

Dear Friends,

The southern retired clergy service and lunch was held last week at Taroom. It was a happy time of fellowship together. Over the weekend the "Fruitful" youth ministry training event was held in Bellerive, which culminated in a Bish'n'chips tea. They didn't eat me, but we had a good discussion about the challenges and opportunities of youth ministry across the state. On Sunday morning I was privileged to preach at the Centenary of St James' New Town. It was a great occasion remembering God's faithfulness in the past and trusting him for the future. Sunday afternoon, a great crowd gathered at St Anne's Lutana, for a final service and deconsecration of the building which is now to be sold. It was a bittersweet event, as we remembered and gave thanks for the ministry past, looked with confidence to what God has in store for the Parish of Northside in the future, but also grieved the loss of this place of worship. We were able to tell lots of stories over afternoon tea.

Please join me in giving thanks:

- Once again for our retired clergy, many of whom are still active in ministry
- For the youth ministers and leaders in our churches, and for the great work that they do
- For 100 years of faithful ministry at St James' New Town
- And for the faithful service of God's people at St Anne's Lutana, and in the wider Northside Parish.

Please pray for:

- A growth in our ministry to youth and children. The leaders asked me what were my hopes for this ministry, and I said "wouldn't it be wonderful to see an active youth and children's ministry in every Parish in Tasmania?" I wonder if you'd join me in praying for this.
- St James' New Town and their ministry plans for the future, especially their focus on reaching out to young families.
- The Northside Parish as they try to advance their ministry on the St Paul's Glenorchy site.
- And for The Revd John Gray (Sheffield), whose house was recently damaged by fire.

With best wishes,
Richard



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Just for laughs

A lady is on a flight from India to the United States. She stands up and yells, "Is there a doctor on board?!"

A man stands up and says, "I'm a doctor, what's the problem?"

She replies, "Want to meet my daughter?"

I'm dyslexic, and attended a conference about the disorder with a friend. The speakers asked us to share a personal experience with the group, so I told them stress aggravates my condition, in which I reverse words and letters when I'm tense.

When I finished speaking, my friend leaned over and whispered to me, "Now I know why you named your daughter Hannah."

A man checked into his hotel room and immediately noticed a dead cockroach on the floor. He called the front desk, asked for the manager and raised a fuss.

"Sir, please calm down," the manager replied. "It's dead. It can't bother you now."

"The dead one doesn't bother me," he said. "It's his pallbearers."



"Isn't it great to be out on an early spring day?!"

News for the Pews

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If you, Lord, kept a record of sins,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness,
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.
Psalm 130:3,4 ^{NIV}

O God,
without you we are not able to please you:
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in
all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praise for:

- † River
- † The

Pray for:

- † An
- † People
- † The
- † All
- † Our

Continue to pray daily for:

- † Aileen, Alan, Ann, Colleen, Jenny, Jo & Kaye
- † Increased giving to meet our financial goals
- † James, Josh, Anne & Roger
- † Pray daily for those with ongoing need
 - †Margot †Robin †Rona †Bill & Bev
 - †Dick & Jo †Joan Wilkins †Alison
 - †Roger & Julianne †Connie †Marie
 - †Ian, Helen & Sarah †Trish, Louise & Issy
 - †Tim & Emma, Sophie & Jake

What's going on?

TLM "Advocating for those with disability" - Wednesday 14th September, 10am at Legana Christian Church. Morning tea and Pam Lake will speak on Timor Leste. Donation to advocate for those with disability in Timor Leste, and a trade table will be available. RSVP to Judith 6327 2868 or Bev 6330 1222

Houseparty@Home - 16th to 18th September. Topic: Sing! Guest Speaker: Mike Raiter. Come and enjoy a family fun weekend, with children's program, teaching, fellowship and activities. Register through St John's Parish Office 63314896

CMS Tasmania Mission support lunch & AGM - Saturday 17th September, 12 noon for 12:30 at St Aidan's East Launceston. Cost: \$15 adult/\$10 child under 12/\$50 family. Come and enjoy a Southeast Asian feast, hear updates from our ministry workers overseas and our plans for the future. RSVP by tomorrow to tas@cms.org.au or Anita Booker 0417922390

Preaching Workshop with Mike Raiter - Monday 19th September at St John's Anglican Church, St John Street Launceston from 9.30am to 1pm. Morning tea will be provided but please BYO lunch if you'd like to stay and chat with Mike or other attendees at the conclusion. Register online: www.goo.gl/wfk7ty or contact the Parish office

Teaching Children Effectively Course - Mon/Wed/Fri 9am to 3pm 26th September to 7th October at Punchbowl Christian Fellowship. Enquiries to Stephanie 0400 971767

Tasmanian Bible Forum - Saturday 8th October, 9:45am to 3pm at St Aidan's East Launceston. Bishop Richard Condie will speak, 3 talks on 2 Peter: A Precious Faith. Cost \$20 includes morning tea & lunch. Register with the Parish office by Monday 3rd October

Next Riverlinks Together - Sunday 9th October, 10:30am at St Mary Magdalene's George Town when Bishop Richard Condie will be sharing with us

Services for the coming weeks:

Today

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

Wednesday 14th September

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

Sunday 18th September

- 10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's
- 10:30 am Café Conversations @ 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 |

Take Time

Take time to think; it is the source of power.

Take time to read; it is the foundation of wisdom.

Take time to play; it is the secret of staying young.

Take time to be quiet; it is the opportunity to seek God.

Take time to be aware; it is the opportunity to help others.

Take time to love and be loved; it is God's greatest gift.

Take time to laugh; it is the music of the soul.

Take time to be friendly; it is the road to happiness.

Take time to dream; it is what the future