

From Bishop Richard Condie

Dear Friends,

On Friday we farewelled Robert Wallace as Diocesan Registrar after 5 years in the role. We give thanks to God for his service, and pray for the next chapter of his life.

I spent the weekend visiting the Parish of the West Coast. I was so encouraged to see what the Lord is doing among the saints in Zeehan, Strahan and Queenstown. Christians from lots of different denominational backgrounds make up the Anglican congregations. There is a great sense of working together and many opportunities to serve the local communities. The services in Queenstown and Strahan were full of warmth, authenticity and expectant prayer. Please give thanks for Kevin and Colina Bailey and the team there, and pray for God's sustaining of them as the juggle many demands.

Join me in giving thanks for:

- Robert Wallace and his time as Diocesan Registrar.
- Kevin and Colina Bailey, serving the Lord among God's people on the West Coast.
- The many opportunities the Christians in remote communities have to witness to Christ.

Please pray:

- For James Oakley as he settles into the role of Registrar and General Manager of the Diocese.
- That the ministry of the Anglican parish of the West Coast will grow and that the Diocese will be able to support them well.
- That our upcoming season of lament and repentance during Lent, will open doors for the gospel in Tasmania.

Richard

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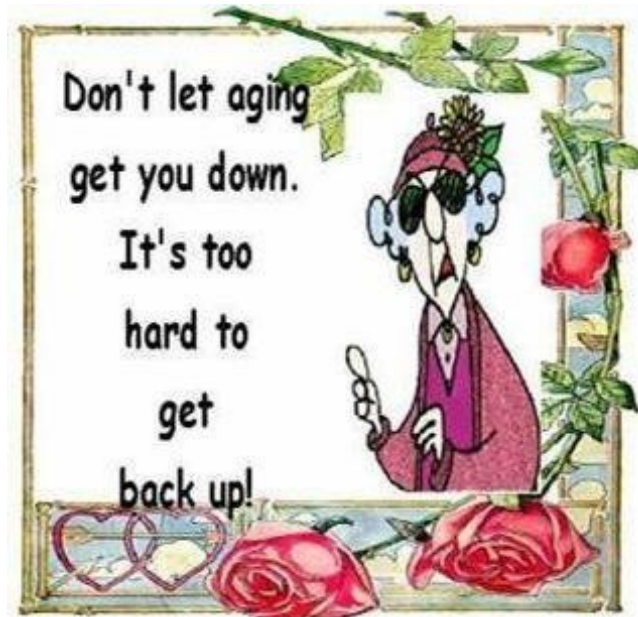
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Grandma's Spectacles

"Wouldn't you hate to wear spectacles all the time?" said a small boy to his playmate.

"Nooo..." the other boy answered slowly. "Not if I had the kind that Grandma wears. You see, she sees how to fix a lot of nice things to do on rainy days, and she sees when folks are tired and sorry and what will make them better, and she always sees what you meant to do, even if you haven't got things right. I asked her one day how could she see that way all the time, and said it was the way she learned to look at things as she grew older. So it must be her spectacles!"

The milk and the meat and the fruit that you eat,
the butter you spread on your bread,
All come from the toil of the man on the soil
and that's how Australia is fed!



Information & Church family news
for the congregations of
St David's & St Oswald's

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**Growing a community of faith
committed to Christ and making him known**

Let's go up the mountain.
Let's go up to the place where the land
meets the sky
where the earth touches the heavens,
to the place of meeting,
to the place of mists,
to the place of voices and
conversations,
to the place of listening.

O God,
We open our eyes and we see Jesus,
the months of ministry transfigured to
a beam of light, the light of the world,
your light.
May your light shine upon us.
Amen.

Praise for:

- † The Harvest Festival last week and for the wonderful job Stephen did in leading the service. Praise God for the bountiful harvest in our gardens and for the opportunity to share our blessings with others
- † Kathy Suttar's latest tests were all clear
- † The daily blessings we receive from the Lord, and pray we see the Lord's hand in all of these
- † All of those who speak of their love for Jesus to others
- † Our caring church family

Pray for:

- † Ian Wills as he waits for a surgical date to remove a cancerous tumour, and for Helen as she cares for him. Pray it will be soon
- † Louise Brown's daughter Sarah and her partner Steve after problems were found at her most recent ultrasound. Pray for the family in this trying time
- † Dear old friends now in aged care facilities, particularly remembering Dick, Margot, Rona, Sheila, and Laurice (who we now see most Sundays)
- † Missions supported by our church members
- † For a revival in our Parish and that new families would join us
- † The children and their families who have recently received SP Operation Christmas Child boxes. Pray that they and their families will give their lives to Christ

Pray daily for:

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

What's going on?

Stephen Atkins Concert - Sunday 4th March 3:30 to 6pm at Tamar Valley Church Exeter. Concert in aid of Mission Possible For Future Generations (MPFG), a children's mission in the Philippines. Organised by Issy Brown and Melody Brooks

Bible Society 201st Birthday Hymnfest - Sunday 18th March, 2:30 to 4pm at St John's Launceston. Enjoy fellowship across the churches of Launceston, sing the hymns you know and love, and hear about Bible Society's bicentennial year and plans to bring God's word to the world in the years to come. Singing lead by Rebecca Jee and organ accompaniment by Craig Stenton

CMS Tasmania World Mission Conference - 7pm to 10pm, Friday 4th May and 9am to 4.30pm, Saturday 5th May at Wellspring Anglican Church, Sandy Bay. Featuring Mike Raiter (Centre for Biblical Teaching) and David Williams (St Andrew's Hall), two of the great minds in contemporary mission thinking, who will stimulate and engage our thinking with outstanding Bible & missiology teaching. Mike will preach three times, from Luke & Revelation and David will present three talks, The Gospel to the Nations, The Gospel from the West & The Gospel in Australia



Many thanks to all who brought items for the Harvest Thanksgiving service last Sunday.

\$115 was raised from the sale of fruit and vegetables, which will be donated to support the work of City Mission

Services for the coming week:

Today

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

Monday 12th February

2:00 pm Cadorna

Wednesday 14th February (Ash Wednesday)

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

12:00 pm Prayer Gathering at St Oswald's

Next Sunday 18th February

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

Home Groups

David & Ann Collings' Home: Tuesday 1:30pm

Marie Igglesden's Home: Tuesday 1:45pm

Ken & Jenny Pedley's Home: Tuesday 7:30pm



Jan Menzie - 12th February

From the drink in your cup, to the icing on your cake, to the company that surrounds you, may your birthday be the sweet celebration you deserve!