

Newsletter

Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday November 15th 2020

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Please note that there will be **no meetings** for the remainder of 2020.

We will meet again in the new year.

KITCHEN CLEAN

Judy Greer and Dianne Sapwell have been busy giving the kitchen a good clean and tidy up.

While doing this they have found that we only have 2 saucepans without lids, chopping boards that are pass their use by date and only a limited number of baking trays.

If you have any of the above that you are not using would you please consider donating them to the church.

You can leave them in the office on Thursday or Friday mornings between 10.00am and 11.30am

COFFEE CUP CHALLENGE A SMALL SACRIFICE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

Each year Congregations across Victoria host Pancake Day events to raise vital funds to support people in our Communities who are disadvantaged. This year we're adding an extra dimension to Pancake Day fundraising activities and inviting Congregations to join us in the Coffee Cup Challenge.

From International Coffee Day (Thursday 1st October) until Shrove Tuesday (Tuesday February 16th 2021) participants can "donate" the cost of a cup of coffee each week. You make like to make a donation into a jar every time you make a cuppa at home, or every time you buy a cuppa when out.

By making a small sacrifice regularly you can make a big difference for people in need.

On Pancake Day (or around that date) hopefully we will be able to come together and celebrate with pancakes for morning tea and pool our "sacrifices" together. Each donation will be placed into a Coffee Cup challenge collection.

All funds raised by Share will support people experiencing crisis, vulnerability and disadvantage.

Dianne will register us with Share this week, so start "drinking and donating"

NEW HOMES FOR PEOPLE

Meriel Derrick is now living at Kensington Grange 1-13 Ferguson Road Leopold Vic. 3224 Phone 52502301

And Nell Brethouwer has moved in Seaview Manor 77-79 Tareeda Way Ocean Grove 3226 Phone 5256 2866

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

November 15th Pentecost 24 Judges 4: 1-7, Psalm 123, 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11, Matthew 25: 14-30

November 22nd Christ the King Ez. 34: 11-16, 20-24, Psalm 100 Ephesians 1: 15-23, Matthew 25: 31-46

November 29th Advent 1 Isaiah 64: 1-9, Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9, Mark 13: 24-37

December 6th Advent 2 Isaiah 40: 1-11, Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13, 2 Peter 3: 8-15a, Mark 1: 1-8

KEY VERSE FOR THE WEEK
"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,
just as in fact you are doing."

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Melbourne Society of Women Painters & Sculptors 111th Annual Exhibition

With great excitement, the President and Committee invite you and your friends to view

CHANGING PERSPECTIVES 2020 MSWPS First Virtual Online Exhibition.

The creativity, diversity and artistic excellence of our members will be showcased in this large exhibition with insightful comments by Amanda Hyatt.

Click on

https://mswps.com.au/changing-perspectives-2020

THE DOVE has re-opened and is Trading Monday—Saturday 10.00am—1.00pm.

And donations of clean clothing, bric-a-brac and books are being accepted between 10.00am and 12noon daily.

UNITING BARWON EMERGENCY RELIEF CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

The staff, volunteers and clients of Uniting Barwon are most appreciative of the ongoing support of the local Uniting Churches for continuing to donate food and material aid during these challenging times.

The team of volunteers at both our Grovedale and Norlane offices have managed to navigate the complex working conditions due to Covid-19 and they are to be congratulated. This has meant that we have been available to help people facing crisis and disadvantage.

We are now organising the Christmas Hamper Program as well as working with the Geelong Advertiser and the Adopt a Family Program to assist families with gifts and food.

CAN YOU HELP WITH DONATIONS OF

- Staple foods such as pasta sauce, tinned fruit and vegetables, rice, tuna, long life milk and cereal.
- Christmas treats such as puddings and cakes, custard, tinned ham, sweets and chocolates, juices and drinks are bonus items we offer if available.
- Grocery gift cards for purchase of food which is in short stock.

Donations can be delivered to our Grovedale office at 272 Torquay Road by Monday December the 7th.

Thank you Eril Gliddon, Coordinator Emergency Relief Operations.