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# Christ Church Cathedral and St Peter's Hamilton



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*Weekly News Sunday 2 August 2020*  
**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



*Jacob wrestling with the angel from BL Royal 1 D X, f. 74v*

*Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting*

## Today's Services at the Cathedral

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## *Dear Parish Family,*

By now you may have heard the news that Lisa Cater, our wonderful Parish Office Manager and my PA, is leaving us to begin a new career working with Allambi Care in Disability & Youth Support. As I said on Sunday, it's with mixed feelings that I received Lisa's resignation: sadness because we will miss Lisa, her wonderful skills and cheerful warmth and friendship, but also happiness as Lisa is able to take the opportunity to share her skills in a wonderful way. I know that she has been greatly moved by the many emails that she has received this week, expressing your own response to the news. Lisa's last day with us will be Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August.

I'm looking forward to our first Families@Five service back in the Cathedral on Saturday (1<sup>st</sup> August) evening. My thanks to Veronica and the Family Ministry Team for all they have put in place to ensure that this is a safe environment for all.

I am also very thankful to all the clergy who share in the ministry of the weekday Eucharists at the Cathedral. Canon Garry Dodd (Monday), The Rev'd Dr Julia Perry (Tuesday), Bishop Peter Stuart (Wednesday), Fr Philip Thirlwell (Thursday), join with me (Friday) in sharing this wonderful ministry. As I said last week, if you would like to come to worship but are rightly cautious about large gatherings, these 8.30am Eucharists are ideal for those looking for a smaller, shorter service. Registration for these weekday morning Cathedral Eucharists is on arrival.

Thank you for continuing to register for Sunday worship at the Cathedral, and Tuesday and Thursday worship at St Peter's Hamilton. If you forget to register, you can still attend (provided we haven't reached capacity!), by registering on arrival.

Please continue to hold our Choirs and musicians in your prayers, and please consider supporting the ministry of our musicians by a financial gift to the Music Fund. You can enjoy our choir's music on the Choir's YouTube channel [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj1uCQsfG7Ek4NLW\\_SJzvRQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj1uCQsfG7Ek4NLW_SJzvRQ) and each week, the choir's blogger adds a reflection to assist our prayerfulness <https://newcastlecathedralchoir.wordpress.com/>. The Sunday Eucharists, and daily offices can also be found on our Cathedral YouTube channel.

If you heard my sermon last weekend, you'll now that I am finding this journey through Genesis a rich source of reflection. Malcolm Guite's poem leads us to reflect on this week's Old testament passage.

### **Jacob Wrestles with the Angel**

I dare not face my brother in the morning,  
I dare not look upon the things I've done,  
Dare not ignore a nightmare's dreadful warning,  
Dare not endure the rising of the sun.  
My family, my goods, are sent before me,  
I cannot sleep on this strange river shore,  
I have betrayed the son of one who bore me,  
And my own soul rejects me to the core.

But in the desert darkness one has found me,  
Embracing me, He will not let me go,  
Nor will I let Him go, whose arms surround me,  
Until he tells me all I need to know,  
And blesses me where daybreak stakes it's claim,  
With love that wounds and heals; and with His name.

*Malcolm Guite*

**With my thanks and prayers.**

**Dean Katherine**

***Ps: We are (still) aware of a continuing issue with emails going to the Junk folder of gmail accounts. If someone isn't receiving these emails, please check if they have a gmail account and ask them to check their Junk or Spam folders. Thank you!*** We are also physically mailing the pewsheet and these resources each week to those without internet access. If you know of anyone who would like to receive this by mail, please contact the Cathedral office.

#### ***Some Practicalities about attending worship:***

From 24 July, our congregation sizes can be no greater than 100 for most services and are determined by the "four square metre rule". ***The requirement to keep a register with contact details of all who attend a service of public worship remains unchanged.***

Information on how to register to attend worship is found below.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

*Please contact Dean Katherine if you have any questions or concerns.*

## **Worship Times:**

### ***At the Cathedral:***

**Sunday** – 8.00am and 11.00am.

To attend please contact the Parish Office

(02) 4929 2052 or email

[cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au](mailto:cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au) (Monday–Friday) or contact

Dean Katherine 0407 201 693.



**Monday – Friday:** there will be Morning Prayer at 8.00am and Mass at 8.30am in the St Christopher Chapel. Please enter through the transept door and register on arrival.

### ***At St Peter's Hamilton:***

**Tuesday and Thursday** at 11.00am.

To register, please call Jenny on 0499 983 336 by 6.00pm

on the day before the service/s you wish to attend.



For more information about our safe return-to-church practices,  
please visit:

<https://www.newcastleanglican.org.au/corona-virus-response/covid19-safe-return-to-church/>

**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES:** Thank you for your faithful stewardship which supports the mission and ministry of the parish. New sets of stewardship envelopes are available at St Peter's and through the Cathedral Office. Now is also an opportunity to move to regular online giving, if you haven't already done so, and more information about electronic giving is included further in the pewsheet.



*Today's Flowers* have been kindly donated by *Pauline Chambers* in loving memory of her husband, *Roy Chambers* and her cousin *Robert Griffiths*.

**NEW JULY 2020:**



## **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:**

Our concern is for the health and wellbeing of all people who come to this church. Together we can help make our community and our church COVID-19 safe.

By entering this church, you acknowledge that there remains a risk that you may contract COVID-19.

**We ask that you:**

- Please do not attend if you are feeling unwell.
- Please do not attend if you have returned from overseas within the last 14 days.
- Please do not attend if you have returned from a Government listed COVID-19 hotspot within the last 14 days.
- Please do not attend if you have been in contact with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- Please consider your personal situation including any pre-existing medical conditions or whether you fall within a high-risk category to determine if additional personal precautions should be taken.

This Church is part of the *Anglican Diocese of Newcastle*. For further details regarding our *COVID-19 safety plan*, please visit our website:  
[newcastleanglican.org.au/corona-virus-response](http://newcastleanglican.org.au/corona-virus-response)

*Thank you for your understanding as we implement COVIDSafe worship practices.*

**Stewardship:** In this time, the best way to exercise our stewardship, to support the work of the parish, is through electronic giving. Our stewardship is an expression of our thankfulness to God, offering as we have received. Could I encourage you please, if you do not already give electronically to support the work of the parish, that you begin to do so during this time.

Name: Electronic Giving Account

BSB: 705-077

Account: 00040917 (please include all 8 digits)

*Please include your Initial & Surname in the reference line, if required.*

If you would like information on how you can contribute to the Music Fund, Missions, and other ministries, please contact the parish office so we can share those details with you. Thank you for your generosity, which supports ministry now and in the future.

## ONLINE SERVICES THIS WEEK

The Weekly and mid-week Eucharists and the Morning and Evening offices continue to be distributed online via **You Tube** and **Facebook** at **8.30am** and **5.30pm** each day.

We encourage you to share these resources widely during this time.

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| Monday 3 August                                                | 8.30am<br>5.30pm | The Reverend Nicole Baldwin<br>Archdeacon Arthur Copeman                |
| Tuesday 4 August<br><i>John Baptist Vianney, priest of Ars</i> | 8.30am<br>5.30pm | The Reverend Canon Mark Watson<br>The Right Reverend Charlie Murry      |
| Wednesday 5 August<br><i>Oswald, King and martyr</i>           | 8.30am<br>5.30pm | The Right Reverend Dr Peter Stuart<br>Archdeacon Arthur Copeman         |
| Thursday 6 August<br><i>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD</i>    | 8.30am<br>5.30pm | The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer<br>The Right Reverend Sonia Roulston |
| Friday 7 August                                                | 8.30am<br>5.30pm | The Reverend Canon Janet Killen<br>The Reverend Canon Michael Davies    |
| Saturday 8 August<br><i>Dominic, Priest and friar</i>          | 8.30am<br>5.30pm | The Reverend Angela Peverell<br>Archdeacon Rod Bower                    |

**Donations for Flowers** - to donate flowers **in memory of a loved one** or as a **thank-offering**, please advise Suzanne Evans on 4955 9170 and place your donation in an envelope listing the date for display and include a message and place in the wall safe.

**Flowers are required for August 30 and September 6, 13 & 27.**



The **health and safety** of all workers, volunteers and participants attending our sites is paramount. The increase in the numbers of parishioners that are now able to attend sites brings some additional complexities in moving people safely into and out of our buildings.

### Requirements of the Parish:

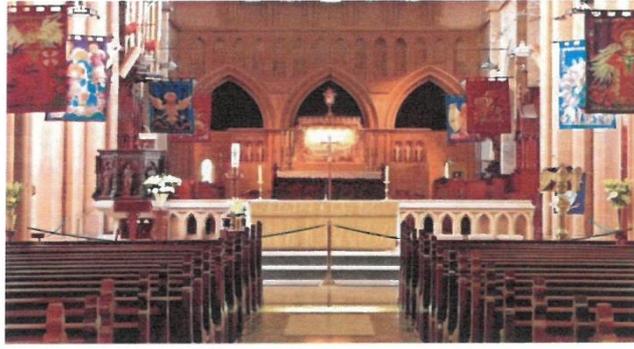
#### Entry

- ✓ The church site will not open until 15 minutes before the service. Any access to the site should remain closed until this time.
- ✓ On booking, parishioners must be advised that they should proceed directly to the entry point of the building and not to gather in the carpark or waiting area.
- ✓ A designated entry point should be established, and parishioners asked to social distance while moving into the building.
- ✓ An authorised representative must be designated to direct parishioners to their seats. This will ensure that social distancing is complied with and only the allocated seating is used.
- ✓ The parish must develop a plan to move parishioners safely into their allocated seating. This plan must include details of what order seats will be filled to avoid pushing past occupied seating.

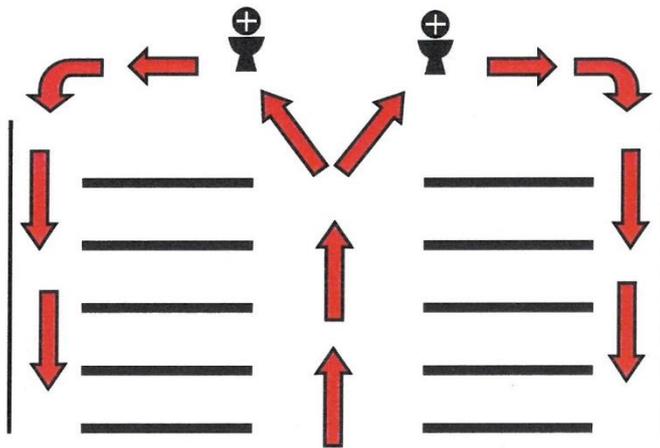
#### Exiting

- ✓ At the conclusion of the service the Incumbent, Churchwarden or Authorised Representative must direct parishioners on how to safely leave the building.
- ✓ The whole congregation should not leave the building at the same time, small groups should be asked to leave with the groups closest to the exit point leaving first.
- ✓ The church site will be closed 15 minutes after the service. A reminder must be provided to leave the site directly after the service. This should be monitored by the Churchwarden or Authorised Representative.

## Directions for communion



There will be two stations for communion. As you come forward, form a single line in the central aisle and maintain appropriate physical distance. Return to your seat via the side aisles. Please wait to be invited forward.



Message from the Samaritans: **WINTER APPEAL 2020** Samaritans

*In this unusual time there is a greater need for your support*



**\$25**

could contribute to a counselling session for a child recovering from trauma.



**\$50**

could give emergency assistance to a woman fleeing domestic violence.



**\$100**

could contribute to a support worker for a NSW family living in poverty.

**"On many occasions before, Samaritans and the Diocese of Newcastle have come together to support our communities as they face crisis. I think you can agree with me, as a community we've never faced a crisis quite like COVID-19".**

**- Brad Webb, Samaritans CEO.**

***A generous donation to Samaritans Winter Appeal by June 30 will ensure our vital support services continue operating.***

**To Donate: [www.samaritans.org.au/donate](http://www.samaritans.org.au/donate) or Phone 02 4960 7100.**

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**We have taken measures to ensure that the Cathedral is a safe environment for all. All who work with children or youth have completed Safe Ministry Training and all clergy, staff and volunteers are subject to strict employment measures such as working with children checks. The Cathedral is committed to being a place where survivors of abuse experience care and support. For a confidential discussion, please call or email the Director of Professional Standards 1800 774 945 [dps@newcastleanglican.org.au](mailto:dps@newcastleanglican.org.au) or [survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au](mailto:survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au)**

In addition to the excellent reflections by our Choir Blogger, and the Reflection on a Page each week as part of our 'Worshipping and Praying together as a community dispersed', the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) has a weekly reflection -

<https://www.abmission.org/resources.php?action=list-items&catId=3>. The reflections this quarter are written by Robert McLean, ABM Partnerships Coordinator. Here is this week's reflection.

**Ordinary Sunday 18 [Pentecost 9] – Sunday 2 August 2020**

Genesis 32.22-31; Psalm 17.1-7, 16;

Romans 9.1-8, [9-16]; Matthew 14.13-21

Today we read of Jacob's strange wrestling match and subsequent renaming as Israel. Having tricked his father-in-law Laban into giving him the best flocks as he took his polygamous family back to his own home in Canaan, Jacob finds himself left on one side of the river wrestling with a man he later realizes is God. The river, Jabbok (Wadi Zerqa), flows into Jordan about 40 km north of the Dead Sea. There is word-play here on the name of the river: 'abaq in Hebrew sounds much like Jacob. The match is won by God who causes Jacob to limp, as a sign of God's power over humans, but spares his life, as a sign of mercy. God's renaming of Jacob means that he is to give up his life as a shyster and become the father of the Jewish people.

Pray that God would reward those who wrestle with their faith with a clearer vision of all things that appear to be mystical or incomprehensible.

Give thanks for the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

Text: Robert McLean © Anglican Board of Mission, 2020

## From the Cathedral's Director of Music, Peter Guy...

I don't aim to be sacrilegious in these little paragraphs on music, but if ever there was a relationship akin to John the Baptist/Jesus in music, it must surely be that between the two German greats of the 17th/18th centuries, Buxtehude and JS Bach. Such was Buxtehude's influence on the younger JS Bach that the latter (anecdotally!) travelled 250 miles on foot from his home in Arnstadt to hear the master, Buxtehude, in Lubeck, even staying far longer than his pre-arranged leave had allowed. I'm quite certain Bach landed in hot water with the church authorities for this, and I'm even more certain that, should Buxtehude have lived long enough to witness the full maturity of Bach's genius, he would have commented that he were not worthy to untie the straps on the young maestro's sandals!

Today's postlude is the Prelude in G minor of Buxtehude. In this work you can hear something of the "fantastic" style that would have appealed so greatly to a young Bach. Unlike Bach's later Preludes and Fugues, Buxtehude's output of this type follows a multi-sectional style, intertwining "free" passages with those of the more strict contrapuntal/fugal style. We can but thank God that Bach chose to overstay his leave and spend more time with Buxtehude. Without that experience, I'm sure that Bach would not have truly become Bach!

Now that I'm settled back in from some time away, I've had a chance to upload the next instalment of music on the choir's YouTube page. I'll keep it a surprise for now, but you'll want your volume up, especially if you love Welsh hymns! <https://youtu.be/QmHu42af59o>



**Mainly Music is currently in recess** - Please check our Cathedral Ministry Facebook page and our Cathedral Facebook for fun activities and resources you can do at home!

**Cathedral Community Lunches:** The Cathedral Community Lunches Program is continuing to offer a hot meal **every second Sunday at 12.30pm** as a **'take away'** option from the Horbury Hunt Hall. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers who are ensuring this important outreach program continues to operate. **The next community lunch take away will be this Sunday, August 2.**

***Missions.....*** Thank you for your continuing support for ABM and our Mission balance for this year is \$2,200.

ABM supports Anglican Partners around the world. This year we are supporting Newton Theological College in New Guinea however, due to the Covid-19 crisis ABM is working with other Christian Missionary organisations in our world mission. For more information, please visit the ABM website: <https://www.abmission.org/pages/end-covid-for-all.html>



### END COVID FOR ALL

We're excited to be part of a new campaign, #EndCOVIDForAll. Together let's encourage our leaders to ensure vulnerable nations don't get left behind during this current crisis.

***I believe Australia should provide vital support to vulnerable nations***

Our support and help is needed more than ever for ABM's Anglican Church Partners throughout the world. The website contains all the latest news and as we are no longer able to distribute our monthly envelopes, the following ways are available for giving to Missions.

***Cheques can be posted to PO Box 221 NEWCASTLE NSW 2300***

***Or by on-line giving***

***Name: Missions Account BSB: 705077 Account: 00041087***

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Please send any notices for inclusion  
in the pew sheet to [cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au](mailto:cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au)  
by 9am on Tuesday

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