

PARISH OF ST CHRISTOPHER'S CITY BEACH
PEW SHEET



Welcome to St Christopher's

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Cheques for the parish to be made

payable to: **'ACF: Parish of City Beach'**

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
26 July 2020



Sentence

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8.38–39)

Collect

O God, the fount of wisdom, you have revealed to us in Christ the hidden treasure and the pearl of great price: grant us your Spirit's gift of discernment, that, in the midst of the things of this world, we may learn to value the priceless worth of your kingdom, and be ready to renounce all else for the sake of the precious gift you offer. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings for next Sunday

Genesis 32. 22-31, Ps 17:1-7,16

Romans 9.1-8, Matthew 14.13-21

CHURCH SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE: 07:30 & 09:30 AM

COMBINED HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE: **First Sunday of the month** at 09:00 AM

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE: Wednesday at 10:00 AM

Please visit our website: stchristophersanglicanchurchcitybeach.weebly.com
for our weekly recorded Sunday Holy Communion Service, sermons, liturgical & prayer resources & other links



Reflection from Sacred Space on today's gospel reading (Matthew 13:44-58)

In today's gospel we have the third and final set of readings centred on the parables of the Kingdom from Matthew chapter 13. In the first parable Jesus compares entering the Kingdom to a man who finds treasure in a field. The idea is that when one really discovers Jesus and his vision of life everything else becomes secondary.

In the second parable, however, the man is on the lookout for the "pearl of great price". He knows it must exist and he uses all his energies to find it. Although we are baptised Christians, we still need to pursue constantly the true and full meaning of the gospel which can escape us for many years. We always need to understand more, to love more, to serve more.

The third parable is similar to that of the weeds growing up with the wheat, namely, that the kingdom is a mixed body of saints and sinners (good and rotten fish). Judgment is for later. Right now, it is for us to use the time given to us to go in search of the treasure and the pearl of great price, of the gift to be able to identify, with Jesus, the really true, the good and the beautiful, and to help others too in the same search.



Please Pray For:

- ❖ Our parish community: those who are feeling isolated and anxious. The Parish Council, Lay Pastoral Ministers, Liturgical Assistants, Readers and Revd. Pat.
- ❖ The Anglican Church: Abp Canterbury Justin Welby; Primate Abp Geoffrey Smith; Abp Kay Goldsworthy AO, Assistant Bishops Kate and Jeremy.
- ❖ Those in need or sick: Michael, Dennille, Joshua, Suzzie & Jenni, Sue, Ermando, Janise, Chris & Tam & Lachie,
- ❖ This week: For those in our state, nation and world whose lives continue to be affected by COVID - 19

COVID -19 SAFETY PLAN FOR CHURCH ATTENDANCE

no time for complacency!

- Do **NOT** come to church if you are unwell
- Please use hand sanitizer on entry to building
- Please maintain safe social distancing
- Please adhere to marked seating arrangements
- No general physical contact or at the 'peace'
- Please use Offertory Plate at rear of church
- Holy communion will be distributed in bread form only
- Please follow guidelines for morning tea as directed



Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy will join us on 27 September 2020 for an Episcopal visit and Confirmation. Confirmation classes will commence in August – date and time TBC.

If you have not been confirmed and wish to be so, please contact Revd. Pat on 0497445520 for further information.

ROSTER FOR 2 AUGUST 2020

	09:00AM
LPM/LA	Joy Campbell
WELCOMERS	Lynne & Mike Roberts
1 st READING	Lynne Roberts
2 nd READING	Mike Roberts
MORNING TEA	Isobel Jones & Grace Cherian
FRESHEN/FLOWERS	Jocelyn Munt & Lyn King

DIARY DATES



July 2020	Plastic Free July
Tuesday 28 July	Ocean Gardens Holy Communion 10:00 AM
Wednesday 29 July 2020	Holy Communion 10:00 AM followed by Reflections
Thursday 30 July	Bible Study 1:00 PM (15 Morden Street, W. Downs)
Sunday 2 August 2020	Holy Communion Service 09.00 AM
Thursday 20 August	Connect Social Luncheon Group 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Plastic -Free July

A PRAYER

God, creator of the universe,
 Fill us with your love for the creation,
 for the natural world around us,
 for the earth from which we come
 and to which we will return.
 Awake in us energy to work for your world;
 and as we strive to proclaim your love for
 creation
 in our words and by our deeds,
 let us never fall into complacency,
 ignorance,
 or being overwhelmed by the task before us.
 Help us to restore, remake, renew. Amen

Giving/Offertory Direct Debit Forms /Envelopes

Direct Debit Forms available in the foyer and on our webpage.

For those who require envelopes for offertory giving these will be provided in September. However, as discussed at our Annual Meeting, they will no longer be numbered unless you require Judith Davis to keep an account total of your giving. Please let Judith know if you so wish.

Your continued giving and donations to St Christopher's and its ministry is very much appreciated.

Thank you!

DONATIONS OF BLANKETS, DOONAS, EIDERDOWNS FOR ARMADALE FOR WINTER

A very big thank you to everyone for your kind donations. I delivered them to the parish of St Matthew's last Wednesday and they were extremely grateful to receive them. If you have further donations please speak to Revd Pat.

SOCIAL CONNECT LUNCHEON GROUP



Commencing at St Christopher's City Beach, Thursday 20 August 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM and will meet on the **THIRD** Thursday of each month thereafter. During the winter months a light lunch of homemade soup and bread will be served, as well as tea and coffee.

Feeling socially connected, especially in an increasingly isolated world, is more important than ever, and so this is an opportunity to come together to chat and enjoy some activities. It is open to all, including the wider community, so please feel free to invite a friend! Due to COVID-19 restrictions, numbers will be limited so please contact Revd Pat on 0497445520 for further information and to register your interest.



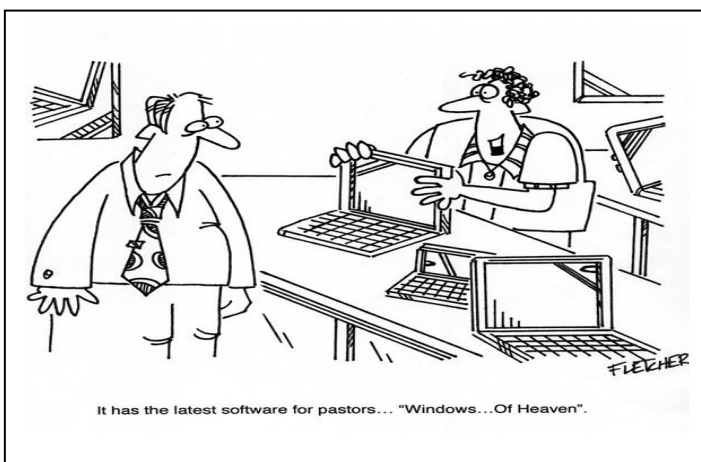
New Weekly Home Bible Study Group

Thursday's at 1 pm at the home of the Embleton's (15, Morden Street, W. Downs).

This term we are studying the disciple Peter. We will work from a study guide. The group is being coordinated by Elaine Embleton and Inta Adams. The session will last for about an hour, followed by afternoon tea, but you can leave at any time!

Please contact Inta Adams (93859661) or Elaine Embleton (0417234741) for further information and to register your interest.

All are very welcome!



Congratulations & blessings to all who celebrate a birthday or anniversary this week!



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