



Newsletter

Ocean Grove,
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Sunday March 7th 2021

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Your are warmly invited to the
Ordination of Mrs. Yoo Mi Park
Sunday 14th March 2.00pm
Brunswick Uniting Church
Corner Sydney Road & Merri Street
Brunswick 3056
Live streamed on
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/
UCINmbFfS2NgryJmLcOw2XA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCINmbFfS2NgryJmLcOw2XA)

CLIMATE CRISIS MULTI-FAITH DAY OF ACTION 11TH MARCH 11.00AM

Please gather at 10.45 atop the hill in the grounds of St
George's Church Queenscliff

An electronic bell will sound the alarm for the climate.
Aerial views of the gathering will be uploaded to join many
others from around the world at

[https://greenfaith.org/take-action/sacred-people-sacred-
earth/?
fbclid=IwAR18wlkjsEZpuwp7CBiULBIKs1cW9f4ItG79YoJutzP
kn7cV-ixMITD6g](https://greenfaith.org/take-action/sacred-people-sacred-earth/?fbclid=IwAR18wlkjsEZpuwp7CBiULBIKs1cW9f4ItG79YoJutzPkn7cV-ixMITD6g)

2021 Parish Lenten Walks and Coffee

The "Parish Lenten Walks and Coffee are back for another year—a time of contemplation, meditation, sharing and walking in the wonderful environment that surrounds us.

Leading up to Easter, the series of gentle walks during Lent will be on consecutive Wednesday mornings starting at 9.30am for about 20-30 minutes followed by coffee (or just join the group for coffee)

Wednesday 10th March: Meet at "The Heads" Restaurant carpark Barwon Heads, and walk along the foreshore towards the Bluff, returning to "The Heads" restaurant for coffee.

Wednesday 17th March: Meet at "The Garage" Restaurant on the corner of LeLean Street and Wallington Road, and walk along the river, returning to "The Garage" for coffee.

Wednesday 23rd March: Meet at "The Dunes" café at Ocean Grove Beach, and walk along the beach or on a track, returning to "The Dunes" for coffee.

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Please note that the **Newsletter** is going to print on **Thursday mornings** now.

If you would like to have an article included, please have it to the office by **8.30am**.

Articles can be emailed or left in the folder marked newsletter that is on the shelf under the clock in the church foyer.

Due to the fact that Ocean Grove now has access to all the pages in the newsletter there is plenty of room for "special" news such as significant birthdays, anniversaries etc.

Also you have come across a short piece of news that you think other people might like to read, they will be accepted.

Just remember that it is the discretion of the Editor on what get publishes.

WEEKLY LECTIONARY READINGS

March 7th Lent 3

Exodus 20: 1-17, Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 1: 18-25, John 2: 13-22

Bible Reader: Diane Prowse

Prayers for the People: Pat Reid

March 14th Lent 4

Numbers 21 4-9, Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22,

Ephesians 2: 1-10, John 3: 14-21

Bible Reader: Ben McKinley

Prayers for the People: The Reverend Bob Thomas

March 21st Lent 5

Jeremiah 31: 31-34, Psalm 51: 1-12, or

Psalm 119: 9-16, Hebrews 10: 4-10, John 12:20-33

Bible Reader: Margery Scott

Prayers for the People: Judy Greer

March 28th Passion/Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31: 9-16 or 118:1-2, 19-29

Philemon 2: 5-11, Mark 14: 1-15:47 or Mark 15: 1-39, (40-47)

Or Mark 11:1-11 or John 12: 1-11

Bible Reader: Wilma Andrews

Prayers for the People The Reverend Bob Thomas

KEY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

“But the temple that he had spoken of was his body”

John 2: 21

ZOOM LOGIN DETAILS

The link is

[https://zoom.us/j/2978521634?](https://zoom.us/j/2978521634?pwd=K01NDZnTUxiYzYwRFIVL0tsQW5oZz09)

[pwd=K01NDZnTUxiYzYwRFIVL0tsQW5oZz09](https://zoom.us/j/2978521634?pwd=K01NDZnTUxiYzYwRFIVL0tsQW5oZz09)

Or if using your Zoom app, enter the following:

Meeting ID: 297 852 1634

Passcode 988040

As we enter into this season of Lent, we follow Jesus to Jerusalem, travelling with him in his suffering, and to his death.

This year we are mindful of the suffering experienced by so many in our world right now.

In this time of preparation and discipline, may we journey toward the transforming hope and joy of his resurrection, mindful of Jesus' steadfast and enduring love in the midst of danger, fear and grief.

As followers of Jesus, God reminds us again of God's deep and healing love for us and for all people.

Compassionate Christ,

You speak to our deepest longings for love, hope and meaning.

You call us into communion with you.

Draw close to us, as we take time in this season, to pray, to reflect, and to open our lives to the transforming presence of your Holy Spirit.

As we journey with you to Jerusalem and remember your suffering, we pray you will open our hearts to the suffering of the world.

Open our eyes and ears to see the needs of our neighbours and hear the voices of those who are grieving and wounded.

Strengthen our resolve to journey with you into justice, and into solidarity with all those who long for liberation.

As we journey with you to Easter, may you renew us in following your Way and empower us to be bearers of God's good news of love,

Compassion and hope to the world.

Amen.

*Written by the
Uniting Church in Australia President
Doctor Deidre Palmer.*