



Key Notes: Trinity Sunday & St Barnabas Day: 4 & 11 June 2023

It's all go

Well, it seems that my prayers for an 'emergence from hibernation' have been answered. You will see by the pictures that follow that St Peter's is leaving behind the lethargy of nearly 3 years of Covid. A note of caution here: Covid is still very much in the community, and you can be reassured that we will continue to take every reasonable precaution regarding your health. Yet, because we are nothing if not adaptable, we are now re-establishing our routines afresh here at St Peter's. We've even established some new events in our monthly calendar.

Coffee on Mondays is a very well received social time for parishioners. This is a new initiative this year. We all do enjoy a good chat and I am certain that Inga's wonderful baking is contributing to the joy of the occasion. Once again, come along, it's informal and it's free. 10:00 am, Mondays.

SPARK: "St Peter's Anglican Religious Kids." This is an acronym from the past. Just before Covid we were enjoying a Sunday School for the children at our 9:30 am Sunday service. Its format then (and to be) is a simple one. The children join in the Sunday School in the Visitors' Centre for 30 minutes and return to be with their parents for Holy Eucharist. From the poster later in this Key Notes you will see that we will need some more volunteers to make SPARK happen again. We have set the first Sunday of the third school term - 9th July - as our commencement date. We will need volunteers and since there is some paperwork involved please talk to Jill Parker or Christine in the office if you are interested as soon as possible.

Online streaming. The parish benefits greatly from the online streaming of our services. The number of 'hits' every week is very encouraging. I believe that it is safe to say that people are no longer staying at home in their pyjamas to watch church online. The real value seems to be focusing around three distinct points: (1) folk who are literally too far away to join as - that's you Fr Dale and Doreen and some other regulars from around the country and overseas. (2) Folk who are unwell at home - or even in hospital. You are still with us, and we are with you in prayer.



(3) Finally - and this I find interesting: folk who are new to the area are employing a sort of 'try before you buy' approach to St Peter's. As someone who moved to the coast 11 years ago, I well remember how hard it was to find the right church. I imagine folk now use a view of our online worship before coming to see for themselves. Certainly, we seem to be able to attract new parishioners on a regular basis, and they readily report that they have already seen us online.

For this reason, we are going to upgrade our camera and audio over the next few months. The generosity of parishioners is helping a great deal in this regard. Thank you to you. So, as they say, watch this space (literally).

Our Patronal Festival is to be held on Sunday 25 June. We will be entertained by the Cornerstone Chorus - Luke is a member of this award-winning Choir. There will be a light meal to follow. We are still finalizing the details so we will update you in the next *Key Notes*. In the meantime, please mark this in your diaries.

So, as you can see, we are 'bouncing back' - thanks be to God!

Fr Don

What's On?

Coffee on Mondays ('COM')

Every Monday, 10:00 am in the Parish Centre



No time to stop on for a cuppa after Sunday Morning Eucharist?

Looking for a coffee with your church friends. Why not join us on Mondays for a relaxed coffee/tea/chai in the Parish Centre.

- There's no cost (you can make a donation if you wish, but this is not a fundraising event.)
- You can chat with other parishioners and even bring a friend if you like.
- We have lovely facilities here - why not come along and enjoy them?

The Parish Diary

Sunday 4 June: Trinity Sunday

7:00 am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer 1928 [BCP])

9:30 am Holy Baptism & Eucharist (A Prayerbook for Australia [APBA])

5:45 pm Holy Eucharist (APBA)

Monday 5 June

10:00 am *Coffee on Monday* - The Parish Centre

Tuesday 6 June

6:00 pm Choir Practice - *new members welcome*

Wednesday 7 June

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (APBA)

11:00 am Bible Study (via Zoom & Face-to-face)

Thursday 8 June

12:00 Midday Holy Eucharist (APBA)

1:00 pm 'Phoenix Group'

7:00 pm Parish Council meeting

Sunday 11 June: St Barnabas, Apostle & Martyr

7:00 am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9:30 am Holy Eucharist (APBA)

5:45 pm Sung Evensong followed by Holy Eucharist (BCP)

Monday 12 June

10:00 am *Coffee on Monday*

9:00 am Holy Communion - Abri Rest Home

9:30 am Holy Eucharist - Villa La Salle - St Vincent Care

7:00 pm Requiem Mass

Tuesday 13 June

6:00 pm Choir Practice - *new members welcome*

Wednesday 14 June

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (APBA)

11:00 am Bible Study (via Zoom & Face-to-face)

Thursday 15 June

12:00 Midday Holy Eucharist (APBA)

Sunday 18 June: Pentecost III

7:00 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) Bush Church Aid - Revd Mike Uptin

9:30 am Holy Eucharist (APBA) Bush Church Aid - Revd Mike Uptin

5:45 pm Holy Eucharist (APBA)



What's been happening?



St Hilda's with us on Sunday 21 May



St Hilda's Senior Strings ~ conducted by Mr Chen Yang



*Senza Ragazzi, conducted by Tania Edmunds
and accompanied by Antony Zambolt*





Our Pentecost BBQ - Popular!





The 'Pentecost Pulpit'

Our BBQ Breakfast



Collect & Readings

for Trinity Sunday ~ Sunday 4th June 2023

Exodus 34: 1-8

1 The Lord said to Moses, 'Cut two tablets of stone like the former ones, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the former tablets, which you broke. 2 Be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai and present yourself there to me, on the top of the mountain. 3 No one shall come up with you, and do not let anyone be seen throughout all the mountain; and do not let flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain.'

4 So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the former ones; and he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone. 5 The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name, 'The Lord.' 6 The Lord passed before him, and proclaimed, 'The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, 7 keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.' 8 And Moses quickly bowed his head towards the earth, and worshipped.

Trinity Sunday Collect

*Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given to us your servants grace
by the confession of a true faith
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity,
and in the power of the divine majesty
to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
and evermore defend us from all adversities,
for you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.*

Psalm 8

R O Lord our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!

2 Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens.

3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger. **R**

4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

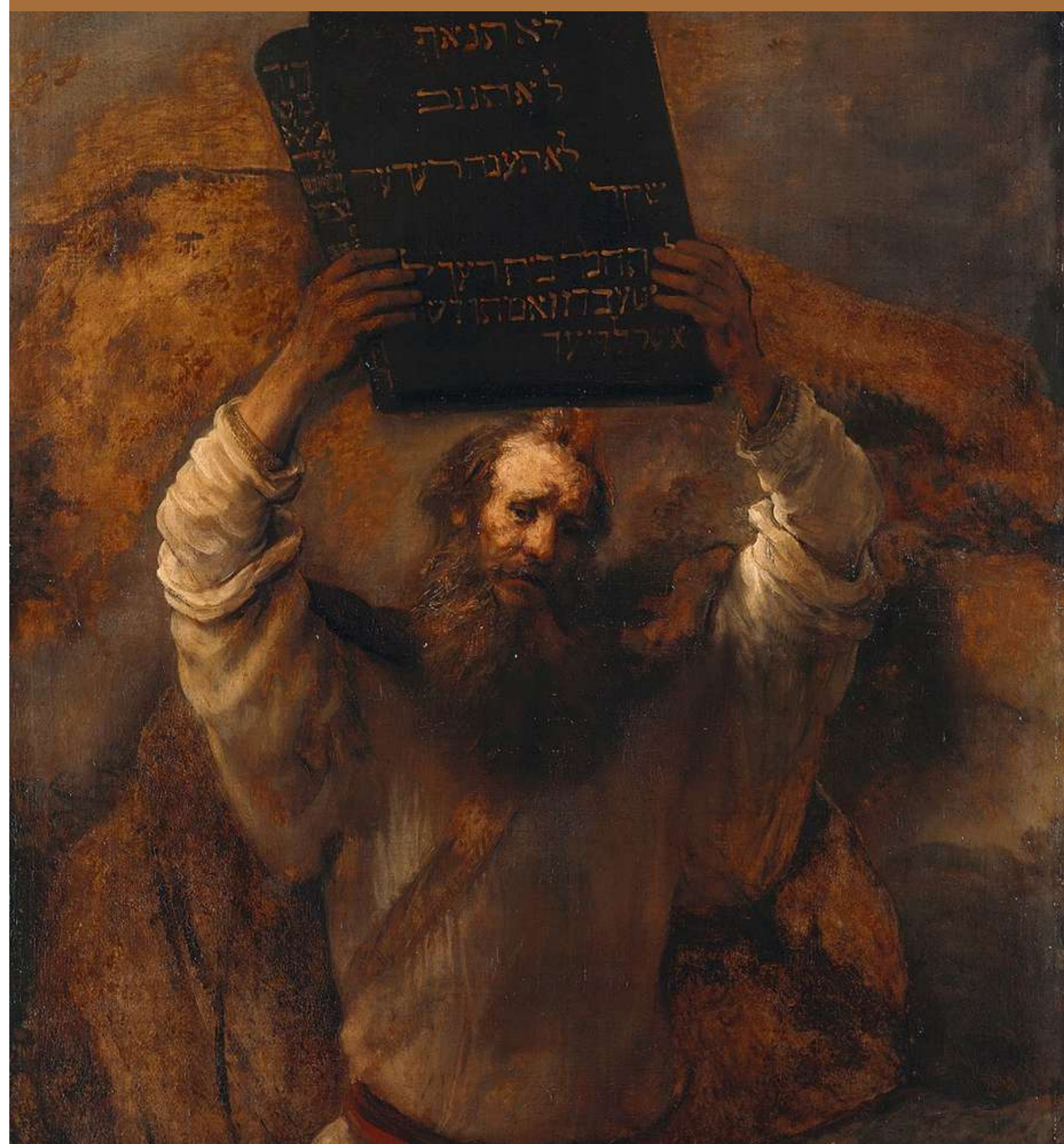
5 What is man, that you should be mindful of him? The son of man that you should seek him out?

6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honour. **R**

7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet,

8 All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea. **R**



The Holy Trinity, Hendrick van Balen, c 1630s



2 Corinthians 13: 11–14

11 Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. 12 Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. 13 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Matthew 28:16 - 20

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Collect & Readings

St Barnabas ~ Sunday 11th June 2023

Job 29: 11-16

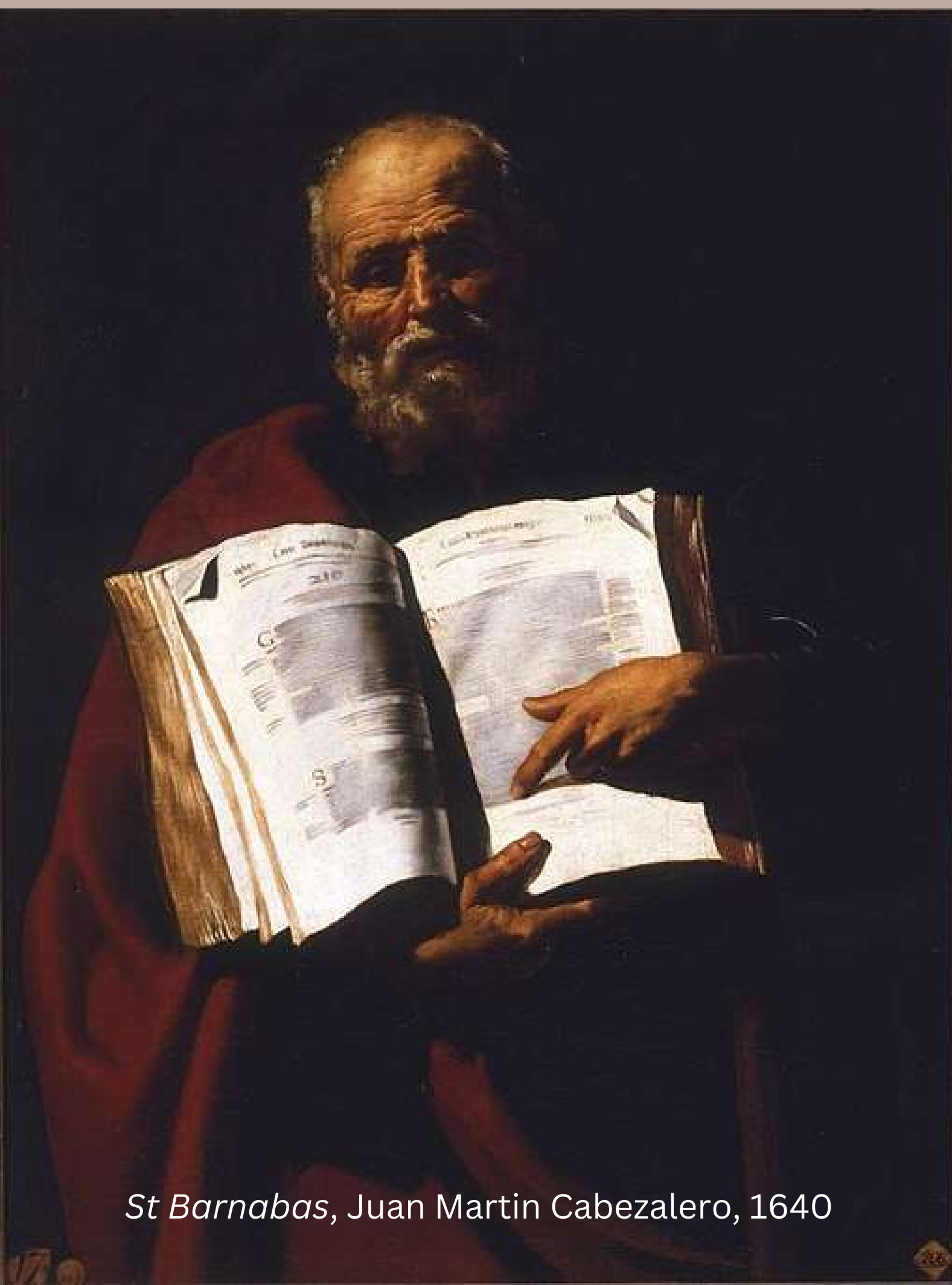
11 When the ear heard, it commended me,
and when the eye saw, it approved;
12 because I delivered the poor who cried,
and the orphan who had no helper.
13 The blessing of the wretched came upon me,
and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.
14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me;
my justice was like a robe and a turban.
15 I was eyes to the blind,
and feet to the lame.
16 I was a father to the needy,
and I championed the cause of the stranger.

Acts of the Apostles 11: 22-30 & 13: 1-3

11 22 News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. 23 When he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion; 24 for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were brought to the Lord. 25 Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, 26 and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for an entire year they associated with the church and taught a great many people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called 'Christians'. 27 At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. 28 One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. 29 The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; 30 this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul. 13 1 Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a member of the court of Herod the ruler, and Saul. 2 While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.' 3 Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

Collect of St Barnabas

Generous God,
whose Son Jesus Christ has taught us
that it is more blessed to give than to receive:
help us by the example of your apostle Barnabas,
a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith,
to be generous in our judgements
and unselfish in our service;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



St Barnabas, Juan Martin Cabezalero, 1640

Matthew 10: 7 - 13

7 As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." 8 Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. 9 Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, 10 no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. 11 Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. 12 As you enter the house, greet it. 13 If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you.

Psalms 98

R The Lord will judge the world with righteousness

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory. **R**
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. **R**
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord. **R**
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world, and the peoples with equity. **R**



Saints Paul and Barnabas at Lystra,
Bartholomeus Breenberg, 1637

For All the Saints

St Boniface ~June 5~Bishop of Mainz, Missionary, Martyr

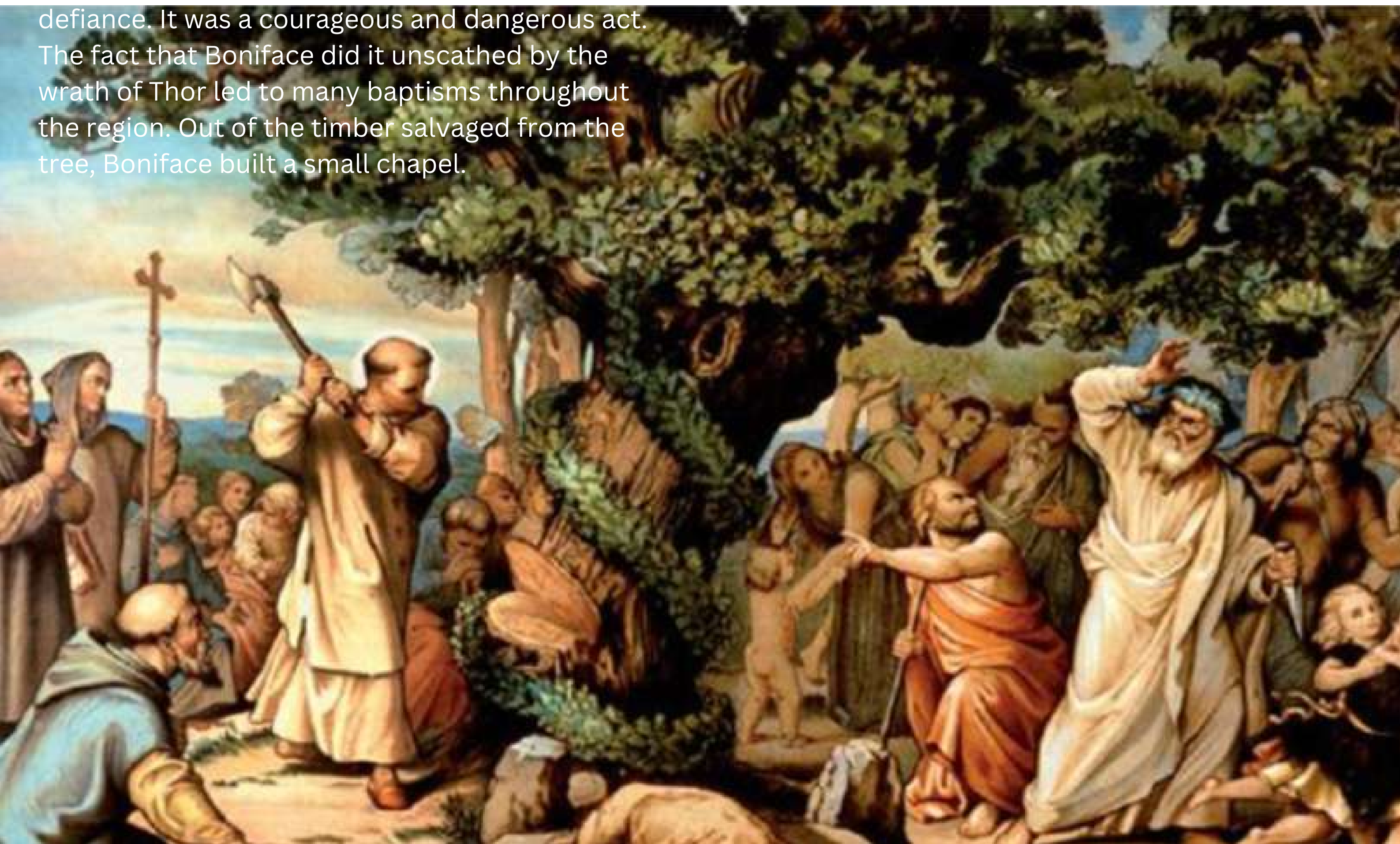
Born about 675 at Crediton in Devon, Boniface as a small child experienced a call to the monastic life. After an uneventful period in a Hampshire monastery, he volunteered to assist Willibrord as a missionary to the Frisians of northern Europe. It was not a successful mission. Following a short break at home in 717, Boniface learned that conditions in Frisia had changed and, going first to Rome to obtain papal authority, he returned to Frisia in 718, never to see Britain again. For over thirty years he laboured as a missionary. Initially he worked alongside Willibrord, but then, at the request of Pope Gregory II, he moved further east to pioneer a gospel ministry among the tribes of northern Germany.

His given name was Winfrith, and it was not until 719 that he took the name Boniface, by which he has become famous. In 722 he was consecrated bishop of Mainz. It was in Hesse in northern Germany that Boniface had the most spectacular success of his career. At Geismar, where he was under the protection of Charles Martel, he began cutting down an ancient oak tree dedicated to the god Thor in the presence of a large number of hostile pagans. His motive was to put an end to idolatry by a definite and dramatic act of

defiance. It was a courageous and dangerous act. The fact that Boniface did it unscathed by the wrath of Thor led to many baptisms throughout the region. Out of the timber salvaged from the tree, Boniface built a small chapel.

An interesting feature of Boniface's ministry was the use he made of women in his missionary work. He was also responsible for forming the monastery at Fulda, which for centuries played a key role in the growth of the church in that part of Europe. In 732 the pope made him arch-bishop of Mainz. In that capacity he instituted reforms in the church in France, in particular establishing the Rule of St Benedict for monasteries in the Carolingian Empire.

At the age of seventy-five Boniface returned to northern Frisia, destroying pagan temples, building churches, and baptising thousands of converts. He died on 5 June 754 at the hands of a pagan band at Dokkum on the banks of a river. Here he had arranged to hold confirmation and baptism services on the eve of Pentecost Sunday. When some of his supporters made to defend themselves, Boniface ordered that no weapons should be used against their attackers. "Lay down your arms, for we are told in Scripture not to render evil for evil but to overcome evil by good."



St Antony of Padua

June 13

Missionary, Preacher, Teacher of the Faith

Although he is called Antony, this great teacher was baptised Ferdinand. He came from a noble Portugese family in Lisbon, where he was born in 1195. He attended the cathedral school in Lisbon, and then at the age of fifteen joined the Augustinian Canons. This order lived in community and engaged in work beyond their own houses. Finding there were too many distractions to his studies, Ferdinand asked permission to live in the priory at Coimbra, where for eight years he devoted himself entirely to prayer and study.

The Franciscan Order was only eleven years old, but had captured the imagination of many and grown rapidly, with an emphasis on poverty and mission, especially to the Moors. In 1220 the relics of five Franciscans who had been martyred in Morocco were brought to the priory. Ferdinand, fired with enthusiasm for the Franciscan ideals, obtained a release from the Augustinian Order and joined the Franciscans in their house of St Antony at Coimbra. He took the name Antony himself.

About the age of twenty-six he went to Morocco, but fell ill soon after his arrival and had to return to Europe. When he set sail for Portugal, a violent storm carried the ship to Messina in Sicily. Here Antony heard of a meeting of the Franciscan General Chapter to be held in Assisi and went there. This was when Brother Elias took over the control of the Franciscan Order.

Antony was sent to a little hospice near Forli, and engaged in the most menial tasks until called upon in an emergency to preach at an ordination. At that point, his remarkable preaching ability and profound learning were revealed. The Franciscans were already taking an interest in the emerging universities. Antony was appointed as the first lector or teacher in theology to the order and taught in succession at Bologna, Montpellier and Toulouse.

But it was through preaching that Antony exercised his greatest influence, drawing people in their thousands from all classes of society. Soon no church could be found to hold the crowds, so he preached in the open air. Much of his preaching was against greed and usury, and he was successful in bringing back to the church many who had fallen away.

Although Antony held office in the Franciscan Order, from 1230 he devoted himself entirely to preaching in and around Padua. He died in 1231 at the early age of thirty-six, worn out by his labours and his travels. He was canonized within a year of his death. Many legends have sprung up concerning his great love of animals, including fish, to whom he preached, and numerous miracles are associated with his relics, which remain in Padua.



Evelyn Underhill

June 15
Mystic

Evelyn Underhill maintained that “mysticism, in its pure form, is the science of ultimates, the science of union with the Absolute, and nothing else, and that the mystic is the person who attains to this union.” Her own life vividly illustrates her own understanding.

Evelyn was born on 6 December 1875 into a well educated but not particularly religious, legal family. She was educated at King’s College, London. In her childhood and youth she herself was a nominal churchgoer, being confirmed at fifteen. Subsequently she ceased worshipping and became an agnostic. Then gradually she returned to belief in God and became a deeply committed worshipper. Papal condemnation of modernism, along with her husband’s persuasion (she married in 1907), dissuaded her from her interest in the Roman Catholic Church, to which she had shown some inclination. Following a religious experience in 1907, which she afterwards referred to as her “conversion”, Evelyn began to study the writings of the mystics and gathered together material for her classic book, *Mysticism* (1911). This was the first of twenty books, in which she developed her central theme - the love of God. In her spiritual pilgrimage, Evelyn was led to meditate deeply on the fact that the way of love is the way of sacrifice:

[Sacrifice] expresses . . . the living heart of religion; the self-giving of the creature to its God. By this self-giving action, man takes his conscious part in the response of the universe to the Source of its being; and unites the small movements of his childish soul to the eternal sacrifice of the Son.

Another theme to which she kept returning was the pursuit of knowledge at the expense of spiritual depth:

The human mind’s thirst for more and more breadth has obscured the human heart’s craving for more and more depth. . . . Our interest rushes out to the furthest limits of the universe, but we seldom take a sounding of the ocean beneath our restless keels.

About the same time as she wrote *Mysticism* she met F. von Hügel, who became her spiritual director. Evelyn herself became heavily involved with people seeking spiritual direction and help, both in person and through her voluminous correspondence. Her advice was invariably sensible and practicable.

From the mid 1920s she was in much demand as a retreat conductor - in days when women conductors of retreats were very rare. In recognition of her capabilities, King’s College made her a fellow of the college in 1927. She continued to be associated with the House of Retreat at Pleshey almost to the end of her life. A true mystic herself, Evelyn was at all times practical and to the point. Her conviction that mysticism showed itself in love of others is reflected in her commitment to socialism and the plight of the poor. She not only wrote books on prayer, worship and mysticism, but produced new translations and editions of older works on the subject, thus introducing many to the classics of western mysticism. Her studies and her response to the First World War led her to become a strong pacifist towards the end of her life. She died in 1941.



"Giving" at St Peter's

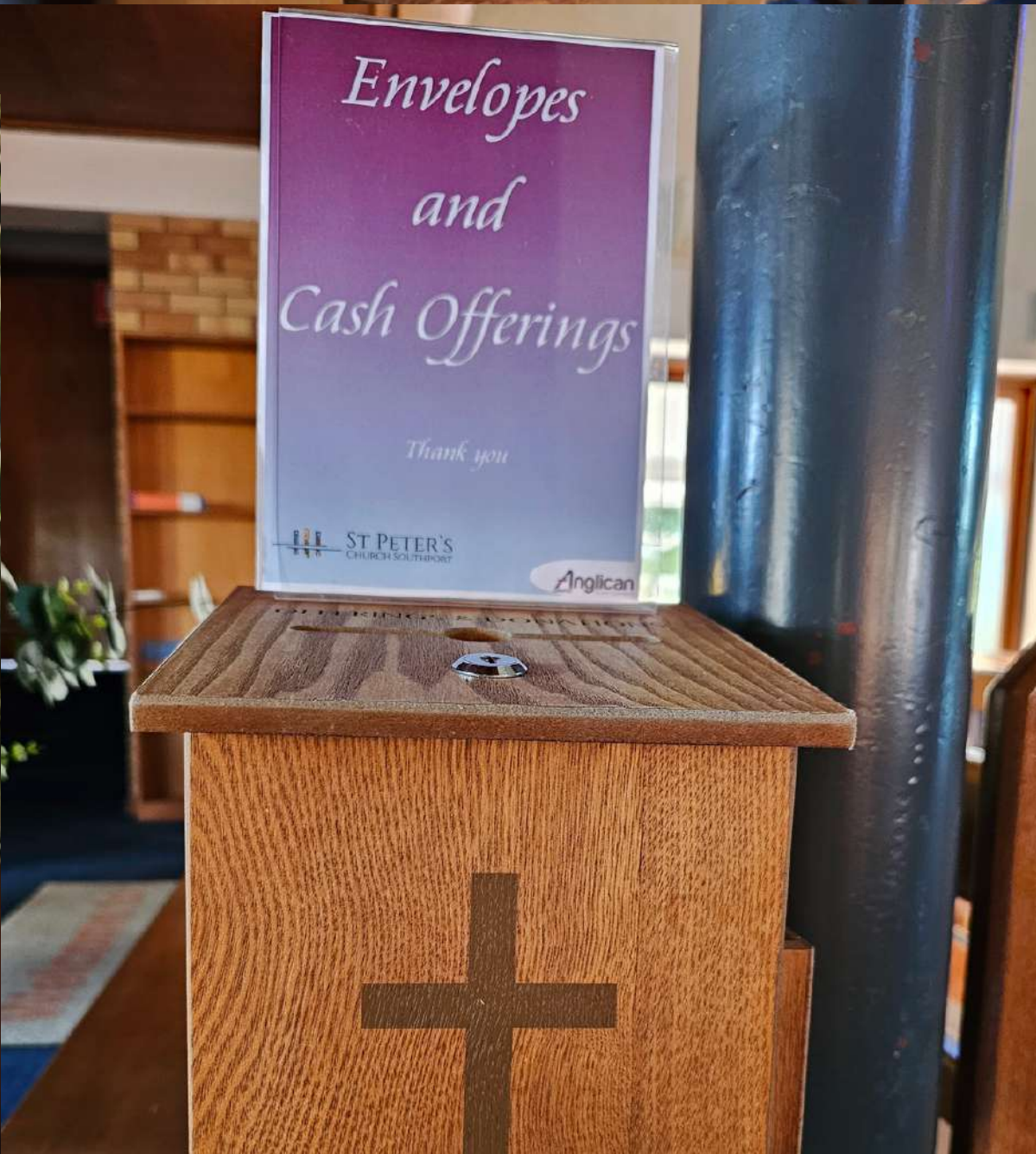


We are very practical here at St Peter's and since the pandemic we have been working hard at St Peter's to offer 'contactless' giving. There are now a number of ways that you can make your giving, including the time-honoured offertory of cash and envelopes. Here is a brief outline of the means by which you can give to the work of the Kingdom of God here at St Peter's.

The QR Code. This is the simplest way of giving. Just scan the code with the camera on your phone and follow the instructions from there.



The Quest "Tap and Go." Perhaps even easier than the QR Code, this simply requires a tap of your card. Our Tap and Go is set at an automatic \$20 donation each time you tap. Feel free to tap it as often as you like!



The Collection Box. Use this box for your cash or envelope donations. It is locked and is cleared regularly. As you enter the main doors of the Church this box is situated on the left-hand side.

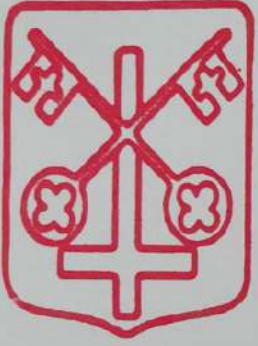
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**ST PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
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MY
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"OFFER UNTO GOD THANKSGIVING"....Psalm 50:14

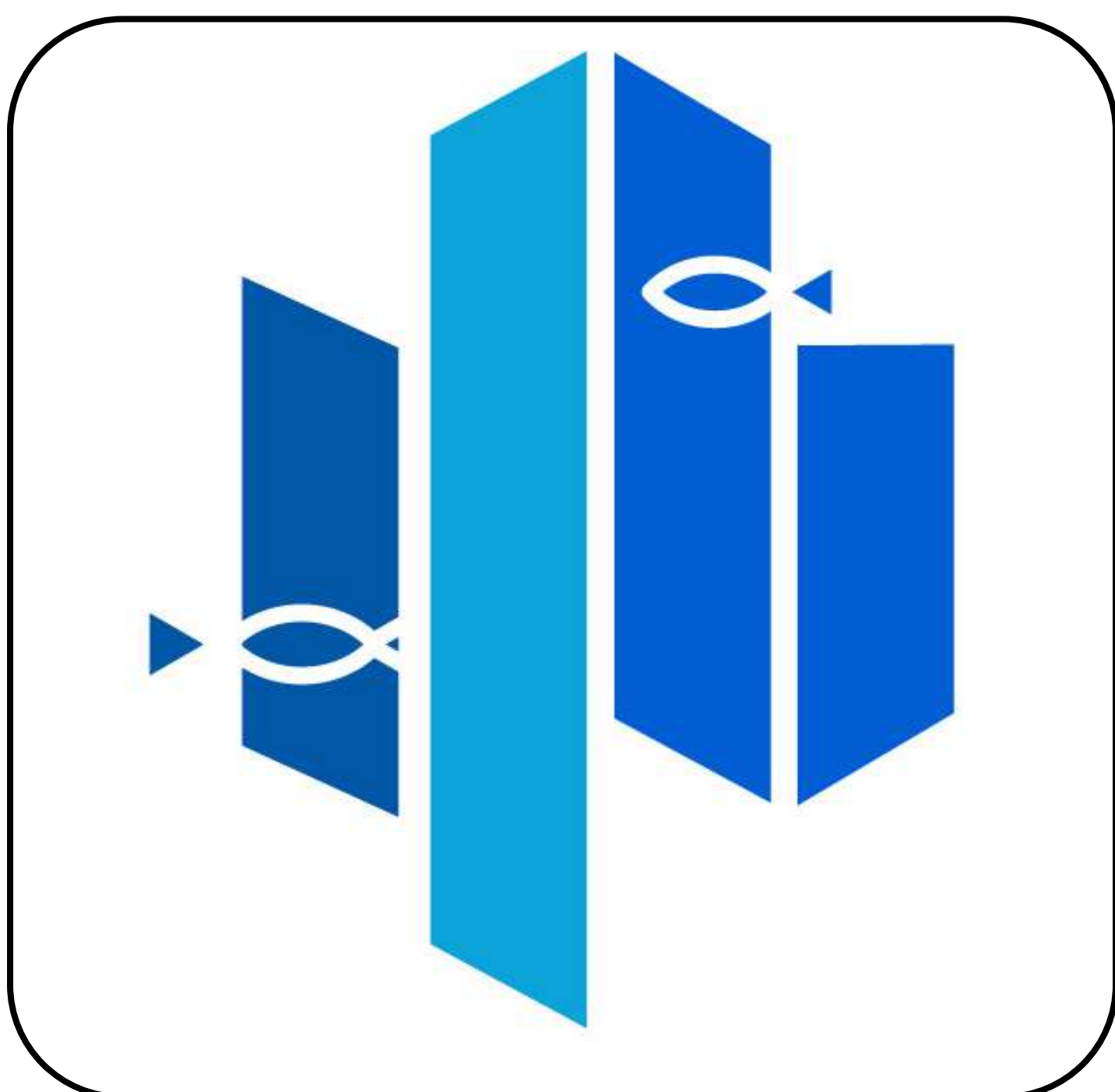
Envelope Giving. Some parishioners still prefer this traditional envelope giving. It provides a tangible reminder each week (or month) and since this means of giving has been around for a long time it has a soft spot in the hearts of the faithful. July is the month for distributing the envelopes for the coming year so we will let you know when the new envelopes are ready for collection. Also, if this is a means of giving that you would like to try, please contact Christine in the office.



Direct Debits can be set up (Christine will be able to help you with this.) There are two (quite similar) Direct Debit processes available. Firstly, a direct debit can be set up to make payments directly *to the parish*.



Secondly, the Direct Debit may be set up to pay ANFIN (the Diocesan 'bank') and they in turn pay us. Please be assured that both work equally well.

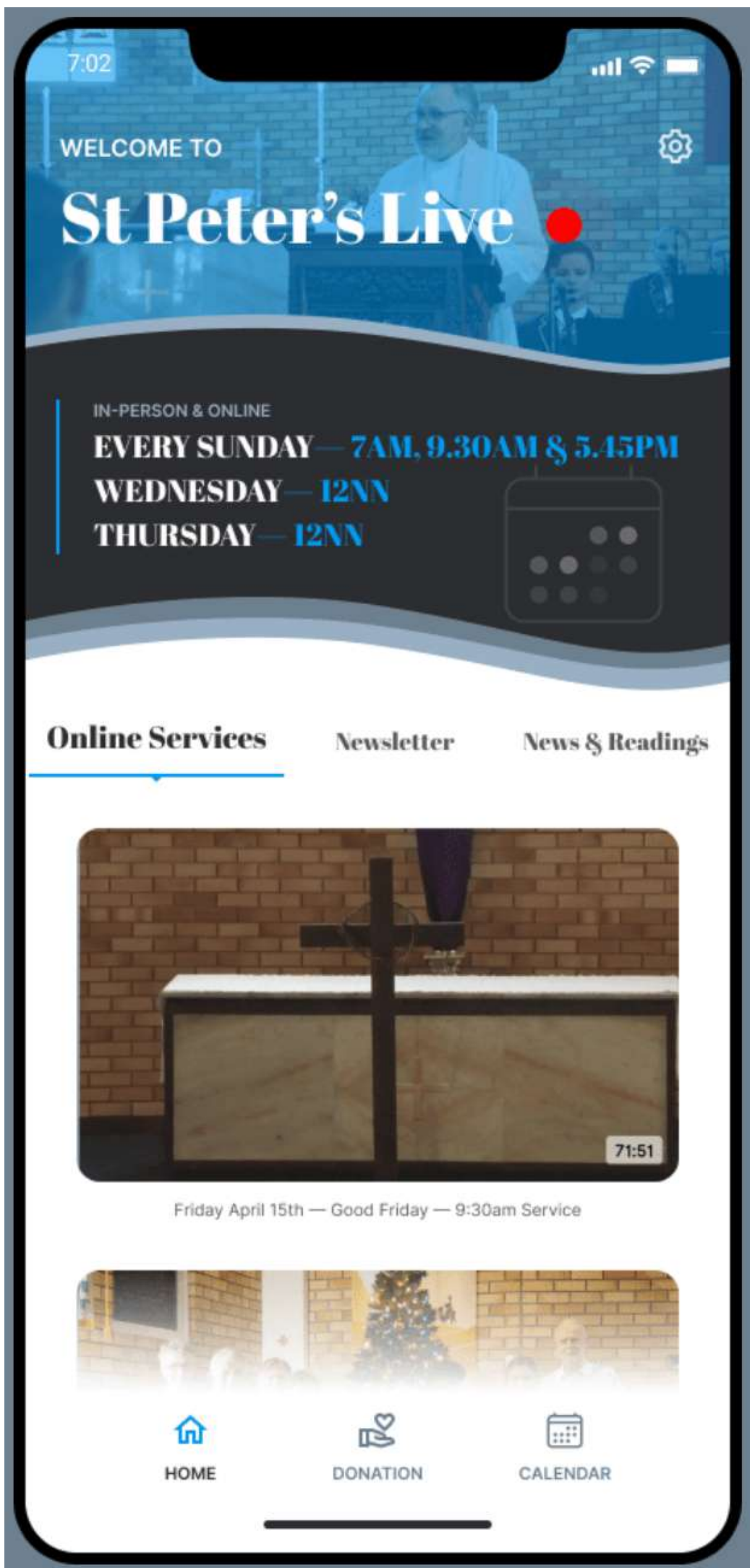


The Parish App. Yes, this is an easy and convenient way to make donations to the Parish. You can download the St Peter's Live app from the *Apple Store* and *Google Play*.

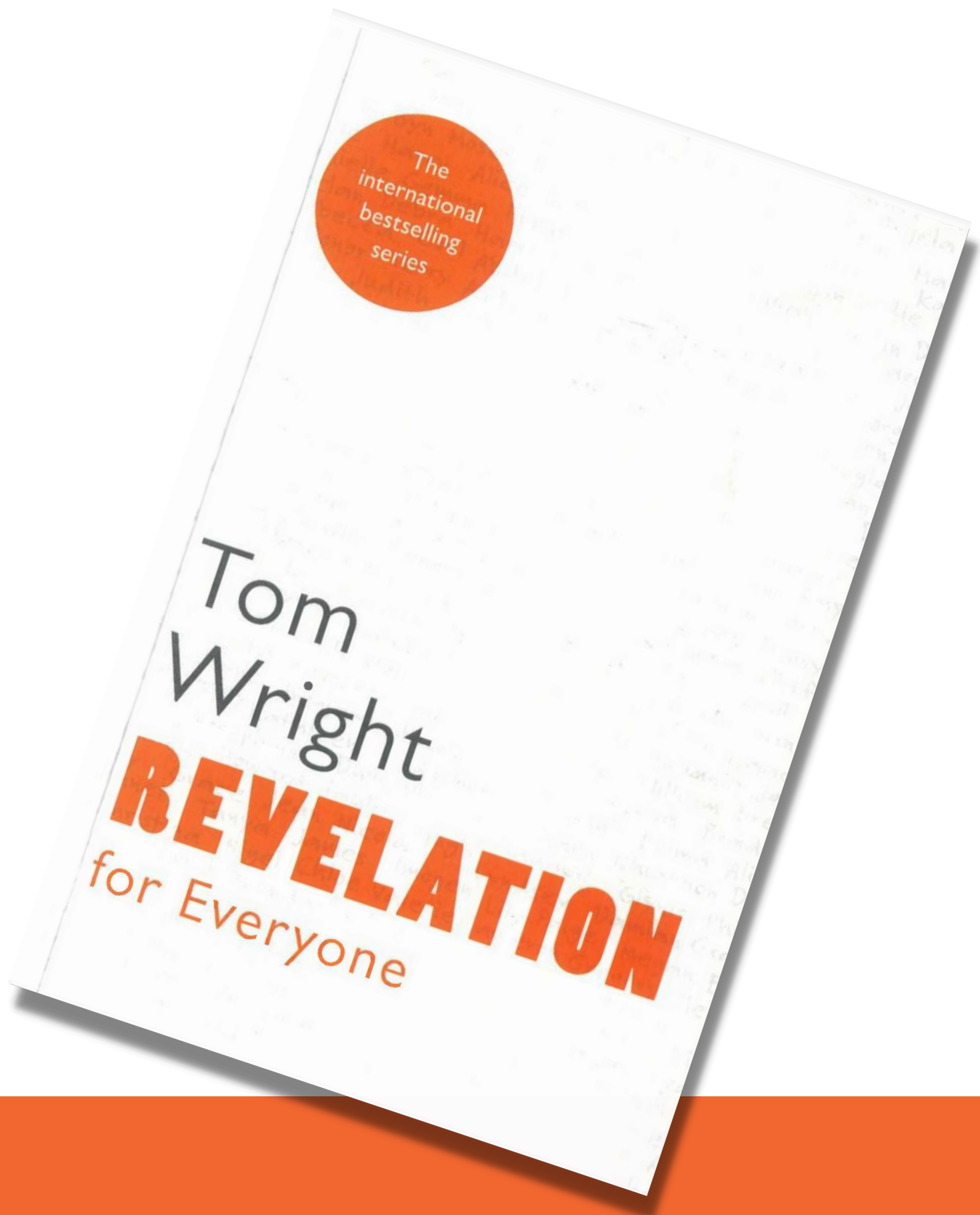
You'll find the same facility on the St Peter's website (www.stpetersgc.org.au). Paying 'online' is also very easy – just ask Christine for the details.

Have you seen...

the "St Peter's Live" parish app?



The **St Peter's Live App** is a great app for watching our live services on. You can catch up on our appointed readings and view our *Key Notes*, the Parish fortnightly e-magazine. It has been updated recently so if you haven't tried it, it is certainly worth a fresh look. Available at the *Apple Store* and *Google Play*.



Wednesday Bible Study

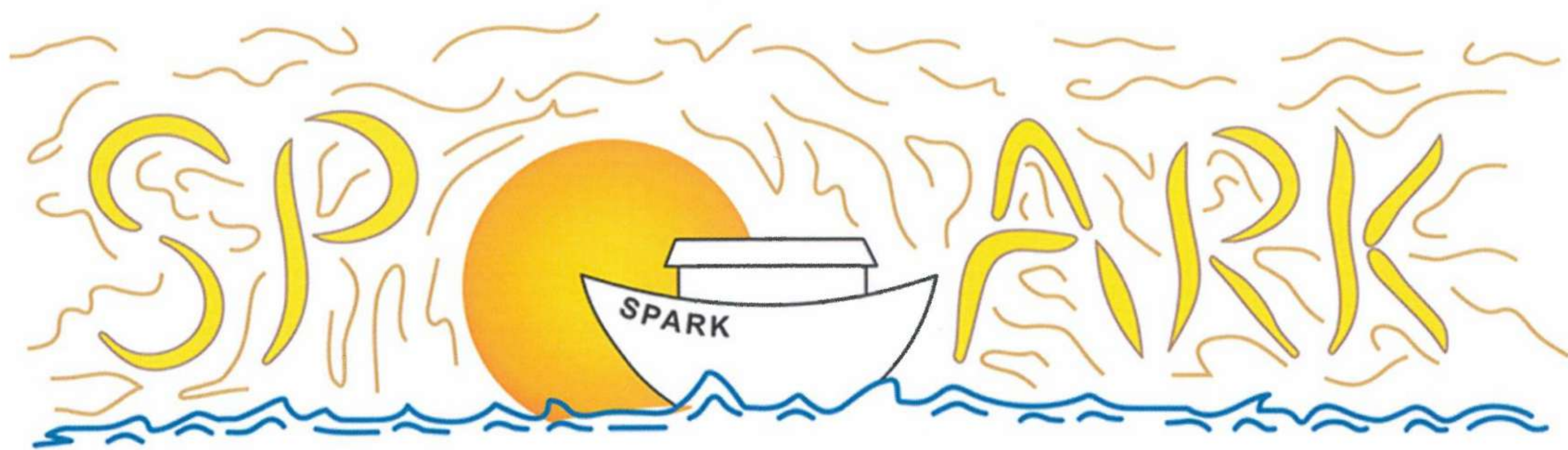
Wednesdays at 11:00 am

(following our 10:00 am Holy Eucharist)

The Book of Revelation.

Join us in person (in the Parish Centre) or Zoom online

– just let us know and we'll send a Zoom invite



St. Peter's. Anglican Religious Kids

It's time!

It's been a long Covid break for our Sunday School arrangements here at St Peter's but it's time to restart our 'SPARK' Sunday School program. We are looking at beginning on the first Sunday of term 3, i.e.,

Sunday 9th July, at our 9:30 service.

First things first. We have a nucleus of those willing to coordinate and run this simple 30-minute commitment every Sunday during the school terms, *but we will need more folk please.* The intention is that those who offer will be used once a month (or less frequently than that if we have a good number of volunteers.)

To meet the starting date, though, we need to process the necessary paperwork of those who are interested *as soon as possible.* So, if you are interested, please contact Christine or Jill Parker as soon as possible.

We are very excited about restarting SPARK and would ask you to hold this special church ministry in your prayers please.

Save the Date!

Sunday 25th June,

11:00am - 1:30pm

St Peter's Patronal Festival

A short concert by the

Cornerstone Chorus

~followed by a light lunch~



Admission to Holy Communion

For parents of children who attend worship regularly at St Peter's but who do not yet receive the Eucharist:

On 16 July

we will be admitting a small number of children Holy Communion.

Please contact Christine in the office if you would like to have your child Admitted to Holy Communion

St Peter's Church Southport, is a welcoming, hospitable community committed to the worship of God in beauty and holiness in the classical Anglican tradition.

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SERVICES

Sunday

7:00am: Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9:30am: Holy Eucharist (APBA)

5:45pm: Holy Eucharist (APBA)

5:45pm: Choral Evensong

(2nd Sunday of the month)

Weekday Eucharist

10:00am – Wednesday

12:00pm – Thursday