



Crookwell Uniting Church

“To Know Christ and Make Christ Known”



*Witnessing to God's love for the world
From the main street to the paddock.*

November 2021

With All The Saints

Then I saw a new Heaven and a new earth; for the first Heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of Heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; He will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

- Revelation 21:1-4

As we return to worship on 7 November, we will celebrate together All Saints Day.

All Saints Day originated as a commemoration of martyrs in the early centuries of the Church, and was closely associated with Easter. In the ninth century, it was fixed on 1 November as a day to remember the holy men and women who were examples of faith and service in the Church of their times. In recent times, many congregations have made this a day when they remember not only the great names of the saints, but those often unknown and ordinary saints who have built up the faith in their local community.

Fur us in 2021, it gives an opportunity to remember those who have passed away in recent years, especially those for whom we

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have not been able to have large funerals due to COVID restrictions.

During the service, time will be provided for members of a congregation to remember together their loved ones. There is time for the sharp grief that follows a death, but there is time also for recalling names, contributions, and events in the ordinary cycle of life.

And in so doing, we remember together that the same God who was faithful in the past, remains so today, and will continue to do so in the future.

And so, we will end by celebrating communion together.

After the disruptions of recent years, and the hardships, loneliness, anxiety and grief many of us have experienced during this pandemic, it is vitally important for us to have time to be a community together again.

And I am deeply thankful to God that we will be worshipping together in person again.

So, let me end by setting out some expectations.

Under the current COVID restrictions, worship may return with the following provisions (until further easing on 1 December):

- 1) No Singing
- 2) Masks will need to be worn
- 3) We will need to obey the 1 person per 4sqm limit. That means we can fit 25 people in the Church proper, and another 15 in the overflow seating in the hall.
- 4) All people (vaccinated or not) are able to attend places of worship.

For those unable to be with us in person, or who still feel unsafe to do so at this time, a prayer pack is attached to this newsletter, and services on 7 and 21 November will continue to be streamed via crookwelluniting.org

Blessing to all the saints

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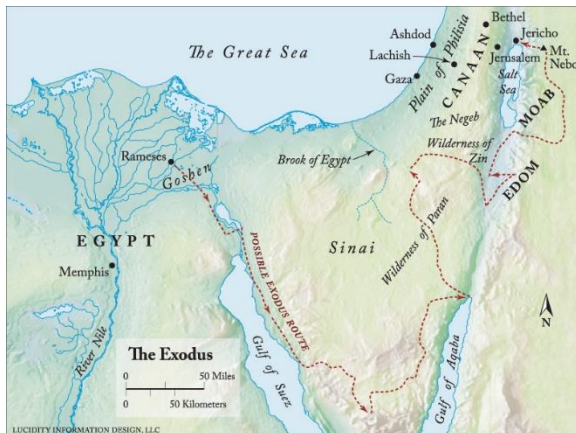
Free Bible Resources

The Luther Seminary has compiled a valuable resource for anyone looking to find a deeper understanding of the bible.

Enter the Bible breaks down each book of the bible to give you an overview of its background, authorship, setting and context, as well as the themes and issues.

It is a valuable tool for understanding the people, places and lessons of the bible.

A free resource, *Enter the Bible* can be accessed at <https://enterthebible.org/free-account-registration/>



Map of Exodus, from Enter the Bible

Worship & Readings

Sunday 7 November

9:00am Crookwell Wesley
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Readings: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17; Psalm 127;
Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

Sunday 14 November

9:00am Crookwell Wesley

Readings: 1 Samuel 1:4-20, 2:1-10; Hebrews
10:11-14, 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

Sunday 21 November

9:00am Crookwell Wesley
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Readings: 2 Samuel 23:1-7; Psalm 132:1-12;
Revelation 1:4-8; John 18:33-37

Sunday 28 November

9:00 Crookwell Wesley

Readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-
10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

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Note from Fellowship

Because fellowship members are finding it difficult to run a street stall, members are each donating money and asking the congregation to help with our street stall fund.

This money helps fellowship to support many organisations each year, especially our own parish.

Currently, fellowship has donated \$360 to our fund.

Thank you

Margaret Gay



Clinical Pastoral Education Opportunity

A Clinical Pastoral Education course available at a discount rate in November and December 2021, is a chance to learn an introduction to spiritual and pastoral care for those interested in offering their services in hospital, parish or community settings.

Goulburn Health Service will soon be opening its new Hospital, and will be looking for pastoral care volunteers.

Attached to this newsletter is a flyer and application form for a Clinical Pastoral Education course which will be conducted online over the next six weeks.

The usual course cost of \$425 has been discounted to \$50. For more information, please call Barbara Hall on 0418 413 731.

Please note, those of you who receive the newsletter via email would have received this information in the last week or two.



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