

Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia

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A warm welcome is extended to all visitors today. God's richest blessings to you all.

SERVICES TODAY

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads 9.00am Barwon Heads

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10.30am Ocean Grove 10.30.00am Ocean Grove

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Monday February the 20th is World Day of Social Justice

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Epiphany 6) Deut. 30: 15-20, Psalm 119: 1-8, 1 Corinthians 3: 1-9, Matthew 5: 21-37

NEXT WEEK (Epiphany 7) Lev. 19: 1-2, 9-18, Psalm 119: 33-40 1 Corinthians 3: 10-11, 16-23, Matthew 38: 48

KEY VERSE

" I seek you with all my heart that I might not sin against you."
Psalm 119: 11

BARWON HEADS NEWS

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email oguc107@gmail.com or phone 5256 2477 and leave a message.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like prayer through the week, to activate the prayer chain, please contact Fay on 5254 1763 or 0447 314 377where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

OUR COMBINED CHURCHES of Barwon Heads will meet at All Saints Anglican Church on Tuesday February the 14th at 4.00pm to share news of each others activities and plan for any proposed combined projects. We would hope to have 6 or 8 people from our uniting Church able to attend. Please let Ian Cover know if you are available to attend.

OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet next Wednesday February the 15th. Cathy Coleman will leading us and we look forward to her presentation and our friendly get together. All welcome.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER at The Holy Catholic Church, Barwon Heads, Friday March the 3rd at 2.00pm. The order of service has been prepared by Christians in the Philippines on the theme "Am I being unfair to you?". Guest Speaker, Miss Julie Chamberlain, a retired teacher, has a link with the Philippines through a charity group "Friends of Romania and the Philippines" which she established and continues to convene to raise funds through the sale of Christmas cakes and puddings (some available on the day) to support work with orphans and disadvantaged women in these countries. Please note the date and time, invite a friend and come along to join this time of worship and prayer.

All welcome to morning tea in the Church Hall after the service.

Opening Saturday February the 18th "Recycled Treasures" sold out of "The Taj" Ocean Grove Uniting Church 8.00am—12noon.

Please note that this special offer will be available every 3rd Saturday of the month for the next 5 months.

DATES FOR CALENDARS

Parish Executive Meeting
Tuesday February 21st
4.00pm in the Ocean Grove Church Foyer.

Lenten Studies from
Wednesday March 8th until Wednesday April the 5th.
"Back to the Gospel"
7.00pmNewington Church

Rural Australian for Refugees
invite you to
"Writers in Reflection 3"
Arnold Zable. Alice Pung, and Tony Birch
will discuss their latest books.
Sunday February the 19th at 4.00pm
Queenscliff Uniting Church.
Tickets \$30.00 with supper included
Phone Lyn 5255 2638 or Di 5256 1004
For tickets and more information if required.
All proceeds go towards the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre.

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Ocean Grove—Barwon Heads Uniting Church
and follow us.
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Step 2. Type our page name in the search box.
Step 3. Click "Like" button
Then,
You can get news of our Parish automatically!

Please make sure that you keep the enclosed leaflet giving details about the "Lenten Walks" for 2017 in a prominent place. If walking you may like to make sure that you bring the "aeroguard"

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: Each Sunday there is a bowl in the foyer for your donation towards a worthy cause. The Treasurer is prepared to count anything so why not empty out that small change you may be carrying as many cents make dollars. **Please note that all money raised from the 1st of January until Sunday April the 16th will be for the Share Lenten Appeal. Appeal envelopes will be made available shortly.**

PRAYER CONTACT: If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) please contact Helen Baum on 5255 1487

FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT Drop in for a tea/coffee, biscuit or two, a chat and always a good laugh. Stay for 5 minutes or an hour if you like. All are welcome.

LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY: If you are wondering how you might support the work of our food pantry tins of crushed tomatoes, sweet corn kernels and baked beans would be greatly appreciated by the many people who come seeking our assistance.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Next Sunday February the 19th. This meeting will be held in the hall straight after morning worship and will be followed by a shared lunch. Please bring a plate of finger food to share. Please remember to bring along your copy of the Annual Report in case any discussion is needed on the reports.

STAMPS: Thank you to all those who have contributed stamps over the past 12 months. Through your efforts we have been able to send 19kgs. to "Sammy Stamp". Just a few reminders: ALL stamps must have a 3mm margin on all sides. Please be careful if you are tearing them off envelopes. Please keep postcards and pre-paid envelopes intact. Heavily franked and stained stamps are unacceptable. Thank you Joan Billington.

NEW FUNDRAISING IDEA: for the next 6 months, on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 8.00am—12noon the doors of what is now known as "The Taj" will be opened to the public to provide a regular venue to come and browse and buy the excess and unsaleable goods that are donated to "the dove". This will need only 2 volunteers from the Congregation per sale day. No setting up required as all goods will already be on display. This will, of course lighten the workload on many people, so please consider adding your name to the roster. 12 names are all we need to make it necessary for one person to do 1 shift for the 6 months. Please see Jean Konings if interested.

UCAF NEWS: The next meeting will be the Commitment Service and will be held on Monday February the 27th at 10.00am. Please bring a small plate for morning tea and there will be a Trading Table. All welcome.