



# ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH CANBERRA

**19 May 2024**

**Day of Pentecost**

Today's services are at  
8am, 9.30am, 11.15am and 6.00pm

'A new heart I will give you, and a  
new spirit I will put within you,' says  
the Lord God; 'I will put my spirit  
within you and you shall live.'

*Ezekiel 36.26; 37.14*



Pentecost occurs 50 days after Easter, and celebrates the pouring of God's Holy Spirit into the church. Because of this, the presence and power of the risen Christ remains with us to this day.

***St John's exists to bear public witness to Jesus Christ,  
the source of life.***

## PARISH NOTICES



**MORNING TEA TODAY IN THE SCHOOLHOUSE:** Share some morning tea after today's 8 and 9.30 services in the St John's schoolhouse, with a complementary viewing of the Heritage Festival Exhibition "Skilful Hands..." Weather permitting we will meet outside (at the eastern end). There will also be goodies baked from the "Abernethy Recipe Book", named after James Abernethy (Schoolmaster for 18 years from 1864 and resident, with his family, in the schoolhouse). A gold coin donation to the event would be welcome, especially at 9.30 tea, which this week is being hosted by the Youth Group.



**ABM APPEAL:** Anglican Board of Mission is seeking your assistance through their end of financial year appeal to support assistant efforts in Myanmar and the Philippines. To donate, go to <https://www.abmission.org/appeals/appeals-major/tax2024/>

**SHARING OUR HOPE:** Hope25 is an intentional season for every parish and community in the Anglican Church of Australia to share their hope in Jesus between Easter Day (April 20) and Pentecost Sunday (June 8) 2025.

We are invited to join in other Anglican parishes by prayerfully committing to using this season to share our hope with our neighbours. For more information see the Hope25 website where you can sign up to the email list: <https://www.hope25.com.au/>

*God of Hope,  
you call on us to be your witnesses in this uncertain world;  
by your Spirit awaken in us a true vision of your kingdom,  
a greater certainty of our salvation, and a deeper dedication to your service; that  
through our words and actions the same Spirit may  
bring many who are lost to be found, and for them to celebrate the hope that we  
can only have in Jesus Christ,  
in whose name we pray. Amen*

**ST JOHN'S CARE – SHORT TERM VACANCY:** We are seeking expressions of interest for a three-month Case Manager position, involving engagement with all aspects of our case management program for the wellbeing of our clients. Starts on 10th June. For more information contact: Jason Haines (0466 231 960 or [executive.officer@stjohnscare.org.au](mailto:executive.officer@stjohnscare.org.au)). Applications close **24 May**.

**SAFE MINISTRY TRAINING:** All who serve in the church need to comply with Safe Ministry policies (see <https://anglicancg.org.au/safe-ministries/safe-ministry-unit/safe-ministry-training/>). Training for various modules is being held at St John's on **1 June** (Robertson Room). Please arrive a few minutes early to register.

9am -11am: Safe Ministry Essentials (Module 1)

11:30 am-1.30pm: Safe Ministry with Children (also called Module 2)

2pm – 4pm: Safe Ministry Implementation for Senior Leaders (also called Module 3)

For more info contact Alison Hosking, our Safe Ministries Administrator.

**TIMOR LESTE MISSION:** Our missions team is beginning preparations for the visit to Timor Leste in July. Please keep this group in your prayers. Any donations to help cover costs would be welcome, and can be made via a bank transfer using:

- BSB: 702 389
- A/C Number: 0520 2513

(Please identify as 'Timor'.)

**ST JOHN'S TRAILER:** We are seeking more helpers to empty the church trailer's green waste at the tip. Do you have a tow bar and the ability to do this occasionally (likely no more than once per month)? If so, please contact Helen ([rgwhmw@outlook.com](mailto:rgwhmw@outlook.com)).

**SJC CRAFT SESSIONS:** St John's Care is seeking to set up regular craft sessions. Are you a knitter (or similar) who would like to share your enthusiasm for craft with others? St John's Care would like to hear from you! Please contact Wendy on (02) 6248 7771 or [casemanagement@stjohnscare.org.au](mailto:casemanagement@stjohnscare.org.au).

**FUNDRAISER FOR RICHA:** Friends of Richa William (9.30am service) are raising money to help purchase an insulin pump and other supports to assist with the significant changes she is facing following recent major surgery. Please keep her and her family in your prayers. If you would like to support this fundraiser, go to <https://gofund.me/95738524>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**CUPPACOMALONG:** All are invited to enjoy some refreshments on **Monday 27 May** from 2pm until 4pm in the Robertson Room. This is an opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and to get to know them. We would love to see you there. This month will be hearing a talk by Harold Koch called "A life with language" Queries to Ailsa Curtis 6247 9363

**CHRISTIAN BOOTCAMP:** This year's 'Bootcamp' commences this month. The program is ideal for those (16+) seeking baptism or confirmation, as well as new Christians or enquirers. Our first session ('Who - or What - is God?', **7.30pm, Wednesday 29 May**, in Robertson Room) might help you decide if this is for you. Contact Rev'd Dave ([rector@stjohnscanberra.org](mailto:rector@stjohnscanberra.org)) to register your interest. Flyers with more detail are available in the porch.

**ORDER OF ST LUKE HEALING SERVICE:** St Johns will be hosting a healing service to be conducted by the Order of St Luke on **Sunday 2 June 2024 at 2pm**. The International Order of St. Luke the Physician is an ecumenical organisation dedicated to Christian healing ministry. The service is open to all and will focus on liturgy, readings and prayer that support healing and will be led by Fr. John Gibson assisted by Rev. Chris Murray. After the service, there will be an opportunity for individual prayer for healing. We will be hosting an afternoon tea at the completion of the service. For further information contact Chris on 0433 322 206.

**PATRONAL DINNER:** A dinner to celebrate our Patronal Festival will be held on **Thursday 13 June**. Join members from all congregations from 6pm to 8.30pm for a three-course alternate setting dinner (plus tea and coffee) at the CIT student-run restaurant (next door to St John's). The cost per head is \$40. Book through TryBooking (copy and paste this link to your browser <https://www.trybooking.com/CROGH>) or contact the parish office for payment alternatives. Please book early.

**EQUIP WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:** Feel free to invite friends to join us as we join this video conference, hearing teaching on Revelation 1-5. **Saturday 22 June** from **9:30am** in the Robertson Room. RSVP to Mary de Lautour (<mailto:mary.delautour@stjohnscanberra.org>)



## **Assistance for a family who fell on hard times.**

I first met G a few months ago when she presented to the St John's Centre (SJC) with her three children. G is a single mother who has experienced long term financial discomfort as the sole provider for her family. Despite this, she has always managed to juggle her parental duties and casual employment and give her children a positive life.

Recently, G's youngest child was diagnosed with a debilitating illness which requires term care. G was no longer able to work and spent most of her time at home caring for her child. This loss of income provided a number of challenges for the young family.

G was unable to afford registration costs for the children, she fell behind on the quarterly bills, and the family's pharmacy bill skyrocketed. G explained that she had turned to cheaper options for meals, however she was concerned about the long-term implications that this would have on her children and their health.

G explored the option of applying to receive the carers payment. However the payment is only available to those who are caring for someone for longer than 6 months and she was ineligible. With nowhere to turn and the growing feeling of dread hanging over her,

G reached out for support for the first time in her life. G later described the anxiety and shame that she felt when initially reaching out for support.

'I never thought I would need to reach out for support. I remember walking up the driveway to St John's Care and contemplating turning around and leaving but I am so happy I didn't', she said.

Our staff and volunteers supported G with her pharmacy bills, and some healthier food options including fruit, vegetables and meat. After advocating on G's behalf, we have also arranged for some support caring for her child, allowing G to return to work and alleviating some of the financial stress she was facing.

Through the provision of support, advocacy, and referrals, SJC managed to walk with this family at a crucial time in their life and ensure that they did not fall into a cycle of disadvantage. G's child's health has improved, and we are excited to continue supporting her beyond her recovery. This is just one of the many client stories that would not be possible without the instrumental support we receive from those in our community – thank you.

Kind regards.

Robbie Speldewinde  
Operations Manager

**Items Required:** Pads and tampons, Cup-a-Soup, peanut butter, milo, rice meals

## Upcoming services

### Sunday 19 May

#### Day of Pentecost

**Readings:** Acts 2.1-21 or Ezekiel 37.1-14; Psalm 104.26-36; Romans 8.22-27;  
John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15

- 8am**            **Sung Eucharist**  
**9.30am**        **Family Eucharist** (Kids' Church & Youth Group)  
**11.15am**       **Matins** (1662 Book of Common Prayer)  
**6pm**            **stjohns@6** (Holy Communion)

### Sunday 26 May

#### Trinity Sunday

**Readings:** Isaiah 6.1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8.12-17;  
John 3.1-17

- 7am**            **Eucharist** (1662 Book of Common Prayer)  
**8am**            **Sung Eucharist**  
**9.30am**        **Family Eucharist** (Kids' Church & Youth Group)  
**6pm**            **stjohns@6** (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)

### Sunday 2 June

#### Second Sunday of Pentecost

**Readings:** 1 Samuel 3.1-10 (11-20); Psalm 139.1-6, 13-18; 2 Corinthians 4.5-12;  
Mark 2.23-3.6

- 8am**            **Sung Eucharist**  
**9.30am**        **Family Eucharist** (Kids' Church & Youth Group)  
**11.15am**       **Choral Eucharist** (1662 Book of Common Prayer)  
**6pm**            **stjohns@6** (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)

### Each Wednesday

- 10am**          **Eucharist** (1662 Book of Common Prayer)

For more information: [www.stjohnscanberra.org](http://www.stjohnscanberra.org)

## SUPPORTING THE MINISTRY OF THE PARISH

The best way to support our ministry is to (annually) prayerfully consider an appropriate amount, and then set up automatic regular transfers using our 'giving' account:

**BSB:**702 389      **ACCOUNT:** 0520 9450      **NAME:** St John the Baptist Reid

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# FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT

## The Day of Pentecost

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:4 (NIV)

Based on Acts 2:1-21



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C H J P E Y G H I N T O H F H  
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SPEAK	LANGUAGE	PENTECOST	HEAVEN	BLOWING
SOUND	OTHER	HOLY	SPIRIT	HEAR
FILLED	WIND	FIRE	TONGUES	AMAZED