

Dear Friends,

Last week I had the great privilege of meeting a number of clergy one to one in the north of the state. It is great to see what God is up to in different places. On Sunday I was in Devonport and confirmed 5 people – 3 teenagers and 2 adults.

- Please join me in giving thanks for faithful men and women in ministry across the state, for their perseverance and dedication to the gospel.
- Please pray for the Parish of Devonport, for John Tongue and the ministry team there.
- Pray for the people who were confirmed on Sunday: Lucas, Emily, Callum, Paul and Helen, that they will continue to follow Christ all their lives.
- Pray for reconciliation in the Devonport Parish, and for God to bring healing to broken relationships there.
- Pray for the Parish of All Saints South Hobart and that their current Art Show will raise money for their church restorations.

More and more I am praying for the Holy Spirit to bring refreshing and renewal of our state and our Diocese. I hope you will join me in praying that each day.

Warm wishes in Christ,

Richard

The Right Revd Dr Richard Condie
Bishop of Tasmania

A man walked into his local butcher's shop to complain about the leg of lamb that he had previously bought.

"When I cooked it the joint had shrunk so much it went from 12 inches long to only 4-inches".

The butcher said to the man, "That's funny, my wife knitted me a jumper and when she washed it, it also shrunk to 4-inches in length".

"What's your jumper got to do with my leg of lamb?" asked the man.

The butcher replied, "Well, they both must have come from the same sheep."



A 24 year old looking out from the train window shouted, "Dad, look the trees are going behind."

His father smiled at him, and a young couple sitting nearby looked at the 24 year old's childish behaviour with pity.

Suddenly he again said, "Dad, look the clouds are running with us!"

The couple couldn't resist and said to the father, "Why don't you take your son to a good doctor?"

The father smiled and said, "I did. We are just coming from the hospital. My son was blind from birth and he just got his eyes today".

Every person on our planet has a story. Never judge. We only ever see a small part of anyone's story.

News for the Pews

RIVERLINKS ANGLICAN CHURCH

**Growing a community of faith
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Information & Church family news
for the congregations of
St David's & St Oswald's

Pentecost

O God,
who taught the hearts of your faithful
people by sending to them the light of
your Holy Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit to have a
right to judgment in all things,
and evermore to rejoice in his holy
comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus our
Saviour, who lives and reigns with
you, in the unity of the same Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

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Praise for:

- † Connie has recovered from a bad back. Thanks to Connie for making the beautiful Mother's Day posies
- † All the people who celebrated Mother's Day by raising fund for Breast Cancer research
- † Continuing Autumn rains
- † On this Pentecost celebration praise for the gift of the Holy Spirit

Pray for:

- † James & Sally and Graeme & Norma who are now in Europe. Pray for safety for all those travelling locally, interstate & overseas
- † Laurice who is recovering from a fall, however she is still very uncomfortable
- † Our small Winter congregation as many head away for the colder months
- † Politicians as they campaign for the Federal election, may they be honest and trustworthy
- † Farmers who have been affected by the price drop in milk & increased costs resulting from the drought

Continue to pray for:

- † James, Job, Josh, Roger & Anne
- † Tim & Emma serving in SE Asia
- † New people to join our churches in Riverside and Trevallyn
- † Family & friends who do not know God
- † All those with ongoing needs, especially with regard to health:
 - †Bill & Bev †Margot
 - †Rona †Robin †Dick & Jo
 - †Joan Wilkins †Roger & Julianne
 - †Pat & Val †Alison †Connie
 - †Ian, Helen & Sarah †Marie
 - †Marilyn Gee †Louise & Issy Brown
 - †Peter Bennett †Alex & Margaret
 - †Kathy & Grant

What's going on?

Top Brass - 2pm TODAY at Holy Trinity Beaconsfield. The West Tamar Band in concert, featuring vocalists Dee Brown & Kerry Ellis in an afternoon of contemporary brass band music. Afternoon tea will be served following the concert, admission by donation for Missions & Outreach

St Oswald's Fellowship Group - Wednesday 18th May at Joan Wilkins' home, 8 Kerry Ct. Bring your favourite simple recipe along for a recipe exchange

Crafty Circle - Thursday 26th May, 10:00 am in St David's hall

Engaging with Islam Seminar - Saturday 28th May, 1.30-4pm at St John's Parish Centre, 157 St John St, Launceston. Cost \$10. Please also bring a snack to share. RSVP by Thursday 26th May to St John's Parish Office 6331 4896

Tasmanian Bible Forum - Saturday 28th May 10am to 2:30pm at Mission 21, Anglican Parish of the Huon, 21 Wilmot St, Huonville. Speaker is International Bible Teacher Rev Dr Kathy Rochester, on "Discovering Practical Insights in Deuteronomy". Cost \$10 includes morning & afternoon tea and light lunch (soup, bread rolls and fruit). Pay on the day at registration desk

Riverlinks Together - Sunday 29th May, 10:30am at St Mary Magdalene's GT

Leprosy Mission Annual Luncheon - Wednesday 1st June from 11:30am at All Saints, Exeter. Sheldon Rankin, CEO of TLMA will share about the difference being made through bringing new life to all. RSVP to Celia Cliff 6383 1790. Cost is by donation to TLMA

Services for the coming weeks:

Today

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

Wednesday 18th May

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

Thursday 19th May

- 10:45 am PresCare

Sunday 22nd May

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

Sunday 29th May

- 10:30 am Riverlinks Together Holy Communion at St MM's George Town

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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Happy birthday

Kaye Gregory - 21st May

Anne Godman - 21st May