



## PROFILE— PAT & KEN HANDLEY

Pat and Ken were both born in Birmingham, UK. Pat had one brother and Ken a brother and sister. They remember the war, bombs and air raid shelters. Ken did not see his father until he was 10 years old. Pat attended Stratford Road Primary School and then Conway Road Secondary Modern before training as a Nursery Nurse followed by State Enrolled Nurse, State Registered Nurse and Midwifery nurse. Her childhood involved Brownies, Guides, Sunday School, bible study group, choir and youth group. She remembers being

paid 2/6 for singing in the choir for weddings. Ken attended Twickenham Road Primary School and Aston Commercial Secondary School before becoming a warehouse clerk until old enough to train as a nurse in the hospital. It was at this time that he met Pat. They married in 1960 and had two children—Neil and Sarah, and now have two grandchildren. Ken became a Nursing Unit Manager before transferring in 1966 to the School Education centre for nurse training. He completed a Technical Teachers course and then went to London University where he completed a Post Graduate Diploma of Health Science and a Bachelor of Adult Education. He also later gained a Bachelor of Arts (Social Science) from Deakin by external studies. They came to Australia in 1977 for Ken to take a position at the Ballarat Hospital with Pat also gaining a night shift position. They became immersed in the just commenced Uniting Church including helping in the Sunday School and running a youth group. They both also undertook counselling with the Drug and Alcohol Centre for 3 years. In 1984 they moved to Paynesville and both worked at the Bairnsdale Hospital and Pat an Aged Care facility. Next was to Warrnambool for another teaching hospital position for Ken and work in the hospital for Pat. In 1992 they both retired and with Sarah in Geelong found Clifton Springs as the new home and involvement in our church. As Pat says they are only involved in a few things in the church! For both it includes the Op Shop since it started almost 20 years ago. Pat is a member of the choir, UCAF, service leader, and pastoral carer. Ken is Secretary of the Property Team, an elder and a service leader for both W@9 and also 10.45. They both attend Probus and enjoy reading and the daily crossword. Why do they attend church? They have always felt a strong affiliation with God based on foundations laid at Sunday School and still enjoyed today.



**Redemption is God's recycling plan.**

### **This month's services**

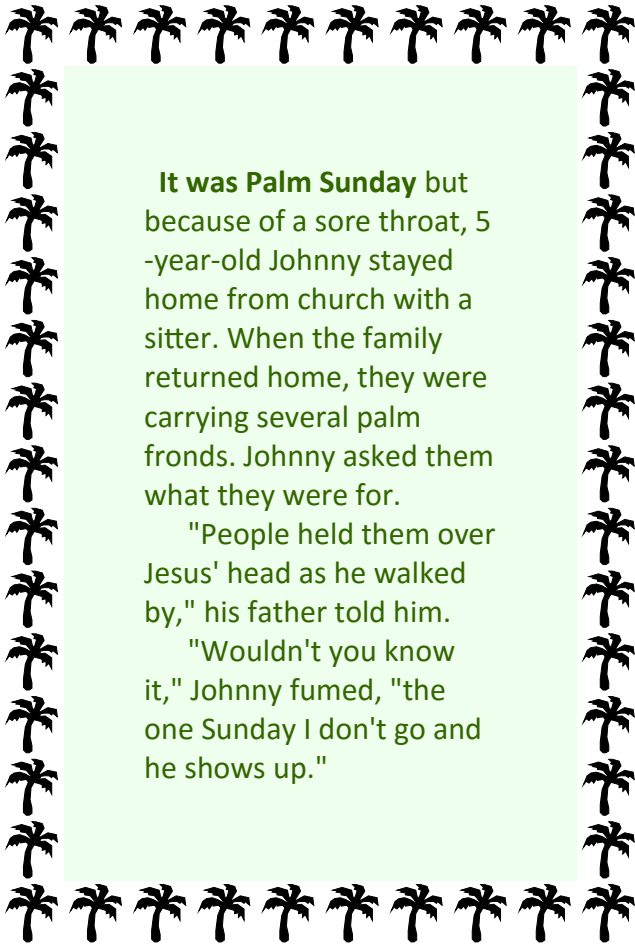
3 July — 9.00 am Jenni's Team with  
Rev Margaret Manning HC  
10.45 am Rev Margaret Manning HC

10 July — 9.00 am Wayne's Team  
10.45 am Rev Margaret Manning

17 July — 9.00 am Denise's Team  
10.45 am Rev Bob Thomas

24 July — 9.00 am Graeme's Team  
10.45 am Graeme's Team

31 July — 10.15 am Combined service  
Rev Bob Thomas



**It was Palm Sunday** but because of a sore throat, 5-year-old Johnny stayed home from church with a sitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds. Johnny asked them what they were for.

"People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by," his father told him.

"Wouldn't you know it," Johnny fumed, "the one Sunday I don't go and he shows up."

## MESSY CHURCH

We had a great Messy Church in June—making mummy bananas, laurel wreath, star of David hangers, drawing like Michelangelo on our backs, marbling glasses, patriotic wind spinner and drink coasters—all with discussions about the multi-cultural theme.

The next is on 14 August when the theme is "Recycle." What bible verses will prompt our discussion questions?



## SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Ken Handley who celebrates his 80th birthday this month and Bob Thomas who celebrates his 70th birthday.

We will celebrate with a special birthday tea at the Clifton Springs Golf Club at 6.00 pm on Sunday 17 July. Please indicate on the sheet in the foyer if you would like to attend.



**Happy birthday!**

### JULY

Ken Handley	11th Jul
Tony Freemantle	11th Jul
Alma Milvain	20th Jul
Marguerite Edgar	25th Jul
Angela Tutty	26th Jul
Bob Thomas	28th Jul



**Happy birthday!**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**



6 July – 1.00 pm Communal Prayer  
 16 July—8.00 am Prayer Breakfast  
 17 July—6.00 pm Special Birthday Tea  
 20 July – 1.00 pm Communal Prayer

10.45	KITCHEN	DOOR	READING	ELDER/PRAYERS
JUL 3	Pat & Ken	Brenda	Harvey	Jen
10	Marg & John	Brenda	Merrilyn	Pat
17	Pat & Ken	Ken	Tony	Bob T
24	Val & Audrey	Ken	W@9 Team	John Macg
31	W@9	Marg Macg	Jenni	John Macg

W@9	KITCHEN	COUNTING	FLOWERS
JUL 3	Wayne's Team	Ian	Margaret Freemantle
10	Jenni's Team	Colleen	Colleen Diamond
17	Graeme's Team	Jonnie	Wayne Myers
24	Denise's Team	Jenni	Jonnie Mander
31	W@9		Brenda Jacobs

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