



# Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Newington, Ocean Grove,  
Uniting Church in Australia

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A warm welcome is extended to all visitors today.  
God's richest blessings to you all.

## SERVICES TODAY

9.00am Barwon Heads  
The Reverend James Douglas  
Family Service

11.00am Newington  
The Reverend James Douglas  
Holy Communion

10.30am Ocean Grove  
ACCESS Sunday

10.30am Surfside House Church  
30 Minerva Close Ocean Grove

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The Reverend James Douglas

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Mrs. Fiona Tingate

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The Reverend James Douglas  
Family Service

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## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 7) Acts 16: 16-34, Psalm 97  
Revelations 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21, John 17: 20-26

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost) Acts 2: 1-21 or Genesis 11: 1-9  
Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b, Romans 8: 14-17, John 14: 8-17 (25-27)

## KEY VERSE

**“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in  
me through their message.”**

**John 17: 20**

## BARWON HEADS NEWS

**OUR MINISTER:** James is working Thursday afternoon in the vestry at Barwon heads. Come and have a chat, no appointments necessary, 2.30pm– 5.00pm. Please note that James will not be available at Barwon heads on 20th of May.

### **BARWON HEADS NOTICES:**

Please send them to harwood@bemail.com.au or phone Jenny Harwood by Thursday evening. Phone 5264 1536. I'd love to hear from you.

### **NEW PARISH PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUP:**

#### **“Christianity explained”**

For times and more details please see the notice in the Parish section of this newsletter. This study goes for 2 sessions and will be run by The Reverend James Douglas. All are welcome and why not bring a friend!

**VISION AUSTRALIA, FUNDRAISER:** Cliché' Clothing will be displaying their latest range of clothes on Tuesday 25th May, Barwon Heads Uniting Church at 1.00pm. Entry is \$3 and afternoon tea will be served. Please come and support this fundraiser.

### **BARWON HEADS COMBINED CHURCHES PENTECOST SERVICE:**

This Service will be held on Sunday 23rd May 7.00pm at All Saints Anglican Church Barwon Heads. Marg Isom is on the organizing committee and would be grateful to hear from anyone willing to do a Bible reading or help on the night.

**SEE YOU AT THE POLE:** A group of support prayers will meet at the flagpole at All Saints Anglican Church on Thursday May 7th 7.30am. Please come wrapped up warmly and join in prayer for our young people in our schools.

**A SPECIAL SUNDAY SERVICE AND LUNCH** with Tupe loelu and Samoan Guests, **Sunday 30th May from 9.00am.** Shared worship will be followed by a power point presentation by the Samoan's highlighting the needs in Samoa after last years devastating earthquake and tsunami. Our Samoan friends will also provide some singing entertainment. Samoa is one of our major GST projects for this year. Donations will be gratefully accepted at the luncheon. Leanne Grills is co-coordinating catering and will be glad to hear from anyone able to help.

**TRIVIA NIGHT DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES:** Friday 27th August. Please book this in to your diaries and start to invite guests for a table. Lydia Cover will happily take your bookings.

**J SPENCER NALL MEMORIAL LECTURE 2010:** Sunday 6th June 5.00pm—followed by supper. Wesley Uniting Church 100 Yarra Street Geelong. The guest speaker is Professor Sean Winter. Refer to the poster in the hall for more details.

**Please join us for morning tea in the church hall after the service**

## PARISH NEWS

### **NEW PARISH AND BIBLE STUDY GROUP** **Christianity Explained—2 sessions**

Sessions are as follows:

18th May Barwon Heads, 25th May Ocean Grove and all sessions begin at 2.30pm. This is your chance to join a group for open exploration of Christian faith. Questions will be encouraged, doubts are welcome and you won't be asked to read, pray or share personal stories. All are welcome, why not bring a friend Enquires Peter Ward 5254 2573 or 0430 728 549

**WELCOME** the story of a young Kurdish refugee in Calais, and those who seek to help him. **FUNDRAISER FOR REFUGEE FAMILY REUNION.** Once only Geelong showing, Reading Cinema Waurin Ponds. Sunday May 16th 6.30pm. All tickets \$15 and available from Lyn Mulligan 5255 2638 or Neil Tolliday 0402 817 673 Sponsored by Queenscliff Rural Australians for Refugees.

**BIGGEST MORNING TEA Thursday May 27th 10.00am** in the Ocean Grove Uniting Church Hall. Guest Speaker Michael Kennedy speaking on the "Kelly Gang". All welcome and this event is organised by the Ocean Grove Craft Group.

**LETTER WRITING:** if you would like to write to Peter Moonie and his family here is his new mailing address: C/- Bruce Moonie 8 Marshall Street, Flemington Victoria 3031

**Please note:** The Parish Office now has broadband and our new email address is oguc@tpg.com.au If you would like a notice printed in the newsletter please have it to the office by 8.30am on Friday.

**THE OCEAN GROVE UCAF WILL HOLD ANOTHER "COLLECTABLES APPRAISAL"** On Saturday 19th June , 1.00pm—5.00pm, in the Ocean Grove Church and Hall. Our appraisers will again be Vanessa Crew and Adam Truscott, from "The Collectors" Murrumbidgee. There will be a limit of 2 items per person for appraisal @\$5 per item. Items to be appraised can include art, vintage toys, sports memorabilia, dolls/teddies, china, pottery and Australiana. Afternoon tea available for \$3.50. We would be interested to hear from anyone who may have an interesting collection for display purposes. Please contact Judy Greer (5255 4041) or Robin Munro (5255 3970) if you have a collection. All proceeds will once again go to the Uniting Church Share Winter Appeal. So come along and join in a fun and interesting afternoon.

**HOT CHOCOLATE DAY for the Geelong Hospital Friday 21st May** indulge in a cup of hot chocolate and help give the gift of good health. Participating outlets in Ocean Grove are "The Dunes" and "Nectar Cafe"

## OCEAN GROVE NEWS

**RETIRING OFFERING:** for the month of May will be for ACCESS Ministries. Would all people donating to the Chaplaincy Fund through the **Chaplaincy Bank** system please have their money returned to the Treasurer by the end of the month.

Like to know more about the Surfside House Church, then please contact Peter Broughton on 5255 4463

**PRAYER CONTACT:** If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission), please contact Helen Baum on 5255 1487

**NEEDED** by our Convenor of the Jam Stall 500 gram jam jars preferably clean and with the labels removed.

**Please note that James will be available in the Vestry on Thursday mornings from 10.00am—1.00pm for informal chats.** No appointments necessary but if you would like to ring before coming please call 5256 2477 James not available Thursday May 20th.

**UCAF: next meeting Monday 24th May. Visit to Geelong Mosque, Bostock Avenue, Manifold Heights.** Cars to leave the church at 9.50am. If you are interested in attending please contact Judy Greer (5255 4041), or Chris Brown (5255 3402) by Sunday 23rd May so we can organise some car pooling. Please note there are no special requirements concerning dress however ladies may like to bring a head scarf to wear inside the mosque.

**ONGOING APPEALS:** You may like to make a donation of non-perishable goods for Concern. The basket is in the church foyer for your donations.

### **UCAF SCHOOL BACKPACKS PROJECT**

Thanks to all who have generously contributed school requisites for this project. Because of items received we now have an amended "needs" list including the following— scrapbooks, plastic lunch boxes, soap holders, packets of crayons, hand towels, boys and girls handkerchiefs, pencil cases, felt tipped pens and skipping ropes. Any money donations towards the cost of purchasing needed items would also be appreciated.

**MEETING: FRIDAY May 21st—Elders 2.00pm in the church hall.**

### **DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:**

Saturday July 31st 9.00am "Sort and Pack" morning for clothing, linen etc. suitable for sale in the Outreach Centre. Please keep any clothes until then, but if you need to have them out of your house before hand, contact Jean Konings (5255 3442) to make storage arrangements.

Sunday 8th August Congregational Meeting after church with a shared lunch.