## Bishop Richard's Praise & Prayer Points

Dear Friends,

Please join me in giving thanks for:

- Our clergy and their resolve to become better at leading our churches to make disciples.
- Stephen, Andy and Joel, and others who are being used by God to bring change and growth.
- Helen Philips and the ministry of women in the Diocese of Tasmania.
- The Parish of Dorset (especially Judy Jacobson and Trevor Banfield) and the lively Christian witness of the local churches in that part of the state.

#### Please pray:

- That the ministers who attended the conference will put what they learned into practice.
- For growth in the number of disciples in our churches, and for obstacles to disciple-making to be removed.
- For Helen in her new role.
- That many people will enroll for the Confident Disciple-Making conference in Hobart on October 29.

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A little boy got lost at the YMCA and found himself in the women's locker room. When he was spotted the room burst into shrieks with the ladies grabbing towels and running for cover.

The little boy watched in amazement and then asked, "What's the matter? Haven't you ever seen a little boy before?"

When a traffic cop pulled over Pastor Johnson for speeding, the minister reminded the officer, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."

The cop handed the minister the ticket and quoted, "Go thou, and sin no more!"

When the going gets tough, the tough get going. The not-so-tough scream for help!

#### No Time

The years slipped by and time was spent, And all good things that I meant To do were left undone because ... I had no time to stop and pause, But rushed about, went here and there, Did this and that, was everywhere. I had no time to meditate On things worthwhile, no time to wait Upon the Lord and hear him say "Well done my child, you've shown the way." And so I wonder, after all When life is over and I am called To meet my saviour in the sky, Where saints live on and never die. If I can find one soul I've won To Christ by some small deed I've done

Or will I hang my head and whine



23<sup>rd</sup> October

# 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

Now all we can see of God is like a cloudy picture in a mirror.

Later we will see him face to face.

We don't know everything, but then we will, just as God completely understands us.

For now there are faith, hope, and love.

But of these three, the greatest is love.

1 Corinthians 12,13 CEV

Almighty and everlasting God, give to us the increase of faith, hope and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us to love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### Praise for:

- <sup>↑</sup> Our new travelling Bishop as he gets to know
  us all
- † All who assist in our churches, leaders preachers & all who work behind the scenes
- <sup>⊕</sup> Volunteers who give their time to assist in running charitable organisations

# Pray for:

- ♣ Robin who is back in hospital
- ⊕ Continued healing for Joan Cocker's arm
- 🕆 lan's knee would also continue to heal
- ⊕ Specialists will find the best treatment for Rob Menzie's constant neuralgia
- ☆ Kaye, Norman, James, Josh, Anne, the MST and our own whole congregation. Pray that a few new faces will appear in our midst and that we will make them most welcome
- † Typhoons, cyclones & other natural disasters happening around the world
- The Conflict zones and the people caught in the middle of these wars. Pray also for soldiers sent as peacekeepers into these areas
- ♣ Rev Scott Sargent who begins as the new State Director for CMS Tasmania on 1st Nov
- ⊕ Continue to pray daily for:
- ⊕ Margaret & Alex; Margaret & Vince
- $\ddot$  Increased giving to meet our financial goals
- Pray daily for those with ongoing needs
   ⊕Margot ⊕Robin ⊕Rona ⊕Bill & Bev
   ⊕Dick & Jo ⊕Joan Wilkins ⊕Alison
   ⊕Roger & Julianne ⊕Connie ⊕Marie
   ⊕Ian, Helen & Sarah ⊕Trish, Louise & Issy
   ⊕Tim & Emma, Sophie & Jake ⊕Bill & Jan

### What's going on?

Confident Disciple Making - A Diocesan training event on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October, 10am to 5pm at St Michael's Collegiate School, Hobart. Guest speakers, interactive sessions, workshops, resource, food, fun & fellowship! For Clergy & Lay people. Book online bishop431.wixsite.com/diocesantraining2016 or by contacting the Diocesan office 62202020

The National Church Life Survey will be conducted in the Parish during October. If you haven't received a survey speak to Norman, and if you have taken one home please return it asap

**Mission Boxes** - October is collection time for BCA & Leprosy Mission boxes. If you have not passed your boxes for counting yet, please bring them in to the Parish office by Sunday 30th October

**Australian Church Women** - Annual World Community Day service 1:30pm on Monday 31st October at Holy Trinity Launceston

ABM Annual General Meeting - Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> November, 11am at Holy Trinity, Launceston. After the AGM there will be a Eucharist, followed by a light lunch then a General Meeting. There are vacancies on the Committee for more members, either clergy or laity

Church Christmas Lunch - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November at the Trevallyn Bowls Club. Two course lunch approx. \$30. RSVP to Mary 63316568 or the Parish office by 20<sup>th</sup> Nov

Have you considered volunteering? City Mission is looking for more Christians to help out in many areas to work alongside non-Christian volunteers. Opportunities exist in all areas, so if you have a few hours each week to commit please call 6343 2115 or apply online at www.citymission.org.au/volunteer

# Services for the coming weeks:

Today

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

10:30 am Worship @ St O's

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October

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

Sunday 30th October

10:00 am Praise & Worship at St David's

10:30 am Worship @ St O's

## Home Groups

afternoon tea.

St Oswald's (at Collings' home) Monday 2:30pm Igglesden's Tuesday 1:45pm Pedley's Tuesday 7:30pm

# St Oswald's Fellowship Group

Nine people met at Jenny Pedley's for a fellowship afternoon. Mary led us in prayer followed by corporate prayer. Apologies were received from Robin, Rona & Kaye.

Early discussion on the recent Seniors Week events and diabetes. Main subject for the day was on World Day of Prayer for 2017 which has been prepared by the women of the Philippines. A meeting will be arranged in February with St Francis to finalise details for this service which will be held at St O's.

15 boxes went to Operation Christmas Child. Meeting closed with the grace & followed by