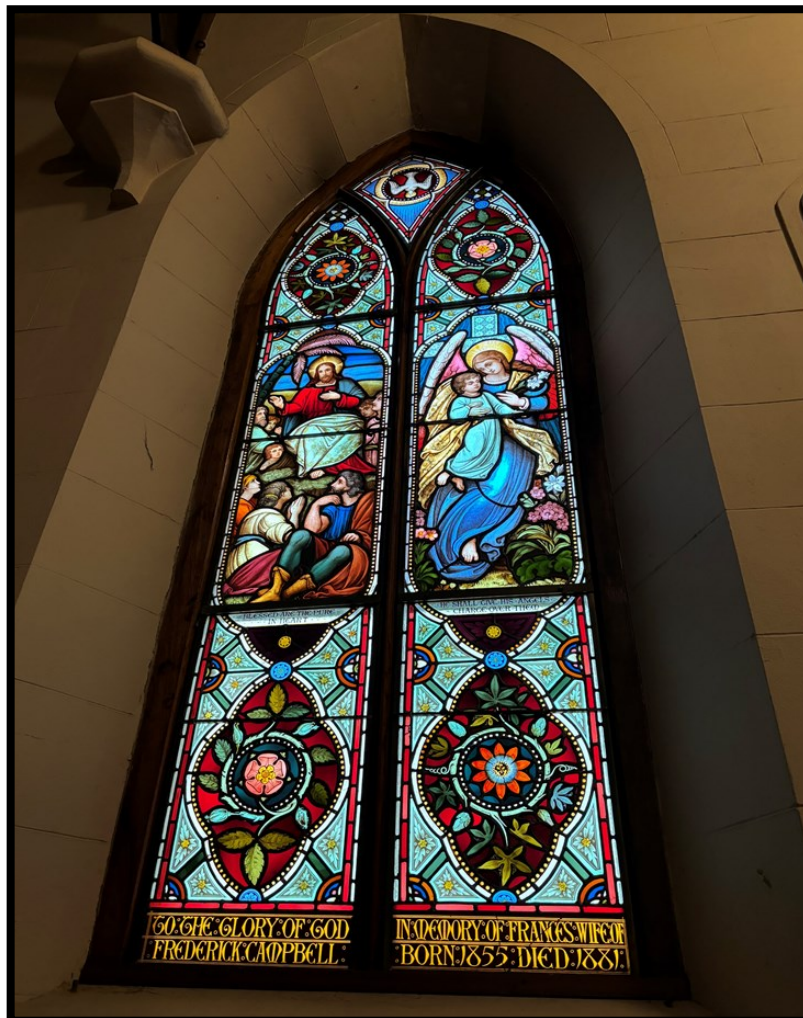


# ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH CANBERRA

**6 October 2024**

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost  
(This week's service times within)

*Whoever does not receive the  
kingdom of God as a little child  
will never enter it.  
(Mark 10.15)*



North facing window at St John 's Anglican Church Canberra

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

## NOTICES



**Rector on leave.** Rev'd Dave is on leave until mid-October. Rev'd Andrew is acting Rector during this period.

**Warning re Scam Emails.** We have had a spate of Scam Emails lately, claiming to be from someone in the Parish (such as Rev'd Dave). Unfortunately, some of our parishioners have also received similar emails as well. Please be vigilant about responding to any unusual emails claiming to be from someone in the Parish. If you are at all unsure about whether such an email is genuine or not, it is best not to respond to it. Please contact the office on 6248 8399 or email us at [admin@stjohnscanberra.org](mailto:admin@stjohnscanberra.org) so we can check whether the email is genuine or not.

**Car Parking at St John's.** Spread the word! We now have 20 new carparking spots to rent to commuters during the week, at \$195 per month (just over \$9 per day). If you or someone you know is interested, there is more info at:-  
<https://www.stjohnscanberra.org/commuter-parking>.

**Young Blokes' Bible Study.** No meeting Monday October 7 (due to public holiday). From **October 14<sup>th</sup>** we'll meet at **Matt and Stephanie Rogerson's starting at 4.30pm.** (Enquiries: Rev'd Andrew.)

**Missed a sermon?** Most weeks, the audio of the Sunday sermon is uploaded to our website. Feel free to re-listen, share with a friend, or connect with us when you are out of town. See <https://www.stjohnscanberra.org/sermons>

**SJC Craft Sessions.** Are you a knitter (or similar) who would like to share your enthusiasm for craft with others? St John's has set up regular 'coffee and craft' sessions, meeting every second Friday, 10am-noon. Please contact Wendy on (02) 6248 7771 or [casemanagement@stjohnscanberra.org.au](mailto:casemanagement@stjohnscanberra.org.au).



**Flatmate Wanted.** St Mark's National Theological Centre is seeking a single female tenant or married couple with mature Christian faith interested in sharing its 3-bedroom residential apartment in Barton with a current occupant and open to helping launch a local Anglican intentional community. Target start date is January 2025, but flexible. Please email [barton.embassy@gmail.com](mailto:barton.embassy@gmail.com) for details.



## UPCOMING EVENTS (\*St John's event)

**Tuesday 8 October: Healing Meeting.** An Invitation is open to all to attend the Healing Meeting at 2.00pm, St David's Anglican Church, Corner of La Perouse & Fortitude Streets, Red Hill. Meetings are conducted as part of the International Order of St. Luke The Physician, an Ecumenical organisation dedicated to the Christian healing ministry. The meeting will focus on teaching and/or prayer. Monthly sessions are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 2.00pm at St David's. Info Fr John Gibson at [gibsonjohn385@gmail.com](mailto:gibsonjohn385@gmail.com) or 0451 681 118.

**\*\*Thursday 10 October: Funeral for Ann Neale.** Ann's funeral service will be held at 11am. All are welcome to attend.



**\*Wednesday 23 October: Guided Eucharist.** Do you wonder why we stand for the gospel reading during a service of Holy Communion? Or why the priest wears a white robe? What is actually happening when we receive the bread and wine? Rev'd Dave is hosting a 'guided Eucharist', to help unpack the significance of this special event in our church life. 7.30pm, in the church. All welcome.

**Wednesday 30 October: St Mark's Open Day.** The idea of service is the heart of Canberra - and the heart of the Christian life. We're planning to equip people who want to get serious about service—in churches, schools, the military, faith based organisations and the church. Join us at 6pm. We'd like to share our ideas for 2025. Register at: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1285922>

**Saturday 2 November: Sons of Korah.** An evening filled with soul-enriching music, heartfelt worship, and jubilant celebration. Purchase your tickets now and join us for an evening of inspiration and reflection as we journey together through the Psalms. 8pm. Book here: [https://sonsofkorah.com/events/?mc\\_cid=91347a35d0&mc\\_eid=eecedbb482](https://sonsofkorah.com/events/?mc_cid=91347a35d0&mc_eid=eecedbb482)

**\*Thursday 7 November: St John's Occasional Seminar: An Overview of the Bible.** Robertson Room, 7.30pm. Does the Bible seem too big, or are its stories and events too fragmented for you? Rev'd Andrew will give a convenient summary of its history, geography, and main themes. Also suitable for anyone to whom Christianity is new or unfamiliar!

**Saturday 16 November: Youth Retreat.** Spend a day at St Saviour's Cathedral in Goulburn resting and growing together in Christ with others aged 18–35. As we explore the theme 'Growing' through liturgies we will join together in guided Eucharist, workshops, prayer, and fellowship. Contact: [st.savioursretreat@gmail.com](mailto:st.savioursretreat@gmail.com)



## SCHOOLHOUSE ACTIVITIES at the PARISH FAIR

### GIVE THE SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM A "FAIR GO" ON THE 19TH OCTOBER !

As always, the Schoolhouse Museum will be open all day for the Parish Fair. This year we are offering some quiet activities in the old Schoolroom, including sewing cards, and a "What's in the Bag? " guessing game. Children are welcome to wear our bonnets, caps, and pinafores while visiting us - what a great photo opportunity for parents!

**THE SCHOOLHOUSE MAYPOLE** will again feature in the Church grounds as a Fair Day activity.

**With this in mind, please note:**

Introductory practice sessions will be held during morning tea **after the 9.30 service on October 6 and 13. Experience of maypole dancing is not needed**, but both adults and children are warmly welcome to learn the basics at these practice times. Then we should have some leaders on Fair Day, in an activity that everyone really enjoyed last year.

***Expressions of interest/attendance at the practice sessions would be useful, but we will also be happy to just welcome you at the times stated above.***

***(Any enquiries to Maureen Brooks : 0424 184 459).***



The Schoolhouse Museum



## Connected once again

K is a man who lives with a chronic autoimmune disease which causes him to rarely leave his home. My first interaction with K was approximately 4 years ago during the lockdown when he called the Centre and asked if we could drop some food to his house. K described his serious health conditions to me, and his concerns about the potentially lethal risk that the pandemic posed. He asked that I wear gloves and a mask whilst packing his food into bags. As well as perishable and non-perishable food items, K requested personal hygiene items, and cleaning supplies.

Since that day, I have regularly provided support to K by dropping food to his front doorstep, only ever seeing him through the window as I drove away. As I built a rapport with him, he began to tell me a little more about himself. He had grown up in Canberra his whole life and described having a relatively normal life, enjoying socialising with friends, and spending time with his family.

Very little was known about his health condition at the time, however K can recall the onset of frequent bouts of illness in his 20's.

At first, he believed he was simply unfortunate and was experiencing a series of colds, however over the next few years and several tests later, he was diagnosed with a life-threatening condition which changed his life forever. During one of our many conversations, K described deep feelings of isolation and loneliness. Although he spoke with his friends and family on the phone, he very rarely saw anyone, and this was something he missed more than anything.

St John's Care purchased a webcam and set it up with a laptop that had been donated to us. During my next visit to K's house, I surprised him with the laptop and called him shortly after to walk him through how to use it. K has since used the laptop everyday to speak with friends and family and wants to thank our supporters for reconnecting him his loved ones and changing his life.

Kind regards,

Robbie Speldewinde  
Operations Manager

**Items required:** Baked Beans, Tinned Spaghetti, Tinned Tomatoes, 1L full cream UHT milk, Large tinned tuna

# Upcoming services

**Sunday 6 October 2024**

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

**Readings:** Job 1.1;2.1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12; Mark 10.2-16

**8am: Sung Eucharist**

**9.30am: Family Eucharist** (Kids Church & Youth Group in recess until 20th October)

**11.15am: Choral Eucharist** (BCP)

**6pm: stjohns@6** (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)

**Sunday 13 October 2024**

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

**Readings:** Job 23.1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22.1-15; Hebrews 4.12-16; Mark 10.17-31

**7am: Eucharist** (BCP)

**8am: Sung Eucharist**

**9.30am: Family Eucharist** (Kids Church & Youth Group in recess until 20th October)

**5pm: Choral Evensong** (BCP)

**6pm: stjohns@6** (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)

**Sunday 20 October 2024**

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

**Readings:** Job 38.1-7; Psalm 104.1-10, 26; Hebrews 5.1-10; Mark 10.(32-34) 35-45

**8am: Sung Eucharist**

**9.30am: Family Eucharist** (Kids Church & Youth Group)

**11.15am: Matins** (BCP)

**6pm: stjohns@6** (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation) Holy Communion

**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:

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## FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT

### Let the Children Come Word Search

# Let the Children Come

He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Mark 10:14b (NIV)



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