

Help Wanted



Child Evangelism Fellowship will be starting Good News Clubs here in Launceston.

If you would like to be part of this fun and meaningful outreach of a weekly Bible Club at Riverside or another area school, there will be training on Saturday, February 27 1:00-4:30 p.m. at the Bible Society of Australia.

Come get equipped to reach children for Christ. If you want to listen to children say their memory verses, teach the Bible, help a small group with their craft, sing, lead a fun quiz game, serve tea, or just be available to talk to any interested children about their relationship with Jesus there is a place for you in Good News Club.

Ring Stephanie at 0400971767 for more information.

Mentors Needed

Josh is looking for anyone interested in becoming a Kids Hope mentor.

If you would like to be involved in this exciting ministry, or if you would like more info please contact Josh 0438 681404

An American Goes To Oz

Randy, a Texan farmer goes to Australia for a vacation. There he meets Darryl, an Aussie farmer, and gets talking. Dazza the Aussie shows off his big wheat field and the Texan says, 'Oh yeah. We have wheat fields that are at least twice as large.'

Then they walk around the ranch a little, and Dazza shows off his herd of cattle. Then Randy immediately says, 'We have longhorns that are at least twice as large as your cows.'

The conversation has, meanwhile, almost died when the Texan sees a herd of kangaroos hopping through the field and so he asks with amazement, 'And what are those?!'

'Randy', the Aussie replies with an incredulous look, 'Don't you have any grasshoppers in Texas mate?!'



That is why the LORD says,
"Turn to me now, while there is time.
Give me your hearts.
Come with fasting, weeping, and mourning.
Don't tear your clothing in your grief, but tear your hearts instead."
Return to the LORD your God, for he is merciful and compassionate,
slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.

Joel 2: 12,13 ^{NLT}

**MAKE
THESE
40DAYS
HOLY**



14th
February

News for the Pews

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**Growing a community of faith
committed to Christ and making him known**

Information & Church family news
for the congregations of
St David's & St Oswald's

First Sunday in Lent

Traditionally Lent is the forty days prior to the great festival of Easter and is used to instruct candidates for baptism. During Lent Christians reflect on the reality of sin and death that has spoiled God's good creation and the remedy that he has provided.

On the first Easter Sunday the risen Lord Jesus rebuked his bewildered followers for not understanding the necessity of his death and resurrection and on the need to evangelise the nations. The divine plan should have been evident to them, not only from his teaching, but also because; "everything written about me in the law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Luke 24:44. Rather than providing a few messianic nuggets scattered throughout the Old Testament Jesus teaches that the whole Bible is about himself from beginning to end.

From "Jesus in all the Scriptures" - Anthony H. Nichols

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Praise for:

- ✠ June Hazzlewood is recovering well and hopes to be back after two weeks rest
- ✠ A meaningful Harvest Festival service, well done to all who contributed in many ways
- ✠ God's abounding grace

Pray for:

- ✠ Our nation over the next forty days, for an attitude of penitence in both ourselves and our nation's leaders
- ✠ Meaning and purpose would come from the Lenten studies of our home groups
- ✠ Refugees worldwide. Pray also for those refugees seeking asylum in churches within Australia, and the priests offering this
- ✠ The upcoming World Day of Prayer service, and for the people of Cuba
- ✠ The Royal Commission into institutional child abuse as they conclude and hand down their findings. Pray especially for all the abuse victims and the pain these memories bring

Continue to pray for:

- ✠ Kathy Suttar as she awaits her postponed operation
- ✠ Rain around the state & around the country
- ✠ Our firefighters who are still battling a huge number of blazes in rugged terrain
- ✠ 3 new families for St Oswald's & St David's
- ✠ Bishop elect Richard Condie
- ✠ Josh, James, Job, Roger & Anne
- ✠ Tim, Emma, Sophie & Jake in SE Asia
- ✠ Pray often for each other, especially:
 - ✠ Bill & Bev ✠ Margot ✠ Rona
 - ✠ Robin ✠ Dick & Jo ✠ Joan Wilkins
 - ✠ Roger & Julianne ✠ Ian, Helen & Sarah
 - ✠ Alison ✠ Marie ✠ Pat & Val
 - ✠ Jan & Bill, Richard ✠ Peter Bennett

What's going on?

Shared Luncheon - Sunday 21st February, 12 for 12:30pm at David & Ann Collings' home, 19 Chevron Place, Riverside. We look forward to seeing as many as possible

Ray Metcalfe from Prison Fellowship - on Sunday 28th February, 2:30pm Ray will be speaking at the George Town Combined Churches Service in St Mary Magdalene's Church, 3 Anne St, George Town. Come along to hear about the great work being done in our prisons. All welcome, afternoon tea will follow the service

World Day of Prayer - Friday 4th March 10:00am at St Francis' Catholic Church, Pomona Road Riverside

Palm Sunday Picnic - Sunday 20th March. City Baptist Church would like to invite everyone within the Anglican Church to join them for an informal BYO picnic lunch in Princes Square at 12.30pm on Palm Sunday. Some of us will be staying on for the Walk for Justice for Refugees (details below), but folk are most welcome to just come for the picnic. Christians from some other churches may join us too

Palm Sunday Walk - Sunday 20th March. Join other Christians for a Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees, a national event, gathering in Princes Square at 1.45pm, walking to City Park via the Mall. For further information, contact Kerrie Snow kangasnow@gmail.com

Recommitment to Ministry & Blessing of Oils Service - Thursday 24th March, 11:00am at Christ Church, Longford. There will be opportunity to meet with Bp Richard Condie and lunch will follow the service

Services for the coming weeks:

Today

- 10:00 am Praise & Worship at St David's
- 10:30 am Oikos at St O's

Wednesday 17th February

- 10:00 am Healing Service & Holy Communion at St Oswald's

Thursday 18th February

- 10:45 am PresCare

Sunday 21st February

- 10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's
- 10:30 am Oikos at St O's

Home Groups

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| Igglesden's | Tuesday 1:45pm |
| Pedley's | Tuesday 7:30pm |
| St Oswald's | Wednesday 7:30pm |
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Highlighting Missions

Each week during Lent we plan to write about a Christian mission and their work. I'll start next week with Mission Without Borders.

If you would like to participate in this, please write about your favourite mission and either give it to Jan or Anne, or email it to Anne.

It would be nice to get one each week from a different person. Will you help?