Bishop Richard's Praise & Prayer Points Please join me in giving thanks for:

- A number of people who are considering ministry in the Diocese of Tasmania.
- The good consultation on redress for survivors of sexual abuse.
- Great ministry taking place in Deloraine under Jane Lamont's careful locum.
- Ross and Jenny Nicholson's faithful ministry of 11 years in the Parish of St John's Launceston.
 Please pray:
- For God to continue to bring refreshment and revival to the churches of Tasmania.
- For the Parish of Deloraine that they might find a clear pathway for the future, and that God would bless their ministry team.
- That God would multiply the fruit of Ross Nicholson's ministry at St John's and bless him in these next months.
- That we would continue to make good restoration for survivors of sexual abuse, and keep vigilant about safe ministry in our churches.

St Oswald's Fellowship Group

On Wednesday 21st September six members spent a pleasant afternoon packing shoe boxes for Samaritan's Purse OCC.

Jan, Robin & Rona were sadly unable to attend and were greatly missed.

Next meeting will be on 19th October, venue TBA. All welcome

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Amusing Thoughts

If absence makes the heart grow fonder, a lot of folks must love their churches.

If we find life on other planets, what would happen to the Miss Universe pageant?

Money used to talk. Then it whispered. Now it just sneaks off.

A pessimist is someone who, when opportunity knocks, complains about the noise.

Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have, or sleep all you want.

Everybody talks about apathy, but no one does anything about it.

A farmer and his recently hired hand were eating an early breakfast of biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, bacon and coffee that the farmer's wife had prepared for them. Thinking of all the work they had to get done that day, the farmer told the hired man he might as well go ahead and eat his lunch too.

The hired man didn't say a word, but filled his plate a second time and proceeded to eat. After a while the farmer said, "We've got so much work to do today, you might as well eat your supper now too."

Again, the hired man didn't respond but refilled his plate a third time and continued to eat. Finally, after eating his third plate of food, the hired man pushed back his chair and began to take off his shoes.

"What are you doing?" the farmer asked.

The hired man replied, "I don't work after supper."



2nd October

News for the Pews

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Information & Church family news for the congregations of

St David's & St Oswald's

"'As surely as I live,' says the Lord,
'every knee will bow before me;
every tongue will acknowledge God."
o then, each of us will give an account
of ourselves to God.
Romans 14:11-12 NIV

Generous God,
whose hand is open to fill all things living
with plenteousness:
make us ever thankful for your goodness,
and grant that we, remembering the account
that we must one day give,
may be faithful stewards of your bounty;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praise for:

- ⊕ Elizabeth's food allergies haven't been an issue so far on the Thailand trip, and pray that they continue in this way
- [↑] The CMS annual meeting & especially Rolf Lepelaar's message
- ⊕ Donors to Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child in box filling & freight

Pray for:

- [⊕] The commandant will change his mind and allow the Project SAM team access into the Mai-La camp
- The teachers who come out to meet with the team have to be back in camp by 3.30 each day or the commandant will revoke their permission, so pray that they wrap up each day in time for them to travel back. They are at the mercy of a bus coming by to take them back to the camp, and that can take a while for one to show up
- Team member Kerrie Snow who has started to come down sick and struggles to speak at times without coughing fits
- That the camp is given permission to bring in the bags of rice they have ready to distribute (22 bags of 50kgs), to help with the rice shortage in the camp
- † Financial release of funds to help fund the rice program each month which costs \$700 per month
- ♣ Robin will get positive results from tests and stop feeling quite so depressed
- ⊕ Ann & David, and others who are still suffering from Winter ills
- Roger Hesketh as he has finished now as Riverlinks' Enabler and takes on the interim role at St John's
- ⊕ Margaret Smith who is having a second hip replacement very shortly
- ⊕ Good attendance at functions this week

What's going on?

Tasmanian Bible Forum - This 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. This is a great opportunity to hear Bp Richard speak. Don't miss out, book your place 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, and there will be a shared BBQ lunch following the service

Seniors Week Healing service - Wednesday 12th October includes a guest speaker

Diabetes Education Seminar - Friday 14th October, 10am to 3pm at St David's Riverside. Gold coin donation, lunch included

Shared Luncheon - Sunday 16th October, 12:30pm at June Hazzelwoods home, 113 Cormiston Road, Riverside. June says there is ample parking in her yard so no need to park on the road. Naomi Skeat will attend to talk about the Project SAM (Service & Mission) trip to Thailand. We urge all members possible to attend to hear about the group doing God's work in Thailand.

The National Church Life Survey will be conducted in the Parish during October. If you expect to be away please speak to a member of the LMST to arrange for a survey form to be completed early. www.2016ncls.org.au

West Tamar Floral Festival - Saturday 22nd October, 9:30am to 3pm at Holy Trinity Beaconsfield. Display of floral art, fair stalls, morning teas & more. All welcome

Services for the coming weeks:

Today

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

10:30 am Worship @ St O's

Wednesday 5th October

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

Sunday 9th October

10:30 am Riverlinks Together at St MM's

George Town with Bp Richard & followed by a BBQ lunch

Wednesday 12th October

10:00 am Seniors Week Healing Service & Holy Communion in St Oswald's hall

Friday 14th October

10:00 am Diabetes Education Seminar & lunch

Sunday 16th October

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

10:30 am Worship @ St O's

Home Groups

lgglesden's Tuesday 1:45pm

Pedley's Tuesday 7:30pm

St Oswald's Wednesday 7:30pm

Happy birthday to Felix Oakley - 5th October Bill Percey - 7th October Stephanie Hutt - 13th October