Dear Friends,

In the past week I commissioned the Revd Lee Weissel as Chaplain at The Hutchins School, met with some Clergy and Lay Ministers of the Diocese, and visited the Parishes of Kingston and Sorell. Please give thanks for these people and their faithful work and witness.

Please pray for:

- Lee as he settles into his ministry at Hutchins, that the school may indeed raise good men living lives in response to Jesus Christ.
- The Clergy and Lay ministers of the Diocese, that they would rely not on themselves, but on God who raises the dead, and that they will set their hope on him.
- Pray that the seeds planted in our meeting would bear good fruit in the Diocese in the years to come.
- Pray for the Parish of Kingston as it grapples with recent growth and the challenges of stretched facilities, as well as the move of the St Peter's Blackman's Bay congregation into Kingston in the next few months.

Give thanks to God that St George's Sorell is about to start its first youth group in more than a decade. Pray for Hannah as she leads it and for the growth of the congregation.

May God bless you this week.

Richard

The Right Revd Dr Richard Condie Bishop of Tasmania

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At the end of the day when I parked my police van in front of the station and gathered up my equipment, my K-9 partner, Jake, started barking and I saw a small boy staring at me.

"Is that a dog back there?" he asked.

"It sure is," I replied.

Puzzled the boy looked at me and then at the dog and finally said, "What'd he do?"

The Leprosy Mission



Leprosy (Hansen's Disease) is a chronic infection of the skin, mucus membrane and nerves.

In India and China it is known to have existed from the beginnings of their history and is still frequent in third world countries.

Leprosy is caused by a bacillus discovered by Hansen in 1874. The disease is only slightly contagious and spread by repeated close contact. Drugs are now available to treat and cure this dreaded disease.

The Leprosy Mission not only helps with the treatment and cure of this disease, but assists people who are cured to overcome the stigma of leprosy and begin to earn and live worthwhile lives.

One such person is Kedar, who after a long and traumatic history of leprosy, is now cured and has an income and a home all with the help of the Leprosy Mission.

If you wish to help you can do it in many ways, some of which are:

- by having a mission box for your loose change
- purchasing gifts etc. from their catalogue
- by direct donations www.leprosymission.org.au

Give hope, healing & dignity to leprosy patients



17th April

News for the Pews

RIVERLINKS ANGLICAN CHURCH

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

Fourth Sunday of Easter

God of peace,

who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: make us perfect in every good work to

make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praise for:

- ⊕ Bishop Richard Condie and his wife Helen as they travel the state getting to know us all
- 4 All those who take our Sunday services, the leaders, speakers, musicians, and all who help behind the scenes
- ⊕ Opportunities to share in fellowship together such as the lunch at Barwick's, St O's Fellowship at Robin's & Riverlinks Together services
- ⊕ Rain which has fallen on the West Coast, and pray for much more

Pray for:

- ⊕ Bev Percey after her nasty fall
- Alex and Kathy who are both having side effects from their treatments
- ⊕ All refugees and displaced persons worldwide. May a solution be found soon for these helpless people
- [↑] Other families still grieving
- [⊕] Our non-Christian neighbours. Pray for opportunities to witness in our daily life

Continue to pray for:

- 🕆 Josh, James, Job, Roger, & Anne
- 🕆 Tim, Emma, Sophie & Jake in SE Asia
- [⊕] More families to join and commit to the Lord and the Parish
- Pray often for each other, especially:
 - ⊕Bill & Bev ⊕Margot ⊕Rona
 - ⊕Robin ⊕Dick & Jo ⊕Joan Wilkins
 - ⊕Roger & Julianne ⊕Peter Bennett
 - ⊕Alison ⊕Marie ⊕Pat & Val
 - ⊕lan, Helen & Sarah ⊕Connie
 - ⊕Marilyn Gee ⊕Louise Brown

May the Lord who created the heavens and the earth give you his blessing. Psalm 115:15

What's going on?

Shared Luncheon - Today, 12 for 12.30pm. at Norma and Graeme's place, 52 Allison Ave, Riverside

Cursillo Group Reunion - Tuesday 19th May, 12:15 to 1:15pm at Holy Trinity Launceston on BYO lunch, tea, coffee provided

St Oswald's Fellowship Group - Wednesday 20th April, 2pm at Robin's home

"More 4 Me" Film Screening - Why do we have a craving for more? Is it all about getting More for Me? What's the one thing we can't live without? This documentary contrasts New York, London, Tokyo, Los Angeles and Australia with Cambodian villages and Kenyan slums. Saturday 30th April at Windsor Community Hall, Riverside. Refreshments @ 2:15pm, Screening @ 2:30pm. Tickets \$10 on the door or \$7 online: tinyurl.com/hsezrlg For more information phone 6323 9200. www.more4memovie.com

ANZAC Day Commemoration Service - 10am in the Day Therapy Centre at Peace Haven, Norwood

Crafty Circle - 10:00 am, Thursday 28th April in St David's hall

Cursillo Northern Ultreya - Saturday 7th May at Holy Trinity, Cimitiere Street, Launceston. 12 noon for lunch, 1 pm start and 3 pm finish.



Please drop your BCA & Leprosy Mission boxes in to the Parish office by next Tuesday 26th April, so that the funds can be forwarded in a timely fashion

Services for the coming weeks:

Today

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

10:30 am Oikos at St O's

Wednesday 20th April

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

Thursday 21st April 10:45 am PresCare

Sunday 24th April 10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's 10:30 am Worship at St O's

Home Groups

lgglesden's Tuesday 1:45pm
Pedley's Tuesday 7:30pm

St Oswald's Wednesday 7:30pm

The nice thing about living in a small town is that when you don't know what you're doing, somebody else does!

