

Revd Nicky Latham will be welcomed as our new Deacon in Charge at a Service of Recognition with Bp Ian on Saturday 15th August. Details to follow.

Please try out the **seating prototypes** over the next few weeks & give feedback to seating committee (Alison, Bev D, Jan H, Jane) or wardens (Tom and Tine) The book shelf has 3 widths to try – armed chair is widest. **Donations are welcome!** – please see under Giving below.

Today is Sea Sunday: *The Mission for Seafarers* ministers in 200+ ports in 50 countries to 1.89 million seafarers through a network of chaplains, staff and volunteers. The 27 Australian centres help seafarers:

- connect with their loved ones and children
- mentally and spiritually recharge for the next leg of their voyage;
- access medical, welfare, and chaplaincy services.

Donate via today's collection or directly online:
<https://www.missiontoseafarers.org/individual-giving>



We pray for the Mission to Seafarers, the staff, volunteers, and chaplains: Very Rev'd Darryl Cotton (Bunbury) Rev'd Cn Karen Cave (Albany) Rev'd Gaerlan Baguil (Bunbury)

Parish Diary TONIGHT: Twilight Meditation

5.30 to practice chants for 6pm start St L reflections, silence, sacred music by candlelight

July 19 Holy Communion, St L Revd Sue TBC
Morning Prayer, St G

REGULAR SERVICES & GATHERINGS

Sunday Eucharist/Morning Prayer: St Leonard's 9.30am; St George's 10am

Twilight Meditations St Leonard's 2nd Sun 5.30 practice for 6pm

Evening Prayer: St Leonard's last Sunday of month, 6pm, except May

Choir Practice: St Leonard's Saturday 10.30-11, then coffee.

Men's Breakfast: 3rd Sat 8.30 Amaroo Clubhouse, see Nigel to rsvp

DIRECT GIVING: BSB: 706-001 ACCT: 3000 4673 *Online only*
quote 'Offertory' in description

Special Donation: quote "Seating" in description

Cheques make out to Anglican Parish Denmark Walpole
& mail to PO Box 277 Denmark WA 6333

12th July 2026

Seventh Sunday
after Pentecost

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Prayers of the Day

Bountiful God,

we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word:
by your Holy Spirit,
help us to receive it with joy, and to live according to it,
that we may grow in faith and hope and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen** (APBA)

Prayer for Sea Sunday

Heavenly Father, we commend to you all seafarers.

Guard and protect them in danger;
sustain them in loneliness; and support them in sickness and anxiety.
Bless all who minister to them.

Watch over those who are near and dear to them,
and grant them the blessing of your presence.

These things we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** APBA

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Locum Tenens: Revd Sue Lodge-Calvert (p/t Sat-Mon)

Licensed Lay Ministers: Harold Luxton, Alison Kershaw, Sally Prickett, Tom Sheard

Wardens: Tine Adams, Harold Luxton, Tom Sheard

*We endeavour to be an expression of God's love
in the community*

Isaiah 55.10-13

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Psalms 65.8-13

- 8 You tend the earth and water it:
you make it rich and fertile.
- 9 The river of God is full of water:
**and so providing for the earth,
you provide grain for us all.**
- 10 You drench its furrows, you level the ridges between:
you soften it with showers and bless its early growth.
- 11 You crown the year with your goodness:
and the tracks where you have passed drip with fatness.
- 12 The pastures of the wilderness run over:
and the hills are girded with joy.
- 13 The meadows are clothed with sheep:
**and the valleys stand so thick with corn,
they shout for joy and sing.**

Romans 8.1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the

Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Matthew 13.1-9, 13.18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!' 'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Next Week: *Isaiah 44.6-8; Ps 86.11-17; Romans 8: 12-25; Matt 13:24-30, 36-43*

Lay Retreat Aug 21-23, St John of God Retreat Centre, Shoalwater, led by Rev Sue & Rev Vicki Webb: *rest, refreshment, & returning awareness to the deep love of God.* \$345 all incl. (sponsorship is avail - See Alison or Harold)

Bp Ian Diocese retirement gift; to add to our Parish contribution, please place in marked envelope in Offertory or online with "Bp gift" in description. See back cover.