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Service Times For Worship Centres

June 2009

East Launceston

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| 7 th | 10:00 am | Morning Prayer |
| 14 th | 10:00 am | Communion |
| 21 st | 10:00 am | Communion |
| 28 th | 10:00 am | Communion |

George Town

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| 7 th | 9:00 am | Hillwood Communion |
| | 9:00 am | Pipers River Morning Prayer |
| | 10:30 am | George Town Communion |
| 14 th | 9:00 am | Low Head Communion |
| | 10:30 am | George Town Together at George Town |
| 21 st | 9:00 am | Pipers River Communion |
| | 10:30 am | George Town Communion |
| 28 th | 9:00 am | Low Head Communion |
| | 10:30 am | George Town Communion |

Riverside & Trevallyn

| | Riverside | Trevallyn |
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| 7 th | 9:00 am Communion | 11:00am Communion |
| 14 th | 9:00 am Morning Prayer | 11:00am Kid's Church |
| 21 st | 9:00 am Communion | 11:00 am Communion |
| 28 th | 9:00 am Communion | 11:00am Communion |
| Each Wednesday there is a Healing Service at St Oswald's based on Holy Communion at 10:00am | | |

Peace Haven

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| 14 th | 10:30 am Morning Prayer |
| 21 st | 10:30 am Holy Communion |
| 28 th | 10:30 am Morning Prayer |

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ANZAC Day Service at Peace Haven



“Living the heartbeat of God”

Linking ministering communities in East Launceston, George Town, Hillwood, Low Head, Pipers River, Riverside and Trevallyn

FROM THE ENABLER



This month it is a pleasure to interview another member of our Riverlinks church family. Mark hasn't been with us long, but he is much appreciated in the George Town congregation. I hope that his life encourages you in your life with Jesus.

Life with Mark Madura

David

Hello Mark and welcome to the *Life* interview.

Mark, when did you join the congregation in George Town and what brought you to George Town?

Mark

I moved to George Town as it is close to my work place. I started going to Riverlinks George Town after I met Trish and Robyn at the George Town on Show combined service last December.

David

Tell us about your family and your life before moving to Tasmania – where you grew up, what life was like for you before you moved to Australia, who your family is and where they are now.

Mark

I grew up in the Philippines and became a Christian through my teachers in high school. I transferred from the University of the Philippines to Australia upon my uncle's encouragement

'Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of Life'

(Gen 2:7)

ANZAC Day services at Peace Haven

The chapel has again this year been the venue for two very moving ANZAC services.

The first service, which was well attended, was held on Friday 24th April for residents of the Hostel, special care and friends. This service was arranged and conducted by members of the staff, and Rev Peter North who also delivered the address,

Poems were read by the residents of the hostel. The chapel was appropriately dressed up for the occasion, with the Australian flag, bible, slouch hat and laurel wreath.

The service, which was appreciated by all present, concluded with a piper playing "Amazing Grace" and a very enjoyable morning tea followed the service.

The service on ANZAC day morning was attended by around 60 residents of the village and friends. Mr Dennis Holmes introduced Rev Peter North who again delivered the address and led us in worship. Mr Harold Williams and Mrs Noreen Stubbs read poems. Three hymns were sung, and the playing of "The Last Post" and "Rouse" was very moving.

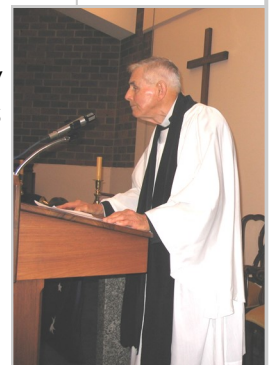
Several ex-servicemen and women were in attendance. Many residents who are unable to attend the cenotaph services in the city expressed their appreciation in having a service in the chapel.

After the service morning tea was served in the day therapy centre.

Trevor Giles



Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.





Cancer Luncheon at St Oswald's



On May 20th St Oswald's Guild held a very successful lunch to raise money for the Cancer Council

About 30 people attended and we raised \$416.

Diane Fowler spoke about her own experience of her husband's cancer, the availability of palliative care for cancer sufferers, and some practical advice for those caring for family with cancer.

Guests were entertained with competitions and a comic reading by Jan Menzie.

Thanks to all the people who helped make this such an enjoyable day, especially the men who helped in the kitchen.
Mary Bonnily



Guest speaker Diane Fowler with Jo Janes

1 in 2

Australians will be diagnosed with cancer before the age of 85.

Money raised by the Biggest Morning Tea helps to fund Cancer Council's research, prevention, education and support services.



because I wanted to gain a better education. My family is still in the Philippines, but I have some relatives in Sydney. I normally get to see them once or twice a year when I go back. Since I started work here in Tasmania, they have been the ones visiting me.

David

What were you doing before moving to Tasmania? Tell us about your recent graduation as well.

Mark

I was completing my engineering degree back in Sydney before I came to Tasmania. In April I went back to Sydney to attend my graduation. I used most of my time to catch up with relatives and friends during my short trip. Walking on stage to get my diploma was brief, yet satisfying, not just for me, but for my parents as well.

David

As there is for many people, there's some uncertainty surrounding your job. How do you handle this as a Christian?

Mark

It is a bit scary to be starting out in the midst of this economic climate. I still make sure I follow the news closely each day. But even then, I am aware that God gave me this opportunity for work, so the next steps that happen in my life are in His hands.

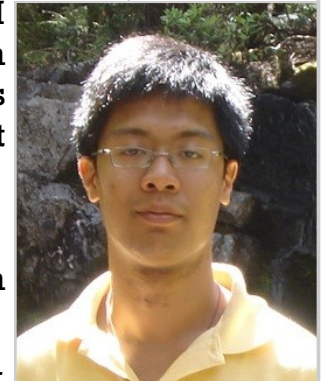
David

What difference does being a Christian make for you in your job and workplace?

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'Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal Life to which you were called

(1 Tim 6:12a)



FROM THE ENABLER *cont/...*

*Therefore
choose*

Life,

*that you and
your off-
spring may
live, loving
the LORD
your God,
obeying his
voice and
holding fast
to him, for
he is your*

*Life and
length of
days*

*(Deut
30:19b-20)*

Mark

I try my best to treat everyone with respect and understanding even when they can be difficult to deal with. I also try to watch my words, but I admit that it's hard to do sometimes.

David

What for you are the best things about being a Christian?

Mark

The best thing about being a Christian is the relationship we can have with God, and the great opportunity we have in being able to communicate with Him.

David

What do you like so far about the George Town congregation?

Mark

I enjoy the company and the care that the congregation has for each other. It's great to see how much they look after those who are in need within the church community.

David

What would you like to see happen in your church and in the wider community?

Mark

I'd like to see people to know God in a deeper way, especially the younger people.

David

Thank you, Mark, for speaking with us about your life. One last question that I like to ask Christians:

Trish Anderson's 60th birthday

The shared luncheon celebration for Trish's 60th was a wonderful time, not many people were able to come but the ones that did certainly lifted the surprise element!

Besides all Trish's family & Church Family—Heather McLean (Edmonds) came all the way from Devonport for the Church Service too and Kaye & Ross Gregory joined us for lunch and a huge cake!



The Lord
bless you
and keep
you;

the Lord
make his
face shine
upon you
and be
gracious
to you;

the Lord
turn his
face
toward
you and
give you
peace.

*Numbers
6:24-26*



BCA 90th Anniversary

An invitation is extended to Clergy and Parishioners to attend a dinner to celebrate BCA society's 90th anniversary to be held at St Thomas Anglican Church hall, 5 Lorne Cres Howrah,

Friday 19th June 7:00 pm

Guest speakers include Rt Rev Dr Peter Brain President BCA and RevCanon Brian Roberts, National Director

As there is limited space please reply ASAP to Rev'd Dennis Quinn 6244 5098

0417 053 239 or tas@bushchurchoaid.com.au

RSVP by Friday 12th June

Easter at Low Head

Low Head church had an Easter Bonnet Parade at their Easter Sunday service



What is one thing that you are especially looking forward to in the New Creation and why?

Mark

I'm looking forward to meeting Christians of past, and being able to physically walk with God, because I'd like to gain from their wisdom, especially on things that pertain to the historic and scientific.

Dear Riverlinks member, join me in thanking God for bringing Mark to us and in praying for him. I hope that his experience of life and God is an encouragement to you. Do also reflect on the verses I have selected this month from the Bible on *Life*.

Here's some upcoming opportunities to hear excellent Bible teaching on the *Life* that God has called us to together and to learn some skills in ministering that *Life* to others:

June & July

Tasmanian Bible Forums – see notice with details on page 11 of this newsletter.

August

'Preach the Good News' one-day preaching conference – see notice on page 10.

'Equip' Ministry Conference – see notice on page 11 of this newsletter.

Warmly,

David

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

John 3:17

Mother's Day

Monday Wash Day

Lord, help me wash away all my selfishness and vanity so I may serve you with perfect humility through the week ahead.

Tuesday Ironing Day

Dear Lord, help me iron out all the wrinkles of prejudice I have collected through the years so that I may see the beauty in others.

Wednesday Mending Day

O God, help me mend my ways so I will not set a bad example for others.

Thursday Cleaning Day

Lord Jesus, help me to dust out all the many faults I have been hiding in the secret corners of my heart.

Mother's Day at Low Head was a day to pay tribute to our own mothers. We brought photos and put them on our honour board. We gave thanks for the gift of motherhood and for the privilege of caring for children.

We concentrated on mother church, on her influence on our faith journey and on our ongoing responsibility to the younger generation.

Then we adjourned to the boatshed for morning tea, simnel cake (recipe researched and cake baked by Betty) and flowers.

Indeed, it was a special day for special people.

Pat Crawshaw



Equip Ministry Conference

Friday night 7th August
to Sunday lunch 9th August
Camp Clayton, Ulverstone

Family friendly accommodation, great food and beach location, Bible teaching, looking to the future for our churches, ministry workshops galore.

**Conference brochures available
in each centre.**

Tasmanian Bible Forums

Saturday 13th June at Holy Trinity Ulverstone

or

Saturday 20th June at St George's Sorell

3 talks by the Rt Rev Dr Peter Brain
'Persevering With Joy'

And also:

Saturday 18th July at St Paul's St Helens

3 talks by the Venerable Helen Chick

"Extraordinary Jesus in the ordinary - Being the extraordinary followers of Jesus in the ordinary"

All TBF days run from 11am to 4pm

Cost \$15 (includes lunch & afternoon tea)

Bring your bible and a pen



**Hearing God's
word together
in Tasmania**



FRUITFUL

A camp designed for all involved or wanting to be involved in leading Age 15 & above

Key note speaker - Tim Hawkins Sydney youth pastor with over 30 years of experience. Do not miss out on this excellent opportunity.

Dodges Ferry June 26th—28th \$130

Registration brochures available from the parish office or www.anglicancampingtasmania.org



NOTICES



Preach the Good News! preaching conference

Tuesday 4th August
St Aidan's East Launceston

One-day preaching conference organised by Gospel Outreach Ministries, Sydney, led by David Cook, Principal of Sydney Missionary & Bible College, Malcolm Gill, lecturer in preaching and New Testament at SMBC, and Abraham Kuruvilla, lecturer in preaching at Dallas Theological Seminary, USA.

Topics covered will include:

- Preaching through Mark's gospel.
- Clarity in preaching.
- Tips for using illustrations.
- Narrative preaching – in particular to Gen Y.

The conference has a practical emphasis with ample opportunity for questions and discussion. This is a great training opportunity for our preachers!

Registration brochures available in each centre.

Have you heard the Bishop's Presidential Address to Synod???

go to www.anglicantas.org.au or ask Anne at the parish office for a printed copy

Scones, jam & cream fuelled those who attended our MD service this year. Mothers & their families of all ages were treated to a cafe-style "service" at St Aidan's centre in keeping with our intention to spoil our mums & to thank God for their provision.

Pews were abandoned in favour of coffee tables, tablecloths & our best china. Some of our very favourite "mums" were interviewed as to their experience of motherhood; Christina Booth & Jennifer Wilkinson each gave a vibrant testimony as to how Father God supported & encouraged them as busy mothers & grandmothers. It was encouraging to see both new & "old" faces attending, particularly as some of our regulars had their whole families come along as well.

We all ate well, drank good coffee & enjoyed the time focusing on the wonderful gift God has given us in families. And now we have to prepare something suitable for Father's Day in September!!

Thank you to all who contributed in setting up & preparing for this special event in any way.

Libby Todd

This is Joshua's (aged 11) mothers day poem which he wrote at school and read it out at the mothers day prayer service and at church on mother's day in George Town. Hope you all enjoy it.

When I cry you are there
When I'm hurt you hold my hand
When its raining you drive me around
When I'm hungry you feed me good
When I'm sad you cheer me up
When I'm tired you tuck me in
When I'm embarrassed you stop embarrassing me
When I cook you help me cook
When I'm having trouble you help me
When I walk you walk with me



Friday Shopping Day
O God, give me the grace to shop wisely so I may purchase eternal happiness for myself and all others in need of love.

Saturday Cooking Day
Help me, my Savior, to brew a big kettle of brotherly love and serve it with the clean, sweet bread of human kindness.

Sunday The Lord's Day
O God, I have prepared my house for you. Please come into my heart as my honored guest so I may spend the day and the rest of my life in your presence.

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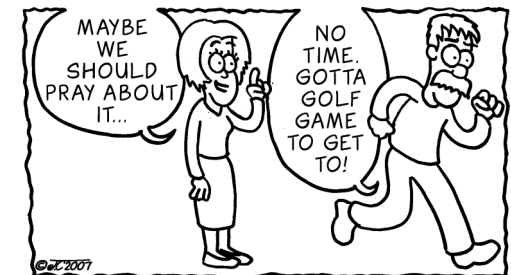
| June 2009 | |
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| 1st Mon | Ministry Support Team Meeting – 6:45pm |
| 2nd Tue | <i>(each Tuesday)</i> Women of St Aidan's Prayer Group Prayer & Healing Service – 1:30pm at George Town Home Groups – 11:00am at St David's Hall followed by prayer at 12:00pm – 1:30pm at Igglesden's home – 7:30pm at Booth's home – 7:30pm at Pedley's home – 7:30pm Stanford's group at St Aidan's |
| 3rd Wed | <i>(each Wednesday)</i> East Launceston Play Group – 10:30am to 12:00 noon in "The Upper Room" St Aidan's Evening Home Groups – 7:30pm at Stott's home – 7:30pm at Bullard's home |
| 4th Thur | <i>(each Thursday)</i> Home Group – 10:00am at Collyer's home mainly music – 10:00am at St Aidan's Women's Cursillo weekend |
| 5th Fri | Women's Cursillo weekend |
| 6th Sat | Women's Cursillo weekend |
| 7th Sun | Women's Cursillo weekend |

| June 2009 | |
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| 8th Mon | *** Queen's Birthday Public Holiday Cadorna – 2:00pm |
| 9th Tue | |
| 10th Wed | |
| 11th Thur | |
| 12th Fri | |
| 13th Sat | Tasmanian Bible Forum at Ulverstone |
| 14th Sun | Kid's Church – 11:00am at St Oswald's |
| 15th Mon | |
| 16th Tue | |
| 17th Wed | St Oswald's Guild – 2:00pm Ainslie Service – 2:30pm |
| 18th Thur | Presbyterian Home Legana – 10:45am |

Calendar

| June 2009 | |
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| 19th Fri | |
| 20th Sat | Tasmanian Bible Forum at Sorell |
| 21st Sun | |
| 22nd Mon | |
| 23rd Tue | |
| 24th Wed | |
| 25th Thur | Tamar Park – 1:45pm |
| 26th Fri | |
| 27th Sat | |
| 28th Sun | |
| 29th Mon | Prayer Group – 1:30pm at George Town |
| 30th Tue | |

| July and other dates 2009 | |
|---------------------------|--|
| 18th July | Tasmanian Bible Forums |
| 4th August | 'Preach the Good News' preaching conference |
| 7th - 9th August | Equip Ministry Conference |
| 17th - 20th Sept | Men's Cursillo weekend |
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