

SERVICE TIMES FOR THE PARISH

CHURCH SERVICE TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

St. David's

Every Sunday

9.00 Holy Communion

On the second Sunday in month at St David's:

9.00 Holy Communion

10.30 SALT ...

SALT = SHARING AND LEARNING TOGETHER

This is a specially designed time to be a means of outreach to younger (and older) people. We incorporate bright contemporary music, drama, coffee etc.

St. Oswald's

Every Sunday

11.00 Holy Communion

except the second Sunday of the month: (We meet at St David's)

Every Wednesday

10.00 A Healing Service with Holy Communion

Parking at St David's:

Please don't park your vehicles in the supermarket car park.
There is room behind the church if space is a problem at the front.

Every Monday – Would you like to have a chat with Ross?

In addition to the usual parish activities, every Monday between 3.00 and 5.00, Ross is available at the Parish Office (St David's Riverside) for parishioners to come and have a chat with him.

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the Truth
and
the Life

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Heart to Heart....

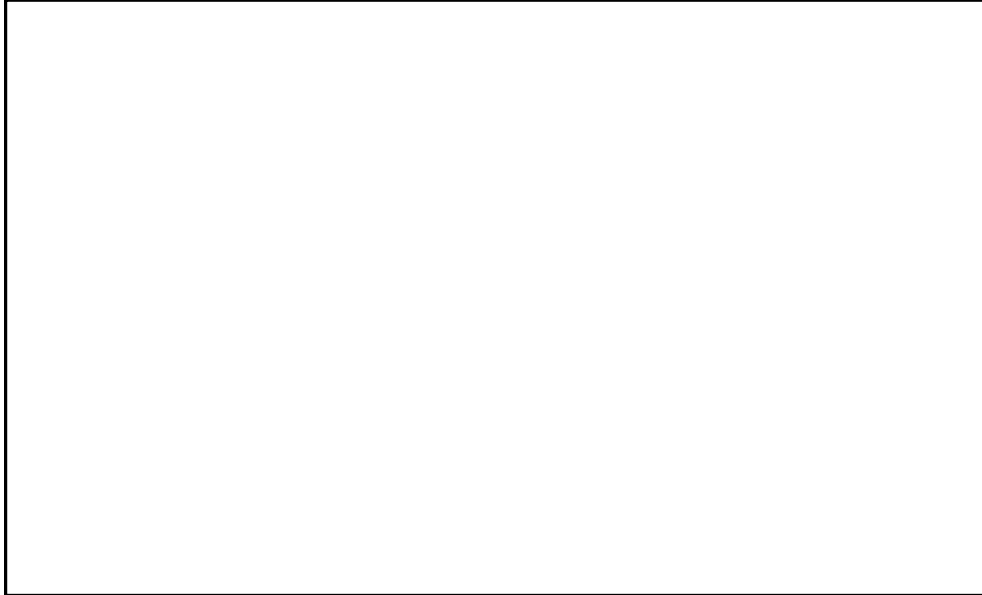
The World in Which we Live

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HOME GROUPS

Tues	10am	Marie Igglesdon's group - 6327 3993
	7.30pm	Gregory's home group. - 6331 9723
		Bullard's Home Group - 6331 8968
Wed	7.30pm	The home group meets at the Jordan's home. - 6327 2968



PARISH BUDGET

What's on this month

- Thurs 14** 10am Parents and Toddlers – St David’s Hall
- Sun 10** 7.00 Parish Council – St David’s
- Thurs 14 8.00 SALT leaders’ meeting at the Lawrence’s home
- Mon 18** 2.30 Cadorna House - Holy Communion
- Thur 21** 1.45 Holy Communion at Tamar Park

Prayer matters:

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

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| Chris Igglesden | Jan Menzie | Margot Sutton | Luke Bennett |
| Audrey Campbell | Mary Roberts | Nancy Roper | Margaret Thow |
| Richard Menzie | Don Wilson | Hazel Holt | Betty Stevenson Ka- |
| ren Ryan | Judy McGhie | Barbara Minahan | |
| Oliver Gregory - Ross' father | | Gwen Flint | Mary Turner |
| Ryan Patterson (Melb – 3 y.o. with brain tumour) | | | Gayelene Harrower |
| Bonnie Beveridge (Jenny Pedley's mother) | | | Ted Thompson |

HOMES FOR THE ELDERLY and HOSPITALS

St Vincents

MINISTRY AREAS

- Parish Council and Wardens
- Administration Team
- Prayer Teams – Riverside and Trevallyn

PARISHES

Launceston North – Roger Hesketh –
as they participate in a Parish Consultation

MISSIONS and MISSIONARIES

PARISH MISSION – with the Parishes of St Aidans and Launceston North
Jeff and Ruth Murnane – the missionaries

City Mission; Anglicare; Salvation Army and others ...
SU – Scripture Union;

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- more rain

MISSION DEVELOPMENT IN THE DIOCESE

Mission Support Officers – Geoff, Kevin, Jed, Neil, Gilbert, Ross + Alister

THANK YOU ...

On behalf of the Parish Council, Bishop John and the organisers of the National Church Life Survey, a sincere thank you is extended to you for participating in the survey.

To ensure that confidentiality was preserved, no one in the parish was permitted to read the recorded information – including the Rector. This has been complied with.

In early 2001, we will receive a report showing the profiles of the two congregations in our parish. As more information is compiled from surveys across Australia, along with information from the National Census, more information will be distributed in due time which will keep us informed about trends that are emerging in the National Church.

TEN THINGS THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE ...

Over the next months there will be sheets placed in the ECHO and each church in the parish under the general heading "TEN THINGS THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE". This is a summary of information gathered from the last National Church Life Survey.

1. Discover a sense of vision and direction

Growing congregations are more likely to have a clear vision, goals or direction for the future.

Growing congregations have a large number of attenders committed to the vision.

Congregations that are growing or attracting newcomers:

- put a lot of prayer into direction setting .
- evaluate their progress
- take into account the local community in which they are placed.

2. Focus on those beyond the church

A congregation that's solely focused on regular attenders is less likely to grow than one focused on people beyond church life.

Congregations where leaders main role is seen as being the conduct of worship and pastoral care are less likely to be growing than those where the leaders role is seen as reaching the unchurched.

Growing congregations tend to have a large number of attenders who place value on outreach to the unchurched or wider community care as part of their church involvement.

In Anglican churches most attenders place most emphasis on worship and nurture than on outreach

The church must foster an outward focus and build better connections with those on the edges of congregational life.

Growing churches listen carefully to people on the 'edges' who are drifting in

or out.

Growing churches tap the experience and views of newcomers.