



Keeping in touch ... Sunday 18th August 2024

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

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.

Workshop with Rev. Dr. Sally Douglas UCA minister/theologian and academic, based on her book [The Church as Salt](#). The workshop at Craigieburn UCA will take place next **Saturday 24th August**. Even if you haven't attended any of the Zoom sessions, you are still very welcome to attend this session. Contact Rev. Fa'amata'u with any queries.

Monthly 2pm Service Our next one is on **Sunday 25th August**. All welcome.

Victoria Welsh Choir St. Mary's Anglican Church will be hosting the Victoria Welsh Choir for a concert on **Saturday 31st August** at 2pm, with all funds raised going towards the restoration of the historic chapel roof. Tickets are \$40 adults and \$35 concession and can be purchased here <https://www.trybooking.com/CTHFO>

Quiet Day Our next one will be held on **Saturday 14th September** from 10am to 3pm at 'The White Goose' (old Uniting Church – 3 Sutherlands Road, Riddells Creek). Lunch, tea/coffee and light snacks will be provided. For full information, take a flyer from the foyer bench and/or contact Barb Ashley on 0410 439 724.

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 at 9.30am on the **2nd and 4th Fridays** at Unit 1, 5 Timins Street for a time of quiet prayer for our church family. Enquiries to Barb Ashley.

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.

August Birthdays



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



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The Minister's days off are:

- every Mon and Sat
- every 3rd Fri and 3rd Sun
- 5th Sun when it occurs

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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 25th August

Door: P. Baulch, C. Ely

Morning Tea: C. Simpson, C. Grant

Readings for Sunday 25th August - Jesus: bread of life

1 Kings 8: (1-6, 10-11), 22-30, 41-43

Psalm 84

Ephesians 6: 10-20

John 6: 56-69

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

'This day in history' Yesterday 17th August marked 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 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

