



Rosefield
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Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing
Sunday 10 October 2021

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Don't forget
to sign in!



Readings

10th October

Job 23: 1-9,16-17

Psalms 22: 1-15

Heb 4: 12-16

Mark 10: 17 - 31

17th October

Job 38: 1- 7, (34-41)

Psalms 104: 1-9,24,35c

Hebrews 5: 1-10

Mark 10: 35 - 45

G'day folks,

I hope you all had a wonderful time whilst I was on leave. I have heard fantastic things about the two services I missed. It is lovely to be part of a community with so many who are willing to use their gifts and skills to benefit the whole. This Sunday, we begin our Gifted Generosity program. This is another opportunity to reflect on the ways you all use your gifts and skills for the benefit of the whole.

Over the month, we will hear a few stories from people about what the congregation means to them and how they contribute. This month is an opportunity for you to reflect on your contribution to the life and witness of the congregation. On Saturday the 16th, we have an extraordinary prayer vigil organised (I have had a sneak peek at the material Peter Blanksby has put together — phenomenal, seriously phenomenal).

As you know, I spent some time recently on retreat. One of the principles of such a retreat is listening. Listening to the Spirit, to the body and to the land. As I listened, I found myself wanting to speak, wanting to answer before listening to the question. It is an exercise in quietening ones mind or misquote the Benedictine rule to tune into the heart's ear to the Spirit.

This month of Gifted Generosity is primarily an exercise in listening to the Spirit. Listening to how you are being invited to participate in ministry and mission here at Rosefield. I encourage everyone to reflect on their role within the life of this community. I encourage you to engage deeply with the resources the committee has produced. I encourage you to listen to the Spirit, the body and the land.

Blessings,

Richard

Phishing: Friends, from time to time churches are targets for phishing attacks. These are emails that look like they come from us, usually seeking a favour or some such thing. Be careful. Always check the email address that is sending it. We are being targeted again. If anyone received an email claiming to be from Richard seeking a favour, please report and block it. It would be helpful if you let Richard or Lorraine know that you received it. We are going to ask our IT specialist to come and help protect us.



Church Picnic
Sunday, October 31st 2021
11am ish (after Church)
Watch this space for more details!!

PASTORAL CARE



Gifted Generosity prayer vigil – Saturday, 16th October

A prayer vigil will be held at the church next Saturday, 16th October, as part of our Gifted Generosity program. The prayer vigil will be an opportunity to reflect on God's generosity to us and our response to God's generosity.

The church will be open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm on Saturday, and you might like to come to the church for 30 to 60 minutes sometime during the day. There will be a printed prayer vigil guide for use during your time of reflection. The guide is available in the foyer today for those who would like to use it during their own time of reflection at home.

Please put your name on the prayer vigil roster in the foyer (for both coming to the church or for spending time in reflection at home). More than one person can sign up for a time slot.

ROSEFIELD PRAYER MEETING - 8:00am Wednesday mornings (online)

A half-hour time of prayer for our church and community. Come online at 8:00 am on Wednesday mornings if you would like to be part of praying for our church, or if you would like prayer (for yourself or someone else) or would like to pray for something on your heart. Everyone is welcome. Scott Hutchinson and Rob Rodenburg.

Go to: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9607672787?pwd=ZVJZeWVPRUlvR2xuZENQVjJlcWk0dz09>

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHANGE OF DATE

Women's Breakfast will be on **October 12th** and the Host is Helen Mills and our Speaker is Jean Hutchinson. Carpooling at the Church at 7.10am SHARP.

Rosefield Men's Breakfast – next Tuesday, 7:15 am, 12th October

Men's breakfast will meet on Tuesday in the church foyer. Our speaker will be Kym Millard, who will share some of his life journey. Kym is a senior magistrate and a long term member of the Rosefield congregation. All men of the Rosefield community are welcome: 7:15 am in the church foyer.

Saturday Nighters will be on **Oct 16th** **At the Church (probably in the back room or outside)** Hosts will be **Bronwyn McCallum and Carol Packwood**. Theme for the night "Travelling with Carol Behind the lens" please ring Carol on 0410 030 200 to advise if you are bringing a Savoury or Sweet dish.

Oberammergau Passion Play Tour -2022

Have you ever wanted to go to Oberammergau to see the world-renowned Passion Play. Held in the tiny German Town of Oberammergau, the whole community is involved in putting on this event, every 10 years. Due to COVID-19 the play was postponed in 2020 until 2022 and is now going ahead.

The trip organised for 2020 will now happen in 2022, provided ScoMo lets us leave and return. There are a few spots left on the trip, so if you are interested, please speak to Dianne Peberdy about joining the group. Please see the flyer on the notice board for details



Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

Rosefield Uniting Church is again participating in packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Brochures there are some boxes still available this week in the church foyer. Please take one and return it to Rosefield Uniting Church Office by Sunday 24th October (NEXT SUNDAY!) Any questions please see Lorraine Schroder. Thank you in advance!

The Grove Op Shop Thank you-

Thank you all for your generous donations for the Grove Uniting Church. With your help we are able to help feed over 100 families a week. Your on going support means food relief is able to meet the needs of vulnerable people and remind them they are loved. Your generosity also enables the volunteers to feel supported by a wider community in the dedicated job they do. Jem Gallagher from The Grove Op Shop.

St Chad's Forum

When: Wednesday 20th October, Time: doors open 6.30pm for a 7pm Start finishing at 9pm, Cost: Gold Coin
Where: St Chad's Anglican Church, Cheltenham Street, Highgate.

What we'll do

The speaker will be Dr James Hopeward né Ward, Associate Professor in Environmental Engineering, UniSA STEM. (*also Keith Chiveralls son-in-law!*) Dr Hopeward's research focuses on 'big-picture sustainability problems such as the limits to the planet's energy supplies, climate change and economic growth'. He was a lead author on the UN's 6th Global Environmental Outlook Report (<https://www.unep.org/global-environment-outlook>), a founding member of the Wellbeing Economy Alliance (<https://wellbeingeconomy.org/>) and a past National President of Sustainable Population Australia (<https://population.org.au/>). Dr Hopeward will speak for around forty-five minutes, followed by audience questions and brief comments, moderated by the Chair to ensure open and respectful discussion.