



# ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH CANBERRA

**9 June 2024**  
**Third Sunday after**  
**Pentecost**

Today's services are at  
7am, 8am, 9.30am, 5.00pm and 6.00pm

Here are my mother and my  
brothers! Whoever does the will of  
God is my brother and my sister and  
my mother.

*Mark 3.34–35*



Today's Old Testament reading from 1 Samuel 8 records the pivotal moment in Israel's history when the people demanded a King. This signalled a transition point in Israel's history, and the creation of an institution that would foreshadow (in a very imperfect way) the Kingdom of God announced by Jesus.

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

## PARISH NOTICES



**Vale Georgina Hall.** With sadness we note the death of former longtime parishioner Georgina Hall. All are welcome to attend Georgina's funeral at St Andrew's Anglican Church, 47 Elrington Street, Braidwood at 11am on Friday 14 June, with committal to follow at the Braidwood cemetery. 'I am the resurrection and the life', says the Lord.



**Patronal dinner: bookings close tonight.** Those who hope to join us at the patronal dinner this Thursday night and who haven't booked, need to do so *today* in order to attend. Book through TryBooking (<https://www.trybooking.com/CROGH> ).

**Bishop Mark visit next Sunday.** Our diocesan Bishop, Rt Rev'd Dr Mark Short, will be visiting next week. Besides preaching at all services, he will also be the guest speaker at our **Friends of St John's** service (held at matins, at 11.15am). His address there will focus on the theme of 'hope'. As usual all are invited to attend the Friends' service, and enjoy refreshments afterwards.

**2024 Heritage Fund Appeal.** Parishioners and friends are invited to donate to this year's Heritage Fund Appeal which aims to restore the pews by removing unsightly scratches and creaky joints and recondition the timber kneelers. Conservation work on the altar rails in the sanctuary and the pulpit will also form part of the project. Donations of \$2 or more to the Heritage Fund are tax deductible. You can donate at [stjohnscanberra.org/giving](http://stjohnscanberra.org/giving). Your support for this year's project would be greatly appreciated. Randall Wilson, Chair of Trustees

**Timor-Leste Mission.** Some participants on our mission trip remain short of the funds necessary to attend. Any donations to help cover costs their would be welcome, and can be made via a bank transfer using:

- BSB: 702 389
  - A/C Number: 0520 2513
- (Please identify as 'Timor'.)

**'Kategoria' Conference.** This conference, run by the Lachlan Macquarie Institute, focusses on the message of Jesus and its engagement with our culture. It will be held in Canberra from 26-30 September, with Christian author and commentator Stephen McAlpine as keynote speaker. More information, including booking details, can be found at <https://kategoria.org.au/>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday 13 June: Patronal Dinner.** Parishioners from all our congregations will gather from **6pm to 8.30pm** for a three-course dinner (plus tea and coffee) at the CIT student-run restaurant (next door to St John's). Bookings required.

**Saturday 15 June: Training for sidespersons and sanctuary team.** There will be a brief but important training session for all *sidesperson/welcomers* at **2pm**, and members of our *sanctuary team* at **3pm**.

**Saturday 22 June: Equip Women's Conference.** Feel free to invite friends to join us for this video conference, hearing teaching on Revelation 1-5. From **9:30am** in the Robertson Room. RSVP to Mary de Lautour ([mary.delautour@stjohnscanberra.org](mailto:mary.delautour@stjohnscanberra.org))

**Sunday 23 June: Patronal Festival.** To celebrate the birth of our patron saint John the Baptist and to express our unity as a parish, there will be *just one service*, in the hall at **9.30am**. This will be followed by games on the lawn for the young (and young at heart). Please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

At **6pm** all are welcome to return for an informal time of singing a mix of old and new worship songs/hymns. (Email your requests to [rector@stjohnscanberra.org](mailto:rector@stjohnscanberra.org).) This will be followed by mulled wine and nibbles in the Robertson Room. Again, attendees are encouraged to bring something to share.

**Tuesday 25 June: Farewell to Kimberley.** Please join us in expressing our thanks to Kimberley for all she has done for our community over the past 9+ years. There will be an afternoon tea at **2pm**. Those who wish to contribute to a gift for Kimberley should use – for this purpose only – the following account: **BSB: 702 389 A/C: 0520 2637**

**Tuesday 2 July: Induction of Dean.** Rev'd Gavin Krebs will be installed as the new Dean of St Saviour's Cathedral at 4pm on Tuesday 2nd of July at 4.00pm. The service of evensong will be followed by a reception in the Cathedral hall. (RSVP by 26 June to [office@goulburncathedral.org.au](mailto:office@goulburncathedral.org.au)).

**Saturday 19 October: Parish Fair.** Our community fair is a highlight of the St John's year. There will be stalls, entertainment, tours of St John's and the grounds, and plenty of activities for the kids. Please ensure this date is in your calendars. Anyone looking to volunteer should contact John Richards ([gjrich@bigpond.net.au](mailto:gjrich@bigpond.net.au)).

## CMS MISSIONS UPDATE - Nathan and Maki Clapham



We last wrote in the midst of snow and now we are well into Spring having experienced the fleeting beauty of the Cherry blossoms. Last month we gave thanks for our CMS pastoral visit, a visit from the minister of our previous church and a gathering of CMS missionaries in Japan. The work in Japan often feels slow, so we are thankful for these times of encouragement.

The winter has finished and suddenly farmers have sprung into action planting their crops. There are cabbage, lettuce, along with peaches and apples trees in our area. Spring feels like the beginning of a new year and with lots of plans ahead we need wisdom in knowing what to prioritise. Pray we might keep making opportunities for evangelism and relationship with our neighbours.

Our team meetings have begun with a good start, alternating between a Bible study and church planning time. We are thankful and excited about the Takeshita family planning to partner with us; pray as we take opportunity to further develop our relationship with social outings and planning for them to join the team meetings.

We met N-san who offered to help us with our garden. As we drank coffee together, it was good to get to know him and some shared interests with Nathan (motorcycles). Please pray for further opportunities to connect and build relationship with him and his family.

Ian's schooling is progressing well; Maki is working to meet people through her Pilates group; Nathan is looking for a community group to join (maybe cycling). It is difficult to find ways to personally connect with people here, so pray we might make the most of every opportunity God provides.

### Prayer points:

- Give thanks for the encouragement and support at a recent CMS Japan gathering with Pastoral Visitors.
- Thanks for the encouragement of a visit from the minister of our previous church
- Thanks for the developing relations with a local family who are planning to partner in Church planting
- Pray for 3 PTC students Nathan meets with as they learn and grow in God's Word
- Pray for Kenji and his wife that they might open to the gospel
- Pray for establishing good patterns of ministry as we continue to make plans
- Continue to pray how we might best run the community café

With love and in gospel partnership,  
Nathan and Maki

## Radford College - Food and Winter Clothing Drive

The stories we tell about our clients each week often involve some dark themes such as domestic violence, homelessness, or the loss of loved ones. However, this week's story has a different tone. Last week St John's Care (SJC) staff attended Radford College to pick up donations which the junior and middle schools had collected across the term.



We were simply blown away by the generosity of the Radford community and were unable to collect the donations in one trip, despite our best efforts. A few days later we returned to pick up another full van load of donations.

As we approach winter, the reliance on our service by vulnerable and disadvantaged members of the community grows, and the incredible support we have received from the

Radford community is both timely, and heartwarming.

Many of our clients who have sought reprieve from the harsh Canberra winter have left our Centre with warm clothes and bags full of grocery items and are so grateful for your support. Thank you!

Kind regards,

Robbie Speldewinde,  
Operations manager

**Items required:** Pasta Sauce, Toilet paper, up and go's, cooking oil



## Upcoming services

### Sunday 16 June

#### Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

**Readings:** 1 Samuel 15.34-16.13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5.6-10 (11-13) 14-17;  
Mark 4.26-34

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

### Sunday 23 June

#### Birth of St John the Baptist - Patronal Festival

**Readings:** Isaiah 49.1-6; Psalm 139.1-11; Acts 13. (16-21) 22-26;  
Luke 1.57-66, 80

- 9.30am**       **Sunday@9.30** (Kids' Church & Youth Group)  
**6pm**            **Singing in the Church** (followed by mulled wine)

### Sunday 30 June

#### Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

**Readings:** 2 Samuel 1.1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8. (1-6) 7-15;  
Mark 5.21-43

- 8am**            **Sung Eucharist**  
**9.30am**       **Sunday@9.30** (Kids' Church & Youth Group)  
**6pm**            **stjohns@6** (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)

### Each Wednesday

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

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## 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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### Israel demands a King

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