

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

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Holy Communion

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LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Transfiguration of Jesus) Exodus 24: 12-18, Psalm 2 or Psalm 99, 2 Peter 1: 16-21, Matthew 17: 1-9

NEXT WEEK (Lent 1) Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7, Psalm 32, Romans 5: 12-19. Matthew 4: 1-11

KEY VERSE

"When they looked up, they saw no-one except Jesus" Matthew 17: 8

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 314 377 where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

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.

OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP enjoyed Cathy Coleman's discussion based on Lent, at our second meeting for the year in February. Next Wednesday we look forward to hearing Be Smith, who is a faithful member of our Congregation.

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

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You can get news of our Parish automatically!

EXCITING NEWS

Yoo Mi will begin field education as part of her candidate formation at Queenscliff Uniting Church from the 1st Sunday in March.

Yoo Mi will learn and practice there for a year.

Please keep Yoo in your prayers
as she begins a new chapter in her life.

DATES FOR CALENDARS

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

Parish Mission Team Meeting Wednesday March the 8th 7.00pm at Ocean Grove

THURSDAY MARCH THE 16TH
2.00pm
Service of Holy Communion at Barwon Heads Church.

LENTEN WALKS 2017

A time of walking, time of meditation in our wonderful environment that surrounds us.

A series of 4 walks during Lent leading yup to Easter.

The walks will commence at 9.30am for 35-45 minutes.

If you are unable to join us for the walks,

come and meet us for morning coffee at the conclusion of each walk.

Tuesday March the 14th meet at the Newington Church

Tuesday March the 21st meet at the carpark (assembly 20W) on the Ocean Grove side of the Barwon Heads Bridge.

Tuesday March the 28th meet at the Collendina beach carpark, cnr. Ocean Thru Way and Bonnyvale Road opposite the "Cheeky Cow Café.

Tuesday April the 4th meet at the carpark (assembly 20W) on the Ocean

OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE EVERYDAY OF THE WEEK

(some time constraints apply)

If you or anyone you know is interested is using this excellent facility for classes, meetings etc. please phone Lesley Pope on 5255 2201

All Hall Hirers must have their own public liability insurance.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: Please note that all money raised from the 1st of January until Sunday April the 16th will be for the Share Lenten 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.

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.

MARCH MEETINGS: Church Council Thursday March 2nd 4.30pm in the Church Foyer. Elders meeting Thursday March 9th 10.00am in the church foyer.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the "Recycled Treasure Sale last Saturday. It was a great success with \$471.45 being raised. If you are able to help on the 3rd Saturday of the month for 2 hours please see Jean Konings.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

A man lived in a flood zone and the rain began to pour down so he moved up to the first floor of his house. A rescue boat came to take him to safety, but he said "No thanks, God will save me". The rain continued to pour and the water level rose so the man moved up to the second floor of his house. Another rescue boat came to save him and insisted he leave, but he said "No thanks God will save me." Then the banks of the river broke and the man had to climb up onto the roof. A helicopter came to rescue him but once again he wouldn't leave. Then a huge gush of water came and washed the man of the roof and he drowned. When he meet God in heaven his 1st question was "God why didn't you save me" and God answered "Well I am bit confused. I sent two rescue boats and a helicopter!"