

# Keeping in touch . . . Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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

**Monthly 2pm Service** Our next one is today **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April**. All welcome.

**Kay's Fashion Parade** will happen at our church at 1.30pm on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**. Admission of \$5 includes afternoon tea and door prize. Invite your friends!! Enquiries to Robyn on 0423 277 450.



**Men's Group** A new group for men will commence in the Drop-in Centre on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May**. It will meet monthly from 10am to 12pm over coffee and toast. We will chat about current events, local activities and anything else that comes up. Enquiries to Peter Canning on 0478 777 400.

**Australia's Biggest Morning Tea (ABMT)** will be part of our morning tea **next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May**. If you can help by bringing a plate of morning tea, please let Carole know or give her a call on 0427 993 795. If you can't make it on the day but would like to donate, go to [www.biggestmorningtea.com.au](http://www.biggestmorningtea.com.au) and type *Carole Simpson* where it says 'find a friend' **OR** if you prefer to donate in cash, please give it to Carole before the day.



**Sunbury Chaplaincy update and request** Nancy Prewer and I (Helen Hall) are still the 'Sunbury Chaplaincy Support Group' (no other members). We are no longer fundraising because the Sunbury schools are supporting themselves by bridging any gap after government funding. We do still keep in touch with our Chaplains, monitoring their roles and any changes. The schools with an active Chaplaincy role are: **Sunbury West PS, Sunbury Heights PS, Kismet Park PS and Red Rock Christian College**. Killara PS has also asked for a Chaplain but so far no applications have been received by Korus Connect (formerly Access Ministries) [www.korusconnect.org.au](http://www.korusconnect.org.au). We recently received the following request from **Richard Kolega** (Korus NE Regional Manager) :

*"I am sending out a prayer request for Killara PS which was successful in gaining NSW funding for 2024-27 and is now seeking a Chaplain 1½ days per week. We have been advertising this role for several months now and have not had a single applicant. We would really like to see this new school have a Chaplain. As we are instructed in Matthew 9:37-38, please pray that a suitable applicant would be raised up to fill this role."*

If you know of anyone who might be interested in a 1½ day role, please pass on Richard's contact details [rkolega@korusconnect.org.au](mailto:rkolega@korusconnect.org.au) / 0413 838 616. This school is receiving the government funding but is missing out on the valuable contribution of a Chaplain to their students' wellbeing!

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## April Birthdays



5 Joycelyn Young    7 Margaret Weate  
8 Pat Bond        14 Margaret Woolcock  
16 Jan Morison    20 Chris Prosser  
29 Joy (Elwyn) Davis



### Minister

Rev. Fa'amata'u Leota 0401 592 359  
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The Minister's days off are:

- every Mon and Sat
- every 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sun when it occurs

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**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.*

**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.*

**Fundraising update** – amounts raised since the 10<sup>th</sup> March:

★ Jan's Jams	\$ 47.00
★ Jeanette's 10c containers	\$ 76.10
★ Jacquie's cards	\$ 22.00
★ SunFest	<u>\$3,301.00</u>
	<b><u>\$3,446.10</u></b>

Congratulations to everyone on all your hard work and a very successful Sunfest! *Nancy Prewer*

**Restoration Fund coin containers** Please get your coin containers ready to bring back to church soon – more details next week.

### Rosters for Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

**Door:** B. Ashley, J. Unwin

**Morning tea:** C. Morgan, C. Marlow

### Readings for Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Acts 10: 44-48

Psalm 98

1 John 5: 1-6

John 15: 9-17

### News ... Notes ... Advance Diary Dates

➤ **Pentecost Sunday Combined Service** A regional churches combined Service will take place at 2pm on **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May** at St. John's Uniting Church in Essendon. This will give us the opportunity to join with different cultures and share spiritual insights from many leaders in our community. A bus has been arranged for transport.

➤ **Quiet Day** The next one is on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May** from 10am to 3pm. *More information coming soon, or see Barb Ashley.*

## 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
- 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 – 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](http://www.onyalife.com/products)

[www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled](http://www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled)



**ANZAC DAY** is the anniversary of the World War 1 landing of the *Australia and New Zealand Army Corps* on Gallipoli in 1915. It is a day to remember those who were killed or injured, fought, lost loved ones, and those who were widowed or orphaned by war.



In both NZ and Australia, the tradition of ANZAC Day acknowledges both the sacrifice of those who sought to save the peace, as well as recognising the suffering and futility of war. It is a day to give thanks for freedom, and pray that peace may be a reality in every country of the world.

