

From Bishop Richard Condie

Dear Friends

It was a sincere joy to join with the Diocesan family on Saturday, to ordain the Revds Jamie Bester, Jacob Crane and Tristan Dallas to the Diaconate. Please uphold them in your prayers.

On Saturday we also launched the 40 Days of Lament and Repentance during the Ordination service, with the clergy removing their robes and joining the congregation as we entered into Lament for our failures. This week we focus on our failure to respect and care for our children.

On Sunday I visited the Parishes of Northside, Edge and New Town Lenah Valley to pray.

Please join me in giving thanks to God for:

- The Revd Jamie Bester, The Revd Jacob Crane and The Revd Tristan Dallas, and their ordination on Saturday.
- Those who are embracing the season of Lament and Repentance

Please pray:

- For Jamie, Jacob and Tristan as they settle into their new ministries.
- That God would meet us in our lament and repentance.
- That the prayers offered in Northside, Edge and New Town would bear fruit for God's Glory.
- For spiritual revival in the Diocese of Tasmania as we come to God in repentance.
- For the Clergy who will gather for a Lenten Retreat on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

Remember that you can subscribe to daily prayer points with the PrayerMate App for your mobile or tablet.

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Just for Laughs

Sitting on the side of the highway waiting to catch speeding drivers, a State police officer sees a car puttering along at 22 MPH. He thinks to himself, "This driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!" So, he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over.

Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies--two in the front seat and three in the back--wide-eyed and white as ghosts. The driver, obviously confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit! What seems to be the problem?"

"Ma'am," the officer replies, "you weren't speeding, but you should know that driving much slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit? No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly 22 miles an hour!", the old woman says a bit proudly.

The officer, trying to contain a chuckle explains to her that "22" was the highway number, not the speed limit.

A bit embarrassed, the woman grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her error.

"But before I let you go, ma'am, I have to ask, is everyone in this car okay? These women seem awfully shaken and they haven't muttered a single peep this whole time," the officer asks

"Oh, they'll be all right in a minute officer. We just got off Highway 119."



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Information & Church family news

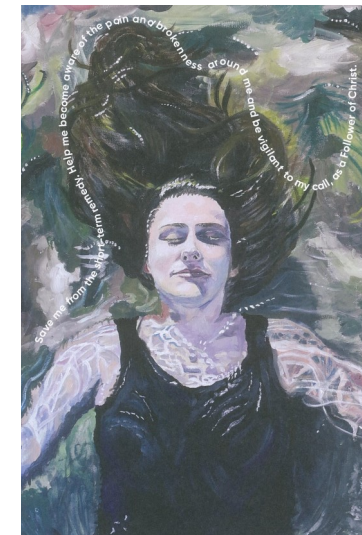
for the congregations of

St David's & St Oswald's

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

Loving Father,
I am so touched that the King of Glory
would embrace brokenness and pain
on my behalf.
Save me from the short-term remedy.



Help me become
aware of the pain
and brokenness
around me and
be vigilant to my
call, as a Follower
of Christ,
**to step into that
brokenness and
bring your hope.**
Amen.

Praise for:

- ✠ The most interesting talk last Sunday by Dave, such an enthusiastic person in serving the Lord Jesus
- ✠ Bishop Richard
- ✠ Missionaries serving here in Australia and overseas
- ✠ The life and service of Rev Billy Graham

Pray for:

- ✠ Chris Lawrence who has shingles, and complications from Crohn's disease
- ✠ Stuart Menzie who is having complications following his hernia operation
- ✠ Marie Igglesden who has been having problems with low blood pressure
- ✠ World Day of Prayer services around the world this week. Praise for this opportunity to come together in worship, prayer & praise as one Church
- ✠ Wisdom and clarity for us all as we vote in the state election this Saturday, that we would have stability in the state and Commonwealth
- ✠ New Zealand & Pacific Islands as they continue to clean up after Cyclone Gita
- ✠ Common sense would prevail for gun control legislation to be enacted in the US. Pray for all those affected by the latest tragedy

Continue praying:

- ✠ Ian Wills; Louise & family

Pray daily for:

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

What's going on?

World Day of Prayer service - This Friday 2nd March, 10:30am at St Francis' Catholic Church

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

Bishop Richard Lenten Prayer Meetings - Bp Richard plans to visit almost all the Parishes in the Diocese during Lent, to gather with whom-ever is available, to confess our sins, lament our failings and pray for God's blessing. Please come along and join us at St Aidan's, 5pm on Thursday 22nd March. There will be other opportunities to pray at other parishes. Check the monthly news for times & dates

Safe Church Communities Training Day - Saturday 24th March, at St John's Parish Centre, 9am to 12:30pm refresher training. Registration is essential by Friday 16th March to scc@anglicantas.org.au or phone 62202012. Morning tea will be provided, please BYO lunch

Operation Christmas Child State Conference - Friday 20th & Saturday 21st April at the Tailrace Centre, Riverside

CMS Tasmania World Mission Conference - 4th & 5th May at Wellspring, Sandy Bay

Services for the coming week:

Today

10:00 am Holy Communion at St David's

Wednesday 28th February

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

12:00 pm Prayer Gathering at St Oswald's

Friday 2nd March

10:30 am World Day of Prayer service at St Francis' Catholic Church Pomona Road, Riverside

Next Sunday 4th March

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

Keep your thoughts positive because your thoughts become your words.

Keep your words positive because your words become your behaviour.

Keep your behaviour positive because your behaviour becomes your habits.

Keep your habits positive because your habits become your values.

Keep your values positive because your values become your destiny.

Mahatma Gandhi