

Keeping in touch ... Sunday 5th May 2024

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

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea (ABMT)

Join us for morning tea after the Service! To donate, look for the giant cup on the table in the hall. Alternatively, you can donate online: visit www.biggestmorningtea.com.au and type Carole Simpson where it says 'find a friend'.



Pernaperna Group The next meeting is **Thursday 16th May** from 1-3pm at the Sunbury Neighbourhood House (531 Elizabeth Drive). All welcome. Enquiries to Joan Koren on 0418 302 676.

Sunbury Family History & Heritage Society The next meeting is at 1.30pm on **Thursday 16th May** in Meeting Room 3, Hume Global Learning Centre (temporary venue while Senior Cit's building is being refurbished). Anyone is welcome to attend.

Pentecost Sunday Combined Service A regional churches combined Service will take place at 2pm on **Sunday 19th 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 25th May** from 10am to 3pm at 'The White Goose' (the Uniting Church building, 3 Sutherlands Road, Riddells Creek). Lunch, tea/coffee and light snacks will be provided. A small donation on the day would be appreciated to assist with costs. If you would like to attend, or if you need transport, please contact Barb on 0410 439 724 or Jill on 0400 236 122.

Restoration Fund coin containers Please bring these to church on **Sunday 26th May**. Every coin counts! If you don't have a container, there are plenty available in the kitchen foyer – they don't need to be named.

Book signing New author Michael Prewer will be signing books and answering questions about his first novel 'R.E Generation' after the Service on **Sunday 9th June**. The novel will be available for sale @ \$30 (RRP \$34.99).

May Birthdays



6 Jo Brownscombe 15 Geoff Woods
18 Trish Palamountain 22 Jeanette McBean



Minister

Rev. Fa'amata'u Leota 0401 592 359
minister@sunburyunitingchurch.org.au

The Minister's days off are:

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

Church Council Chairperson

Dianne Moon 0404 266 296
dismale@bigpond.com

Church Council Secretary

Minutes: Jackie Cowan 0478 777 044
Corres: Pat Baulch 0413 567 967
secretary@sunburyunitingchurch.org.au

Editor 'Keeping in Touch'

Helen Hall 0407 506 507
helenhall88@gmail.com
Deadline 12pm Thursday

Website and Facebook

<http://sunburyunitingchurch.org.au>
www.facebook.com/SunburyUnitingChurch

Bank details

BSB 063-548 (CBA)
Account No. 10248671
St. Andrew's Uniting Church

Postal address

PO Box 784, Sunbury 3429



... continued overleaf

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.

Drop-In Centre Book Sale – the results! The day was well-attended and many books were sold, resulting in the packing up only taking 50 minutes! **The amount of \$476 was raised!** A big thank you to all who attended and to those who helped set up and pack away. Jan Semmens.

Kay's Fashion Parade – the results! Thank you to everyone who attended and helped at this annual event. Over 50 ladies attended, enjoying the Parade, the shopping and afternoon tea. Many thanks to our models – Lorraine, Jacquie, Chris P, Dell and Janine. **\$520 was raised** for the Restoration Fund! Robyn Flett.

Fundraising update – amounts raised since the 10th March:

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

Tesselaar bulbs Extra to the above total, **\$309.80** is the final amount raised by the sale of bulbs. Thank you to everyone who bought them!

Jackie's cards Jackie has restocked her birthday card box so don't forget to take a look at these beautiful cards (on the trolley in the kitchen foyer).

Rosters for Sunday 12th May

Door: P. Baulch, G. Warne **Communion:** R. Coulson, L. McLaren
Morning tea: C. Ely, C. Prosser

Readings for Sunday 12th May

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5: 9-13 John 17: 6-19

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.** 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 NSWPF 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 / 0413 838 616.

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

www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled

