



## ON LISTENING!

When I ask you to listen to me - and you start giving advice, you have not done what I asked.

When I ask you to listen to me - and you begin to tell me why I shouldn't feel that way, you are trampling on my feelings.

When I ask you to listen to me and you feel you have to do something to solve my problem, you have failed me, strange as it may seem.

Listen! All I asked was that you listen, not talk or do -just hear me.

Advice is cheap - a few cents will get you both Dear Abby and Billy Graham in the same newspaper.

And I can do for myself - I am not helpless.  
Maybe discouraged and faltering, but not helpless.

When you do something for me that I can and need to do for myself, you contribute to my fear and weakness.

But when you accept as a simple fact that I do feel what I feel, no matter how irrational,

then I can quit trying to convince you and can get about the business of understanding what is behind this irrational feeling.

And when that is clear, the answers are obvious and I don't need advice.

Irrational feelings make sense when we understand what is behind them.

So, please listen and just hear me.  
And, if you want to talk, wait a minute for your turn,  
and I will listen to you.

The  
"cookie jar"  
is  
really  
hungry!

It feeds on notes  
& coins.

It's for mowing and  
general  
maintenance.

"One friend, one person who is truly understanding, who takes the trouble to listen to us as we consider our problem, can change the world".

Dr Elton Mayo



# Good Shepherd Church

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**The 'family church'... where you're a stranger only once.**

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**8TH JUNE, 2008**

*The Good Shepherd Family — our purpose is to grow together in Christ,  
to worship and learn, to be the Good News.*

## BAPTISM



We welcome with love for  
Baptism today Maddesyn  
Rose Hampson together with her Parents  
Paul & Sharyn and her Godparents Leigh  
& Teresa.

May their experience of the warmth of  
fellowship here make this Baptism Day  
very special for them all.

During the service, Fr. Rick will dedicate  
a prayer book donated to the parish by  
Paul & Sharyn in thanksgiving for  
Maddesyn's Baptism.

***"You can be better or bitter—  
the choice is up to you".***

I have heard these pearls of my mother's  
advice echo in my mind many times when I  
have experienced devastating blows  
in my life.

## PARISH FAMILY NEWS!

### Celebrating Birthdays

9th Caroline Williamson  
Tyler Petersen

11th Heather Heron

*Best wishes from all the Parish Family*



### Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries

12th Harry & Cheryl Wright  
(37 years)

14th Alan & Joan Stringer  
(50 years)

*Congratulations & much love from us all!*



### ANNIVERSARY SONG

Tell me I may always dance the  
ANNIVERSARY WALTZ with you,  
Tell me this is real romance,  
An anniversary dream come true,  
Let this be the anthem to our future years,  
To millions of smiles and a few little tears,  
May I always listen to  
The ANNIVERSARY WALTZ with you.



*"If you change the way you look at things,  
the things you look at change." Wayne Dyer*

**POSITIONS VACANT!!!**

**Needed—one person for the cleaning roster.** Male or Female—we believe in equal opportunity! You will be rostered on a six weekly roster with two other people.

**Also needed** — people for the morning tea roster. Please let the Parish Secretary know **THIS WEEK** via a care & courtesy slip if you are available for either of these very rewarding positions.

**COAT**—Thank you to all

who are supporting the Chinese Orphans Assistance Team—those who have pledged and those who give when they can—your donations make such a difference to these little children's lives.



Donations may be left in the cot any Sunday. If you would like a receipt please put your money in an envelope, print your name on the front and a receipt will be available next week.

**Widowed, Separated or Divorced.**

Interested in forming a self-help group? Please contact Pam Coleman on either 4154 1406, 0407 740 706, or email me on [pamcoleman@bigpond.com](mailto:pamcoleman@bigpond.com).

The Anglican Men's Society meets on Tuesday 10th June from 11.30am in Christ Church Supper Room with lunch and business 12.15pm — 1.15pm. Discussion re 7th Commandment and its relevance in 2008. Phone Alan 41594306 for catering purposes.

**BUNDABERG ORPHEUS SINGERS**

Present

**Merrie England**

**MUSIC BY ENGLISH COMPOSERS  
WITH A TOUCH OF FUN & FROLICS!**

**IN THE ANGLICAN CHURCH PARISH HALL,  
WOONGARRA STREET**

**SATURDAY 21ST JUNE AT 7.30PM &  
SUNDAY 22ND JUNE AT 2PM**

**REFRESHMENTS**

*Free Light Ploughman's Platters provided for all.*

*Tea (or Coffee!) and other non-alcoholic beverages available for purchase Or BYO Alcohol and Tankards!*

**TABLE SEATING — ADMISSION BY  
TICKET ONLY AVAILABLE FROM  
NIELSON'S MUSIC STORE**

**INFORMATION—  
PHONE TANYA 41512621  
ADULTS \$15  
STUDENTS & CONCESSIONS \$12**

**This week in the Parish:**

<b>Monday</b>		Rector's Day Off
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am 11.30am 7.00pm 7.30pm	Sewing Circle AMS Dinner Meeting—Christ Church Supper Room Rector & Warden's Meeting Parish Council Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Midweek Service Home Fellowship Study Group- Contact Heather Heron 41531296 Pastoral Focus Visitors Mater Hospital
<b>Thursday</b>	7.00am	Pastoral Focus Home Visits & Bedside Communion Mater Hospital
<b>Friday</b>	7.00am 8.00am	Prayer Group meet in the church Bedside Communion Riverlea & Gracehaven
<b>Sunday</b>	7.00am 9.30am 4.00pm	Holy Communion Service Family Communion Service & Sunday School Latte / Bible Study Group—Andrew & Louise 41542680



**Tuesday 1st July**

**Cent Sale**

**in our Church Hall**

**Morning Tea 9am—Cent Sale Commences 9.30am**

Admission just \$2.00

Cent Sale Tickets 50 cents each.

Children's & Adults raffles,

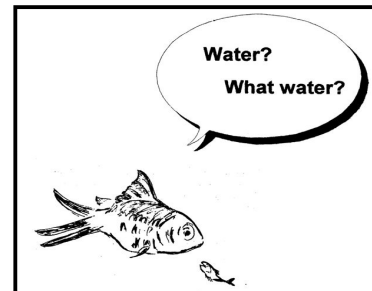
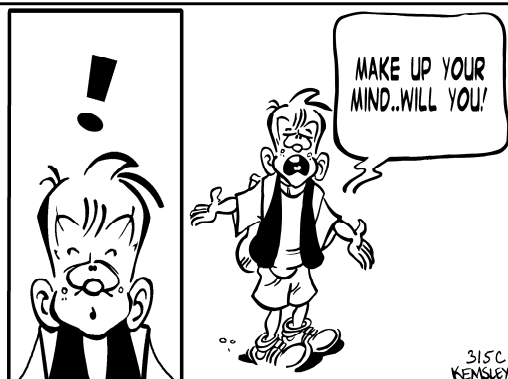
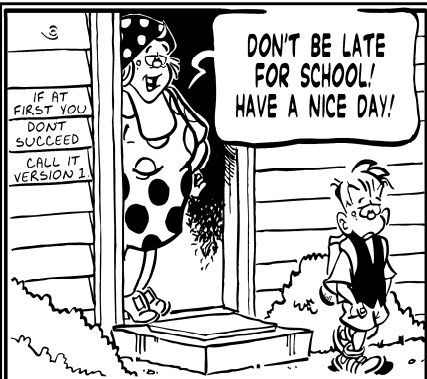
Whip-around raffles.

Lucky door prizes

Lots of Jackpot prizes

Excellent Cent Sale Table of Craft, Home Cooking, Groceries, Plants & Homeware.

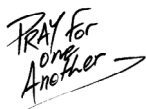
**Come along & bring your friends for great fellowship & fun!**



**We need YOUR help to provide prizes for our Cent Sale Table.**  
There will be a basket at the back of the church from next Sunday to receive donations of craft items, groceries, toiletries etc. Donations of home cooking and plants should be brought to the hall on Monday 30th June or Tuesday 1st by 8.30am

**Our Parish Prayer**

Father God, equip our Good Shepherd family with the resources we need.  
Empower us all by your Holy Spirit.  
Strengthen, protect and guide us – especially in our times of need.  
Remove the obstacles that would block our endeavours to do your will.  
Make us one, within the fold of your church.  
We ask in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.



**Pastoral Focus Prayer.**

God our Father,  
Grant us the skills to serve your church;  
The ears to hear the calls for help;  
The lips to speak your words of truth;  
The eyes to see the needs to fill;  
The feet to go to those in want;  
The mind to meet the doubts we find;  
The heart of love to share your peace;  
The hands to work without reward;  
We ask this only to do your will,  
Through Jesus, our Saviour, Redeemer and Friend. Amen.



**Prayer of Evangelism.**

Heavenly Father, Set our hearts on fire to go into the world in your name.  
Grant us wisdom, and the confidence to speak your word.  
Give us the strength and the will to continue through all circumstances.  
Help us take the Good News to all who will listen,  
so they may know Jesus as their Lord and master.  
May we glorify your name in all we say and do. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.



**In your prayers, please remember:-**

**Our Parish Family prayer list this week** ( from our parish directory – to show we care)

Ian & Marie Ashurst; Trevor & Lesley Christensen; Edwin & Pam Edgerton; Billy Hailey; Arthur Juvelecas; Yvonne May; Cliff & Audrey Pownall; Shirley Spargo; Peter & Marg Tuffield.



*Absent Friends:* Parish Family not with us today.

For those in need:

**Prayers for Healing:** "Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest"

Arthur D; Gillian; Audrey; Stan; Harry; Nesta; Bonny; Dave; Ben; Sarah; Bev; Richard; Sherryl; Chris; Bon; ... (and those known only to the Lord).

**Special Needs:**

Ivy & Jack; Iris, Jim & Family; Irene; Cheryl; Kym; Emma; Vivienne & Don; Brendan; Joyce; Julia; Richard; Luise, Mark & Rosie; Bonny & children; Janet, Dudley & Family; Linda & Neil; (& those known only to the Lord)

**Our School Chaplains:** Fr. Andrew, Paula, Kelli, Steven, Adrian, Noel, Teresa & Brenda

**Our Link Missionaries with CMS** – Shirley Gent in Pakistan and the Hayes Family – Bruce, Libby and their children Daniel, Julia, Stephanie & Ruth in Nepal **and BCA Missionaries** - the Keith Family—Rev'd Mike, Chantalle and baby Rachell in Lightning Ridge.

**Years Mind – we remember- (i.e. the anniversary of the death of a loved one):-**

**Thanksgiving for the Life of:**

## Today's Worship—Pentecost 4

**Sentence:** Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners. Matthew 9:12-13

**Readings Today:**

Old Testament: Genesis 12:1-9  
Psalm: 33:1-12 page 252  
New Testament: Romans 4:13-25  
Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

**Readings next Sunday:**

Old Testament: Genesis 18:1-15  
Psalm: 116:1-2, 11-18  
New Testament: Romans 5:1-11  
Gospel: Matthew 9:35-10:8

**Father, let the light of your truth guide us to  
your kingdom through a world filled with  
lights contrary to your own.**

**Christian is the name and the gospel  
I we glory in.**

**May your love make us what you have called  
us to be.**

**YOUR OFFERTORY TRUST**

How often we hear someone misquote Paul by saying "Money is the root of all evil." He said no such thing; he had far too much intelligence to say anything so silly. Money feeds the hungry, clothes the naked; it will build schools, colleges, and universities.

It erects and maintains churches to the glory of God.

# Thank You

Many thanks to the precious Good Shepherd Family for your ongoing prayers for Rosie and her Mum & Dad Luise & Mark. All are progressing very well in God's protection and strength.

I'm sure Rosie would like to thank you too, so on her behalf I've "created!" a brief photographic story to demonstrate her progress.

Love, Ann Hoffmann.

