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WE CAN BE COUNTED ON (twice!) in 2026

Census 1: AUSTRALIAN CENSUS (ABS 2026)

Tuesday 11 August is the snapshot evening for your household to be counted in this important 5-yearly opportunity to contribute to how Australia is described, in developing future policy for the Australian community.



Census 2: NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY (NCLS) 2026

On Sun 13 Sept, our congregation along with thousands of other Australian faith communities will collate details about how we go about our Christian calling: this helps locally (as well as nationally) in developing strategies for strong worship and mission health.

MONDAY MORNING MOVIES August 3, 10:30 upstairs at Cinema Nova

Rod Quantock: Comedy Warriort



This feature documentary from Fiona Cochrane (Whoopee Blues) charts groundbreaking Australian comedian Rod Quantock's five-decade career and his tireless efforts to communicate the perils of neoliberalism and the urgency of climate change through humour. His journey illustrates the building of the thriving comedy landscape we take for granted today, showcasing a man who has remained steadfast in his pursuit of truth in an hilarious fashion. Featuring insights from comedy greats including Wil Anderson, Judith Lucy and John Clarke, ROD QUANTOCK: COMEDY WARRIOR is a fascinating reflection of how one person had an immeasurable impact on the wider Australian culture.

3 SONGS FOR 3CR 2026

**Sunday 2 August, 2pm
Church of All Nations**

In our annual fundraiser for 3CR, The Boite features community choirs who generously donate their songs in a fabulous concert, before enthusiastic audiences, to support Melbourne's legendary community radio station – 3CR this year turning 50!

Book tickets [here!](#)





WHAT KIND OF LEADERSHIP DOES AUSTRALIA NEED?

The focus question 'Conversations that matter' in lead up to the Vic State election. Over 3 evenings, conversations about wealth inequality & economic leadership, political & ethical leadership & the values that undergird them all.

1. **4th August** - What is the economic leadership Australia needs? Talking about wealth inequality with Jonathan Cornford (Mannagum) & Catherine de Fortenay (Commissioner, Productivity Commission).
2. **15th September** - What kind of moral leadership does Australia need? - Tim Costello & Jessica Hateley-Browne (Exec Director Mission & Equity at Uniting VicTas)
3. **20th October** - What kind of political leadership does Australia need? - Bronwyn Pike & Paul Strangio.

TIME: 5.30 pm doors open/drinks served (*Ticket includes light refreshments)

6.00 - 7.30 pm Panel discussion

VENUE: 'The School house' Wesley Place (next door Caretakers Cottage bar), 130 Lonsdale St, Melbourne

COST: \$25 (full) or \$12.50 for students each session. Information and registration [here](#).

Choristry Presents There and Back Again Songs of Travel

Daniel Brinsmead, Director
Toni Lalich, Pianist

3:00 PM

Sunday 9 August

St. John's Anglican Church

5 Finch Street,
Malvern East

7:30 PM

Saturday 15 August

Church of All Nations

180 Palmerston Street,
Carlton

Scan the QR Code or visit
www.choristry.org/concerts
for tickets or more information.



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The Assembly is delighted to announce the appointment of Hannah Jackson to the newly created role of Director, Advocacy & Justice.

She will commence her role with the Assembly in September.



Click [here](#) to download this week's National Update,
or sign up to get the latest news and content on Uniting Church activities on your inbox every week on Wednesdays [here](#)

LABOURISM AND THE COMMON GOOD: AUSTRALIA'S DEMOCRATIC POST-LIBERAL TRADITION

FRIDAY, 28 AUG

12:30 PM–1:30 PM

Contemporary debates about post-liberalism are often framed as a reaction against the excesses of neoliberalism and the cultural individualism of the late liberal settlement. Calls to recover the common good, re-embed markets within society, restore the dignity of work, and rebuild institutions of belonging have gained traction across both the political left and right. This paper argues that Australia need not import these ideas from Britain, Europe or the United States because it already possesses a distinctive democratic post-liberal tradition: labourism.

Speaker: Dr Nick Dyrenfurth

Executive Director, John Curtin Research Centre, Monash University, Regular Contributor to The Australian.

[Register to join in-person or by Zoom](#)

In-person: Grant Room, Old Warden's Lodge (Gate C), Trinity College, 100 Royal Parade Parkville

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WHAT IS THE CHURCH?



SATARA'S STORY: LISTENING FOR JUSTICE

For Satara Uthayakumaran, advocacy has never been about having the loudest voice in the room. It has always begun with listening.

At just 24, the lifelong member of North Ryde Uniting Church has already built an impressive resumé of public service. In 2025, Satara served as Australia's Youth Representative to the United Nations, travelling thousands of kilometres to hear directly from young people in every state and territory before taking their stories to the world's highest diplomatic forums.

Whether she was sitting with young people in remote First Nations communities, youth detention centres or regional towns, Satara was guided by the same belief: every person deserves to be heard.

It is a conviction deeply rooted in her Christian faith and her life in the Uniting Church.

"I think I was two when my parents started taking me to North Ryde Uniting," she says. "I've been there for a long time."

Her parents, Luther and Surjani, migrated from Sri Lanka, bringing with them a faith shaped by justice and compassion during the country's civil war.

"When I talked to my parents about why they chose North Ryde specifically, I think it was because they found that the Uniting Church was really closely tied with the kind of social justice Christianity that they were really used to."



Those values were part of everyday life in the Uthayakumaran household.

"My parents brought us up talking about these kinds of issues at the dinner table," Satara says. "A lot of the human rights struggles that happened in Sri Lanka were common conversations that we had all the time."

Alongside those discussions over meals was another experience that shaped her. As the older sister of Karuka, who lives with disability, Satara grew up in a caring role.

"I think growing up as a young carer, you have to become an advocate very early on in your life," she reflects. "One of the things I get asked quite often is, 'When did you become an advocate?' I'm kind of like, I didn't really become an advocate. I think it was always just part of being a good big sister."

Those experiences gave her an early understanding of injustice, but also a determination to respond to it with care and courage. Just as important was the church community that nurtured her.

Read more of Satara's story [here!](#)

CAN 3-week worship roster to 16 Aug 2026:

	2 August GREEN Pentecost 10 <i>Holy Communion</i>	9 August GREEN Pentecost 11	16 August GREEN Pentecost 12			2 August GREEN Pentecost 10 <i>Holy Communion</i>	9 August GREEN Pentecost 11	16 August GREEN Pentecost 12
<u>Preacher</u>	Rod B	Rod B	Rob B		<u>Property</u>	Ian B	Ken T Evan R	Ken T Evan R
<u>Liturgy or Prayers</u>	Rod B	David H	Jill T		<u>Offering</u>	Ian B Noyuri L	Ken T Ethan K	Ken T Shiny I
<u>PP Prep</u>	Rod B	Evan R	Jill T		<u>Hosp 1</u>	Pam K	Jean E	Julie P
<u>Music</u>	Jean E	Jean E	Adam D		<u>Hosp 2</u>	Leah B	Coco C	Noyuri L
<u>Camera</u>	Ethan K	Jeff J	Ethan R		<u>Flowers</u>	Greta B	Greta B	Jill T
<u>Read</u>	Greta B	Evan R	Kate E		<u>HC</u>	Shiny I	-	-
<u>AV</u>	Ian B	Ken T Sue C	Ken T		<u>Chn Min</u>	?	Jill T Ken T	Kate E Mark S
<u>Greet</u>	Shirley J Mac N	Jill T	Pam K					

COMING UP THIS MONTH WITH CAN

Sunday 2 August @ 10.00am - Worship, Holy Communion with Rev Rod Brown @ CAN Church

Tuesday 4 August @ 6.00-7.30pm - Conversations that matter: 1 in Wesley Place School House

Wednesday 5 August @ 7.45-8.15am - online weekly Holy Communion

@ 10.30-11.00am - monthly worship at Rathdowne Place Aged Care

@ 7.00pm - Church Council meets online

Sunday 9 August @ 10.00pm - Worship with Rev Rod Brown in CAN Church

Tuesday 11 August, evening - National Census survey to be completed

Wednesday 12 August @ 7.30pm - Yoorrook for Disciples study group - online

Wednesday 19 August @ 2.00pm - monthly worship at Redmond Park Retirement Village

@ 4.30pm - Elders meet online

Sunday 23 August @ 12.00pm - Pastoral Carers support group at CAN

Friday 28 August @ 6.30-8.30pm - Church Family shared meal in home of ? any offers?

EARLY WEDNESDAY ONLINE HOLY COMMUNION

Every Wednesday from 7.45 to 8.15am - all are welcome to participate in this weekly, quiet, reflective service online. Each provides their own piece of bread & wine/juice.

A fresh zoom link is being used for 2026:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86729575044?pwd=4o9MhCnwWtQAWX6c0qMHaqGDa9THbP.1>

Meeting ID: 867 2957 5044

Passcode: 404804



CAN Congregation - Offerings to the Church of All Nations Parish Mission

Your offerings support the ministry and mission of the congregation. The Congregation budget contributes the major component of the Community Support budget as well as ministry costs and other mission support.

Offerings can be made during the church service OR by regular bank transfer. Bank transfers can be regular as weekly, fortnightly, monthly Offerings, OR as an occasional offering

Bank details are:

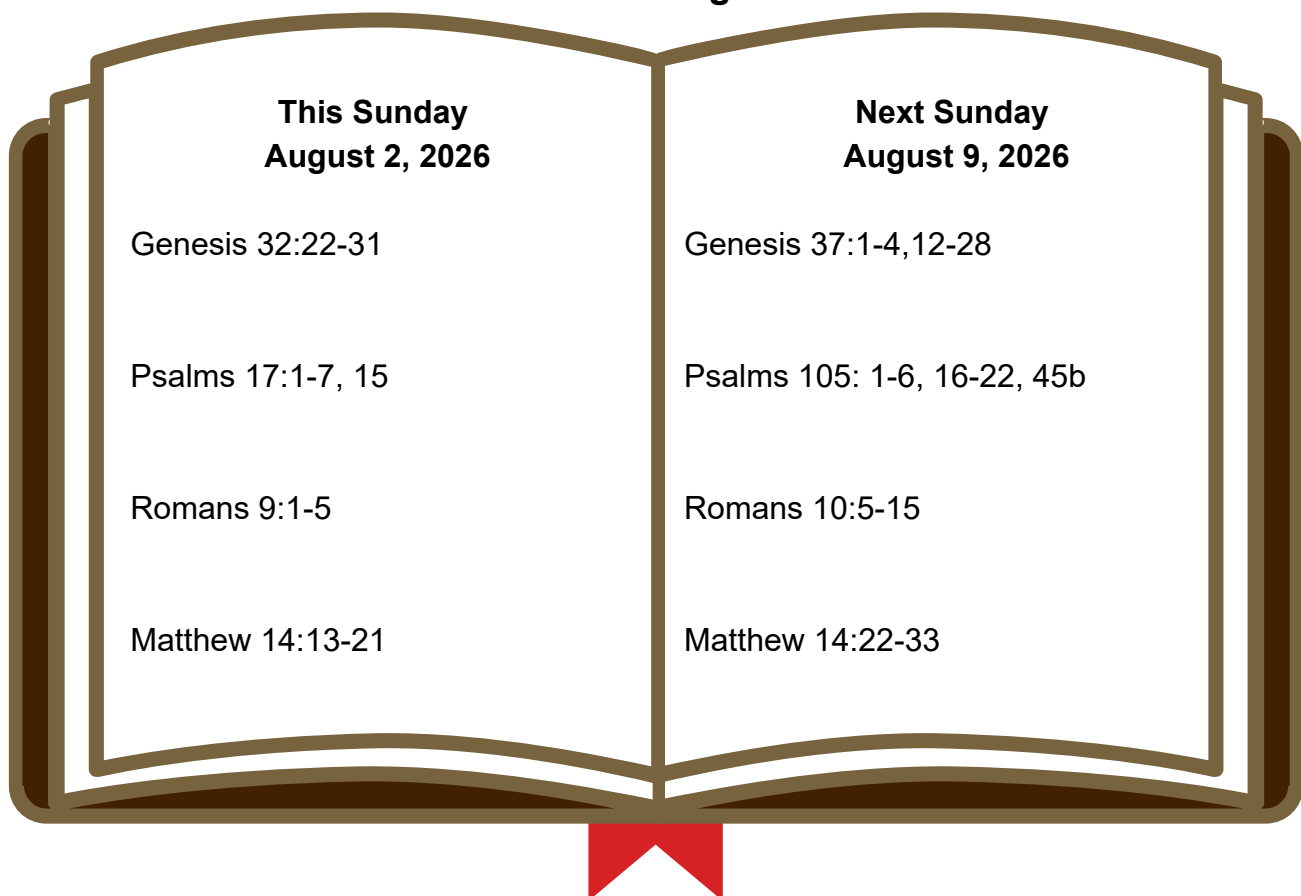
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Lectionary Bible Readings



Donations to CAN Community Support

Donations to CAN Community Support are tax deductible and can be made online at www.givenow.com.au/canparishmission, in person at CAN Community Support's Administration Office (Tuesday - Thursday) in the CCS Centre, OR by bank transfer as follows:

Bendigo Bank BSB: 633000

Account No: 191170380

Name: CAN Community Support

