Dear Friends,

Please join me in giving thanks to God for faithful gospel ministry right across the state yesterday, where in church after church the name of Jesus was lifted high. Pray that we would see more people become his disciples through our churches.

Last week I met with most of the Youth and Children's Ministers in the Diocese, had a Strategic Planning Day with the Registrar and Director of Ministry Services, and yesterday I worshipped with the people of Edge. Please give thanks to God for each of them.

Please join me in praying:

- For youth and children's ministry to flourish in each of our Parishes, and that the youth and children's ministers will be faithful and courageous in making young disciples.
- For more leaders to be raised up in our churches and to come forward to serve.
- For the Diocesan Office team to continue to serve parishes and ministries well.
- That the ministry of Edge would continue to flourish and grow, and that God would raise up there a new generation of leaders, passionate for the Gospel, and able to serve in lay and ordained roles.

That God would develop a strong network between Edge, Brighton and New Norfolk, and give them a fresh approach to being the church, and the abundant provision of resources.

God bless,

Richard

The Right Revd Dr Richard Condie Bishop of Tasmania

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A teacher was attempting to teach the names of animals to her class of 5 year olds. She held up a picture of a deer and asked one boy, "Billy, do you know what this animal is?"

Little Billy looked at the picture with a disheartened look on his face and responded, "I'm sorry Mrs Smith. I don't know."

The teacher was not one to give up easily, so she then asked Billy, "Well, Billy, what does your mummy call your daddy?"

Little Billy's face suddenly brightened up, but then a confused look came across his face, and he asked dubiously, "Mrs Smith, is that really a pig?"



Last night I had the strangest dream I ever dreamed before I dreamed the world had all agreed to put an end to war I dreamed I saw a mighty room the room was filled with men and the paper they were signing said they'd never fight again and when the papers all were signed and a million copies made they all joined hands and bowed their heads and grateful prayers were prayed Then the people in the streets below were dancing round and round and guns and swords and uniforms were scattered on the ground Last night I had the strangest dream I ever dreamed before I dreamed the world had all agreed to put an end to war





24th April

# News for the Pews

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

for the congregations of

St David's & St Oswald's

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saving God, who called your church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be

reconciled to you; through him who died for us and rose again and reigns with you and the

Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

Amen.

#### Praise for:

- ⊕ Bev is recovering well
- ☆ Margaret Spurio's back is better
- ♣ Laurice has returned safely from her holiday
- <sup>↑</sup> Hambleys are back at church, it is great that Helen is well enough to join with us again
- The rain which has fallen. Continue to pray for rainfall around the state
- The child custody case in Lebanon appears to be resolved and should allow Australians caught up in it to return home
- ♣ Project SAM in George Town last week was a real blessing to the youth involved and the people of George Town & Low Head

#### Pray for:

- 🕆 Earthquake victims in both Ecuador & Japan
- ⊕ Our political representatives as they begin campaigning for the next election
- ♣ All who are still grieving from loss of family or friends
- 🕆 Good attendance at tonight's candlelight vigil

#### Continue to pray for:

- ♣ Alex and Kathy as they continue treatment
- ⊕ Marilyn & family
- 🕆 Tim, Emma, Sophie & Jake in SE Asia
- <sup>↑</sup> More families to join and commit to the Lord and the Parish
- 🕆 Josh, James, Job, Roger, & Anne
- $\ \ \$  Pray often for each other, especially:
  - **†Bill & Bev †Margot †Rona**

**⊕Marie** 

- ⊕Robin 
  ⊕Dick & Jo ⊕Joan Wilkins
- ⊕Roger & Julianne
- Peter Bennett
   Pat & Val
- ⊕lan, Helen & Sarah
- **⊕Connie**
- **⊕Marilyn** Gee

**⊕**Alison

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### What's going on?

Candlelight Vigil for Australia Aid - Today at 5:30pm in Civic Square, Launceston. Join Bp Ross Nicholson & Christians from around our city and add your voice to the call for Australia to contribute its fair share to Make Malaria History

"More 4 Me" Film Screening - This 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 info phone 6323 9200 www.more4memovie.com

**Crafty Circle** - 10:00 am, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April in St David's hall

Cursillo Northern Ultreya - Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May at Holy Trinity, Cimitiere Street, Launceston. 12 noon for lunch, 1 pm start and 3 pm finish. Please bring lunch to share

#### **Prayer Chain**

We are currently updating the Prayer Chains. If you would like to be a part of one please write your name and contact phone number on the form in the foyer. Please sign up for this again even if you have previously been part of one. For further info please contact Mary 63316568

Please note: from this Wednesday until further notice that the Healing Service will be held at St David's NOT St Oswald's

#### Services for the coming weeks:

Today

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

10:30 am Worship at St O's

5:30 pm Candlelight Vigil for Australian Aid in Civic Square

Monday 25th April Anzac Day

6:00 am Dawn Service at the Cenotaph

10:00 am Memorial Service at Peace Haven

Chapel Norwood in the Day

Therapy Centre

11:00 am Main Service at the Cenotaph

2:00 pm Service in Trevallyn Reserve

Wednesday 27th April

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

Sunday 1st May

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

## Happy birthday Elizabeth Skeat - 25<sup>th</sup> April

May your days be many and your troubles few, and may all God's blessings descend upon you