

Spell Checker

A little boy in my infant class came into school and told me he could spell his mum's name.

"M-U-M," he said proudly. Before I could congratulate him, another little boy said excitedly, "That's how you spell my mum's name too!"

While he was visiting, my father asked for the password to our Wi-Fi.

"It's taped under the modem," I told him.

After three failed attempts to log on, he asked, "Am I spelling this right? T-A-P-E-D-U-N-D-E-R-T-H-E-M-O-D-E-M?"

During a class spelling test, one student was asked to spell "farm".

He sat there for a few minutes with a puzzled look on his face. "Umm... Can I have a definition?"

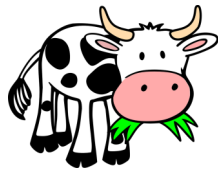
"Sure," the teacher said. "It is a plot of land, used for the raising of crops and livestock."

"Uhhh..." He sat there for several minutes, continuing to ask for alternative pronunciations, word origins, etc. with the teacher getting more and more frustrated.

Finally the boy asked, "Can you please use it in a sentence?"

"Old MacDonald had a FARM!" the teacher shouted.

"Oh, right!" said the boy. "E-I-E-I-O"



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From The Bishop

Dear Friends,

It was wonderful to welcome Stephen Carnaby to the Diocesan team last week, as he commenced work at the Director of Ministry Development. Please hold him in your prayers as he begins this new role, as well as praying for the selection of a new incumbent for St Mark's Bellerive.

Last week had a bit of an education focus for me as I spent Wednesday at the Hutchins School for Bishop's Day and then Thursday with our School Chaplains on a Training Day. Thursday also saw the announcement of a new Headmaster for the Launceston Church Grammar School – Mr Richard Ford, who is currently the Deputy Head of St Andrew's Cathedral School in Sydney.

I also had great joy in inducting the Revd Ian Oates as Rural Missioner in the Northern and Southern Midlands, and Diocesan Rural Mission Officer. We are looking forward to Ian's ministry.

This week, seven of us are representing the Diocese at the General Synod on the Sunshine Coast in Queensland. It sounds idyllic, but we have a lot of work to do, and we would appreciate your prayers.

Please join me in giving thanks for:

- Stephen Carnaby as Director of Ministry Development.
 - Our Anglican Schools and Chaplains.
 - Richard Ford as new headmaster at Launceston Church Grammar.
 - Ian Oates as Rural Missioner in the Midlands.
- Please Pray:
- For Stephen as he begins his new role to be fruitful in his ministry.
 - For Richard Ford and his family as they prepare to move to Tasmania.
 - For Ian Oates to begin his ministry well in the Midlands.
 - For our School chaplains as they represent Christ in our schools to students, parents and teachers.
 - For a new incumbent for St Mark's Bellerive.
 - That our schools will be places of learning, including learning about discipleship.
 - For the General Synod as it meets this week.

Richard



Information & Church family news

for the congregations of

St David's & St Oswald's

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Money

'You can't be the slave of two masters! You will like one more than the other . . . You can't serve both God and money.'
(Matthew 6:24)

Don't let money become your master. Serving God is more important and more rewarding than being rich.

Let's pray.

God, thank you for money and the security and pleasures it provides. Help me find my greatest security and pleasure in you.

Praise for:

- ✠ Marie's health has improved, and Joan Cocker who is also 'back on deck'
- ✠ All the volunteers in so many fields. Praise for their willingness to give their time and resources for the benefit of others
- ✠ All who faithfully donate each week to the church, missions & staff support

Pray for:

- ✠ Ian's sciatic pain, and Anne as she was also unwell last weekend
- ✠ Jo as she continues to recover from surgery
- ✠ Pam Stott after her collapse last Sunday
- ✠ The Ministry Skills study group starting this week, and for Josh as he leads it
- ✠ James Oakley as he travels from the General Synod in Queensland to China for a week's holiday, and for Sally & the kids at home while he is away
- ✠ James Hornby, the new Rector at St John's, would settle in quickly
- ✠ Aged care homes dealing with 'flu outbreaks, especially family of those who have died
- ✠ Aid agencies around the world who are dealing with so many natural and man-made disasters
- ✠ The many refugees who have had to leave their homes from fear of harm

Continue to pray for:

- ✠ ✠Margot ✠Ellie ✠Robin ✠Rona ✠Bill & Bev ✠Dick, Jo & Stephen ✠Betty ✠Alison ✠Emily ✠Roger & Julianne ✠June ✠Laurice ✠Marie ✠Ian, Helen & Sarah ✠Bill, Jan & Rob ✠Louise, Issy, Josh & Sarah; Martin; Tamara Lauren & Trish ✠Tim, Emma, Sophie & Jake ✠Paul & Jenn Cavanough

What's going on?

Spring Fling Morning Tea - Tuesday 12th September, 10am at St Mark-on-the-hill Anglican Parish, South Launceston. \$7pp with proceeds to Overseas & Northern Outreach. Prize for the best Spring bonnet

Fellowship Group - Wednesday 20th September, 2pm (at St Oswald's?)

Bishop's Training Event - Saturday 23rd September at Hutchins School, Sandy Bay. Time is running out! Register online today at: www.bishopstrainingevent.com

PeaceWise Training Days - "Everyday Peacemaking" on Saturday 23rd September, and "The Heart of Peacemaking" on Monday 25th September, at Punchbowl Christian Centre. Register online at peacewise.org.au/events

Ageing Well: Use it or lose it! - Wednesday 27th September, 2pm to 4pm at Aldersgate Village, Newnham. To book call 6323 8200. This is a free community information session presented by Uniting AgeWell

Combined Service with St Aidan's - Sunday 1st October, 10am at St Aidan's East L'ton

Riverlinks Together - Sunday 29th October, 10am at St Aidan's East Launceston

Sound Experience Music in the Churches - Over five weeks starting from Saturday 14th October. Concerts at 2pm and 7pm in Beauty Point, Exeter & Glengarry. Tickets \$38 per performance, from Tamar Valley Visitors Centre Exeter 6394 4454

The Second Coming Convention - 12th to 15th October, at Seahorse World, Beauty Point. For more info contact Ray Hawkins, Beauty Point Baptist, 6383 4757

West Tamar Floral Festival - Saturday 4th November

Services for the coming week:

Today

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

Monday 11th September

2:00 pm Cadorna

Wednesday 13th September

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

12:00 pm Prayer Gathering at St Oswald's

Sunday 17th September

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

Home Groups

Collings' Tuesday 1:30pm

Igglesden's In recess until further notice

Pedley's Tuesday 7:30pm

Anxious Christians

In the early church, as today, there were some people who doubted the great promise of Christian faith.

So John had to write to encourage anxious Christians.

And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

1 John 5:11,12 ^{NIV}