

Keeping in touch ... Sunday 11th August 2024

Welcome to our Worship Service. If you're visiting, please join us in the hall afterwards for tea/coffee and a chat!

Sunago The next one is at 6pm **tonight**. Please BYO meal.

Workshop with Rev. Dr. Sally Douglas UCA minister/theologian and academic, based on her book [The Church as Salt](#) . The final session via Zoom is **today** the **11th August** from 4pm to 6pm. Please note: even if you haven't attended any of the Zoom sessions, you are still very welcome to go to the workshop at Craieburn UCA on Saturday 24th August.
Contact Rev. Fa'amata'u with any queries.

The Zoom link is here:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85263972515?pwd=izUFY97lcsWlt5Y1fsx7ngYvIwFEDp.1> Meeting ID: 852 6397 2515, Passcode: 675335.

Or listen to the podcast here:

<https://youtu.be/ivSp0Je1Mhs?si=psTm9kXjILjKqJOP>

The links can also be found in the Google Group emails sent by Fa'amata'u on the 6th July, or 'live' in this and previous pdf copies of *Keeping in Touch* which I (Helen H) send out via that email group. The newsletters are also available for viewing or downloading on our church website.

Sunbury Family History & Heritage Society The next meeting is at 1.30pm on **Thursday 15th August** in Meeting Room 5, Hume Global Learning Centre (temporary venue while Senior Cit's building is being refurbished). Anyone is welcome to attend.

Pernaperna Group The next meeting is **Thursday 22nd August** from 1-3pm at the Sunbury Neighbourhood House (531 Elizabeth Drive). All welcome. *Enquiries to Joan Koren on 0418 302 676.*

Warm Winter Wednesday This group happens in the Drop-in Centre **every Wednesday** during winter from 11.30am to 2pm to serve a hot lunch to those in need. *Enquiries to Di Moon.*

KYB (Know Your Bible) meets at Pat Hay's home **every Thursday** at 10am for a cuppa, chat and Bible Study, until approximately 12pm. *If you'd like to join, or just visit now and then, please speak to Pat.*

Contemplative Prayer Group We gather on the **2nd and 4th Fridays** at 9.30am for a time of quiet prayer for our church family. Next one will be on **Friday 23rd August** at Unit 1, 5 Timins Street. *Barb Ashley.*

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August Birthdays



20 Judy Unwin **30** Doris Bremner
Do you know of any others in August?



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- every Mon and Sat
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The Drop-in Centre is open **every Friday** from 10am to 2.30pm. Drop in for a free cuppa and chat, and browse our many good quality books – for sale from 50c to \$2. Enquiries to Jan Semmens on 0400 404 901.

Men's Group meets **monthly** on **first Saturdays** from 10am-12pm in the Drop-in Centre over coffee and toast to relax and chat – about anything! Enquiries to Peter Canning 0478 777 400.

Uniting Winter Appeal Those in need of support this winter might be closer to home than you think - like a family at your local primary school, a local grandparent who doesn't want to worry their children, even your friendly postie. More than half of Australians struggling to make ends meet are suffering in silence. They need warmth, not just a hot meal or woolly jumper, but the warm embrace of their community. This winter, please help **share the warmth** and provide hope to those who need it.

Envelopes will be available until the end of August on each foyer bench and in the new (August) edition of Crosslight. **Uniting**

If you'd like a receipt, please fill in your details on the envelope and place it in the offering bag during any Service. Cash is acceptable, or a cheque payable to 'Uniting'. **Thank you!for sharing with those in need this winter.**

Rosters for Sunday 18th August

Door: D. Moon, G. Warne

Morning Tea: C. Ely, C. Prosser

Readings for Sunday 18th August - Jesus: bread of life

1 Kings 2: 10-12, 3: 3-14 Psalm 111 Ephesians 5: 15-20 John 6: 51-58

News ... Notes ... Advance Diary Dates ... Community Events

'This day in history' Next Saturday 17th August will mark 120 years since the foundation stone of the church was laid by Mrs. (John) Duncan (17th Aug 1904).

Recycling updates

1. Hume Clean Days The next one is 8am-4pm on **Saturday 7th September**. You can take the following items to the Sunbury Resource Recovery Centre (515 Riddell Road) free of charge:

- mattresses and couches
- tyres
- whitegoods (fridges, washing machines, dryers etc.)
- e-waste (TVs, computers, printers, DVDs, CDs, speakers, sound equipment, DVD players, video recorders, mobile phones, appliances)

Further details at <https://hume.vic.gov.au/wasteoptions> .

2. Hume City Council is making it easier for residents to get rid of their hard waste and other items that can't go in household bins. Tip passes are now being phased out and replaced with flexible waste vouchers that can be used for 3 different services. Instead of 2 tip passes and 2 hard waste collections each year, you will have 5 waste vouchers that can be used to drop off waste at a Resource Recovery Centre (above), book a hard waste collection or use their new service, the bundled branch (tree) collections. All you need is proof of address, such as drivers licence or utility bill. (This information was in the recycling pack that came with your new 'green' bin if you received one, or search the Hume website under 'new waste vouchers'.)

3. Did you know? (I didn't!) I've just learned from an RACV email that discarded electric blankets are considered e-waste and can be taken to any facility that collects this type of recycling. I've verified this on the phone with the RRC above who said "anything with a power cord is e-waste"!

Recycling Corner

Use the recycling trolley in the foyer for the following:

- old biros and textas
- medication blisters
- milk bottle tops
- bread bag tags – plastic only (**NO** tea bag tags, ring pulls please)
- old glasses (spectacles)
- CDs and DVDs (not plastic cases)
- all coffee/Slurpee cups, plastic straws and lids – *or take to 7-Eleven in Gap Road*
- used postage stamps – Joycelyn and Reg collect for Sammy Stamp
- toner/ink cartridges, batteries, small electrical devices
- mobile phones and chargers, to support Melbourne Zoo's 'Gorilla Doctors' program in East Africa



Use the big plastic container for:

- 10c containers such as:



– see flyers on the recycling trolley.

The other side of the story is to BUY recycled:

The other side of recycling is to try to buy products made from recycled materials, in order to create a relevant market. Without a market, the recycled material has to go to landfill.

Check out these websites:

<https://littleecoshop.com.au>

www.onyalife.com/products

www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled

