-5,17-18; 1 Peter 2.11-25; John 14.1-14	
	9.00am
LPM/LA	Joy Campbell
WELCOMERS	Ann Boyer & Deborah Haynes
FIRST READING	Ann Boyer
SECOND READING	Deborah Haynes
MORNING TEA	Isobel Jones
FRESHEN & FLOWERS	Deborah Haynes & Helen Feutrill
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO YOUR DUTIES PLEASE SWAP AND ADVISE REVD. PAT	



ANOINTING and PRAYER for healing is available immediately after Holy Communion. Please sit in the chair next to the votive candle. Alternatively, speak to Revd. Pat



Reflection – The Fifth Sunday of Easter John 14.1-14

The setting is Jesus’ farewell address at his last supper with his disciples. Jesus has washed his disciples’ feet and has explained to them what this means . He has foretold his betrayal by Judas. He has told his disciples that he will be with them only a little while

longer, and that where he is going, they cannot come. He has also foretold Peter’s imminent denial. No wonder the disciples are troubled.

Altogether, then, this Farewell Discourse of consolation to the inner circle really does become a word of consolation to us, facing different kinds of challenges and tragedies. But Jesus is not so much consoling us by setting out what the ultimate future will look like when he comes again and restores all things. In line with the rest of the Fourth Gospel, he is clear that that ultimate future has broken into the present because of his resurrection. The future home with God is found now in the present, as we take our place amongst the people of God and as he makes his home with us now, by the Spirit. And by the Spirit we will see great things happen, as the ‘eternal life’ of the future is manifest in us, as well as in those who come to believe because of what we share with them. www.sacredspace.ie

ROSTER FOR SUNDAY 14 MAY 2023

Lectionary Readings: Acts 17.22-31; Psalm 66.7-19; 1 Peter 3.8-22; John 14.15-21		
	7.30am	9.30am
LPM/LA	Ann Boyer	Sarah Masterton
WELCOMERS	J Munt & L King	J David & D Shepherd
FIRST READING	Jocelyn Munt	Judith Davis
SECOND READING	Lyn King	Lynn Lightfoot
MORNING TEA		Elaine Embleton
FRESHEN & FLOWERS	Isobel Jones & Rita Rock	
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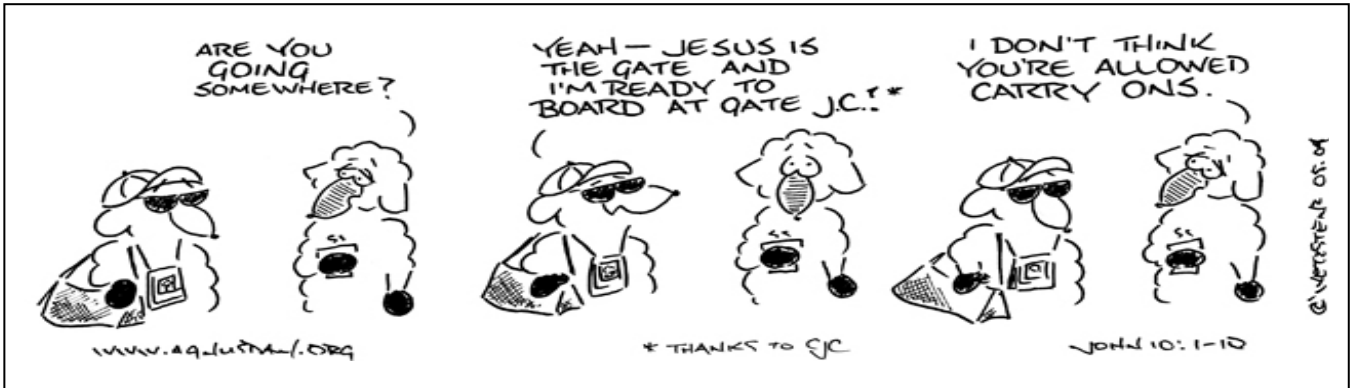
Diary Dates

Monday’s in May	Toddler Jam 9.30am
Wednesday’s in May	Mid-Week Eucharist 10am Reflection Group 10.30am
Monday 8 May	Taizé Service 6.30pm
Wednesday 17 May	Parish Council Meeting 4pm
Sunday 21 May	Crosslinks Service St Nicholas’ Floreat 5.30pm
Tuesday 23 May	Ocean Gardens Eucharist Service



We no longer take up a collection during the service. You will find the offertory plate at the back of the church at the entry to the worship area. Direct debit forms are also available in the foyer and on our website. Thank you for your contribution to the work and mission of the church.

Health Work & Safety in the parish is the responsibility of all, and we encourage everyone to promptly report all unsafe matters you see within the church building or grounds. This can be done by filling out the form attached to the WHS Noticeboard or notifying either Bob Laurensen 9341 5914 or David Munt 9385 9323. Please check out the Health and safety noticeboard in the hall regularly for important information including 'emergency evacuation' procedures.



PARISH COUNCIL

The parish council is the authoritative administrative body of a parish. The Council shares in the responsibility for the ongoing life and development of our faith community, promoting the Church's mission to live and communicate the love, values and teaching of Christ in our world.

Every parish **must** have a council comprising of the Rector; two or three wardens and not fewer than four councillors. A number of current long serving councillors have indicated that they will be stepping down from their role at our Annual meeting in June 2023. This should be of concern to each and every one of us. New councillors are needed going forward. I ask that in the coming weeks you prayerfully consider committing to the parish Council for the year 2023/24 whether you are an old hand or new to the idea. Please feel free to speak to current parish councillors or myself for further information or questions - *Revd. Pat*

ASCENSION CONNECT MIDLAND

Thank you to all who continue to donate to this important cause. In a recent email received from Dick Shepherd who coordinates our contributions he wrote that around 50 Food Aid packages are provided each Friday plus additional to those who seek them in the week. There are also substantial handouts of clothing, bedding and other materials, including even kitchen utensils and tents. From 2016 to 2022 homelessness in the City of Swan had risen 147 %. Your continuing support is very much appreciated.



Congratulations and blessings to all who celebrate a birthday or anniversary in the coming fortnight!