

Bishop Richard's Praise & Prayer Points

Dear Friends,

The major event of the last week for me was visiting King Island. What a joy to experience life on a Bass Strait Island and to meet so many wonderful saints. The country hospitality was amazing (I am off to the gym this morning!), and the spirit of the folk there just amazing. We have been praying for a new minister for them in partnership with BCA for some time, and I invite you to join me in that. Last week I also spent some time on a number of our vacancies in the rest of the Diocese, and am pleased to say it is all looking very encouraging.

Please join me in giving thanks:

- For the faithful people and ministry in the Parish of King Island
- For Peter Nunn who has been acting as locum
- For God's gracious provision for us all
- For a long partnership between the Diocese of Tasmania and BCA

Please pray:

- For God to raise up a permanent minister for King Island
- That the members of the congregation carrying a greater load, will be sustained in their service
- That revival will come to the whole of Tasmania, on all its islands
- For great trust in God's provision of leadership for us

Richard

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Are You God?

One cold evening during the holiday season, a little boy about 6 or 7 was standing out in front of a window. The little child had no shoes on and his clothes were mere rags.

A young woman passing by saw the little boy and could read the longing in his pale blue eyes.

She took the child by the hand and led him into the store. There she bought him new shoes and a complete suit of warm clothing.

They came back outside into the street and the woman said to the child, "Now you can go home and have a very happy holiday."

The little boy looked up at her and asked, "Are you God ma'am?"

She smiled down at him and replied, "No son, I'm just one of his children."

The little boy then said, "I knew you had to be some sort of relation."

Time and Eternity

A man was taking it easy lying on the grass and looking up at the clouds. He was identifying shapes when he decide to talk to God.

"God," he said. "How long is a million years?"

God answered, "In my frame of reference it's about a minute."

The man asked, "God, how much is a million dollars?"

God answered, "To me it's a penny."

The man then asked, "Can I have a penny?"

God answered, "In a minute."



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For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5: 9 - 11 NIV

Almighty God,
whose sovereign purpose none can make void:
give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults
of this world, knowing that your kingdom shall
come and your will be done,
to your eternal glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Praise for:

- ✠ Robin would like to give thanks to everyone for their thoughts and prayers over her time of recovery. Continue to pray that she will regain further strength
- ✠ Safe delivery of Jan & Bill's 10th great-grandchild
- ✠ Jared & Kristie as they celebrate the birth of their first child
- ✠ Freycinet Camp which James & Stephanie took over the long weekend. Praise for the real connection they had with the youth and the questions which were raised

Pray for:

- ✠ Marilyn Jordan who has not been well and is struggling to get better
- ✠ Continue to pray for June & Julianne
- ✠ Christians in Syria, for the comfort and strength of the Lord to surround them
- ✠ Our Parish, for wisdom in the decisions that are in front of us. We pray that God will lead us in His way
- ✠ Josh, for healing & well being as he prepares for a gall bladder operation
- ✠ Bp Richard as he shepherds us
- ✠ Tommy and the Riverside High School Local Chaplaincy committee as they meet this week to consider the future
- ✠ Tessa as she continues to have tests on her hip to determine the problem
- ✠ *Continue to pray daily for:*
- ✠ Pray daily for those with ongoing needs
 - ✠ Margot ✠ Robin ✠ Rona ✠ Bill & Bev
 - ✠ Dick & Jo ✠ Joan Wilkins ✠ Betty ✠ Alison
 - ✠ Roger & Julianne ✠ Connie ✠ Marie
 - ✠ Ian, Helen & Sarah ✠ Trish, Louise & Issy
 - ✠ Tim & Emma, Sophie & Jake ✠ Bill & Jan

What's going on?

ABM Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 15th 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

Working Bee - Thursday 24th November, 2:30pm at St David's. Spring cleaning of the church & hall prior to Advent. If you are able to help please come along or speak to Jan especially if you have a talent for flower arranging

Gingerbread House Making - Sunday 27th November, 3pm to 5:30pm at St Oswald's Trevallyn. \$45 per house, bookings essential through the Parish office as spaces are limited

Riverside & Trevallyn Churches Christmas Lunch - Monday 28th November at the Trevallyn Bowls Club. Two course lunch approx. \$30. RSVP to Mary 63316568 or the Parish office by 20th November

Community Car Boot Sale - Saturday 10th December from 8am to 1:30pm at Trevallyn Life Church. Secure your space to sell your items, \$20 single or \$35 double space, by calling Kathy on 0407 817 349

Advance Notices

Sunday 11th December Christmas Carol Celebration with Riverside Primary at 4:00pm (no morning service)

Sunday 18th December 7pm Traditional Carols at St Mary Magdalene's George Town

Tuesday 20th December Usual Unusual Christmas service 7pm at Hillwood Hall

Saturday 24th December (Christmas Eve) Carols in Trevallyn Reserve. Time TBA

Sunday 5th February 10:00am Harvest Festival Service at St David's

Services for the coming weeks:

Today

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

Wednesday 16th November

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

Sunday 20th November

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

Home Groups

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



MISSION WITHOUT BORDERS

Thanks to all knitters

Mission Without Borders wishes to give thanks and praise to all who contribute to the knitting for those unfortunates in Eastern Europe who battle poverty and the freezing cold.

If you have the spare time and ability, please contribute to this worthy cause.

This mission also contributes to many other activities in this area, such as soup kitchens, help for the elderly and disabled, housing, and many others. Financial donations are most welcome. Contact 02 9647 2022