

Dear Friends,

Last week I had a terrific "Bishop's Day" at St Michael's Collegiate School here in Hobart. It was a joy to see such a well functioning school with a clear Christian ethos embedded in the culture. I also attended the Defence Force Chaplains' Dinner at the Anglesea Barracks, worshipped with the good folk at St Mark's Cygnet, and joined a throng at the Hobart waterfront for *Church Together* last night.

Please join with me in giving thanks:

- For our schools, and especially this week for Collegiate, for Principal Mrs Judith Tudball, and Chaplain Scott Sargent, and the staff for the great job they are doing.
- For our Defence Force Chaplains who are reaching a huge number of people in the name of Christ.
- For the faithfulness of the ministry in the Channel/ Cygnet parish.
- For the unity across our churches in the state.

Please pray for:

- Many girls to encounter the claims of Jesus through their time at Collegiate, and for Judith, Scott and the rest of the staff there.
- The Revd Chris Bowditch as he begins as a Defence Force Chaplain, and for Scott Sargent the head chaplain for the Defence Forces here in Tasmania
- The growth in ministry outreach to the people of Cygnet and Woodbridge and surrounding towns, that many new disciples of Jesus might be made.
- John Middleton, Lesley Borowitzka, Wendy Wilson and the team at Channel Cygnet
- And for Church leaders in Hobart, across denominations, to be united in the one true faith.

Remember that the Spirit has come!
Pentecost blessings,

Richard
The Right Revd Dr Richard Condie
Bishop of Tasmania

A Puzzling Problem

A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbour and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started."

Her neighbour asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?"

The little silver haired lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster."

Her neighbour decides to go over and help with the puzzle.

She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table.

He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says, "First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster."

He takes her hand and says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then," he said with a deep sigh, "Let's put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."



More, more and more

The more you give, the more you get.
The more you laugh, the less you fret.
The more you do unselfishly,
the more you live abundantly.
The more of everything you share,
the more you'll always have to spare.
The more you have, the more you'll find
That life is good and friends are kind.
It's only what we give away
that enriches us from day to day.

Yvonne Eno

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

Trinity Sunday

Almighty & everlasting God,
you have given to us your servants
grace by the confession of a true faith
to acknowledge the glory of the
eternal Trinity,
and in the power of the divine majesty
to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
and evermore defend us from all
adversities,
for you live and reign,
One God, for ever and ever.
Amen.



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Praise for:

- † Julianne has been discharged, is feeling sore and sorry but everything okay. She has gone to stay with her cousin
- † Kathy, Laurice and Connie are all back at church
- † Filling of our water reservoirs
- † Anne & all the little extras she does for us all

Pray for:

- † Roger would have relaxing time in respite
- † Riverlinks Together next Sunday
- † All those suffering from mental health issues, and that we would all have a better understanding of their problems
- † The healing service in its changed venue and the leaders
- † Peace worldwide and all refugees currently caught up in conflict
- † That Australian youth will appreciate the life they have here and not become radicalized by those radical groups terrorizing the world
- † Our Tasmanian Diocese as Parish reps meet at the Tailrace on 3rd & 4th June for Synod

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?

Crafty Circle - This Thursday 26th May, 10:00am 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, Huonville. Speaker is Rev Dr Kathy Rochester, cost \$10 includes food. Pay on the day

National Day of Thanksgiving - Saturday 28th May. Thanking God and Thanking Each Other. Remember to thank God and thanks someone who is important in your life

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

Farewell Service for Pamela Cornish - Wednesday 15th June, 2:30pm in the LGH Chapel. Afternoon tea will follow the service. RSVP by 1st June to Alan Bulmer 0429890676

Bass/Lyons Electorate Forum - Thursday 9th June, 7pm in the Town Hall Reception Room Launceston with Don Wing as MC. The forum is being planned by a local coalition of Amnesty International, Campaign for Australian Aid, Oxfam and Safe Asylum. The evening will focus on Australian aid and asylum seekers

Services for the coming weeks:

Today

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

Wednesday 25th May

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

Sunday 29th May

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

Wednesday 1st June

No Healing Service today

- 11:30 am Leprosy Mission luncheon in Exeter

Sunday 5th June

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



*Happy birthday
to*

Ann Collings - 31st May
Connie Curtis - 2nd June