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21-23 Arthur St  
East Launceston

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Worship Centre**  
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George Town

**Trevallyn  
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34 Bain Tce  
Trevallyn

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## Service Times For Worship Centres

October  
2010

East Launceston		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00 am 4:30 pm	Café Church Messy Church
10 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am	Communion
17 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am	Morning Prayer
24 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am	Communion
31 <sup>st</sup>	-	No service

George Town		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Hillwood Communion Pipers River Morning Prayer George Town Communion
10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Low Head Communion George Town Together @ 10.30
17 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Pipers River Communion George Town Communion
24 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Low Head Communion George Town Communion
31 <sup>st</sup>	10:00 am	Riverlinks Together Combined Service

Riverside & Trevallyn		
	Riverside	Trevallyn
3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00 am Communion	11:00am Communion
10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am Praise & Worship	11:00am Kid's Church
17 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am Communion	11:00am Communion
24 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am Communion	11:00am Kid's Church
31 <sup>st</sup>	No service	No service
Each Wednesday there is a Healing Service at St Oswald's based on Holy Communion at 10:00am		

Peace Haven	
10 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am Morning Prayer
17 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am Holy Communion
24 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am Morning Prayer

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# Newsletter



*Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?*

*Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?*

**Matthew 6:25,26**

## “Living the heartbeat of God”

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



Craig  
Schwarze

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I see the  
feathered birds  
of air they do not  
know one  
anxious care  
They do not wor-  
ry, fret or sigh  
Or doubt the  
Lord, then why  
should I?

Then why should  
I be filled with  
fear and anxious  
care when God is  
near?

The lilies do not  
grieve and sigh  
or doubt the Lord,  
then why  
should I?

Then I will seek  
God's kingdom  
first and he will  
feed and quench  
my thirst  
If flowers on earth  
and birds on high  
receive His care,  
then so shall I

## The Good Old Days

I frequently encounter criticism of the younger generation of Christians. Just this week I've seen complaints that they are biblically illiterate, morally lax, have short attention spans, low commitment levels, and (inexplicably) don't listen to their elders. This is a classic appeal to the "Good Old Days". No-one uses the phrase anymore because it invites such derision, but the sentiment is still very prevalent. In the past, it seems, everything was better - including the church and the Christians.

If we look at our own denomination, there is no doubt that religious affiliation peaked near the middle of the twentieth century, and has declined since. Was this, then, a golden age for the Anglican church? If we think in terms of social prestige, then perhaps it was. But if we think in terms of kingdom values, perhaps not. People who lived through the tail of that era tell me that the church was full of nominal Christians, who de-churched themselves as soon as more interesting Sunday alternatives became socially acceptable. Perhaps the good old days weren't actually all that good.

We can look back even further. In my research on the Rev. Richard Johnson, I recently came across this letter from his wife to a friend in England, written in 1795 -

*I wish that I could tell you that the Gospel flourished in this distant part of the world, but on the contrary every sermon is treated with contempt. They neither regard the joys of Heaven nor the torments of Hell - it is all alike to them. But they will be left without excuse, for they cannot say that they have not been told the consequences of sin. I trust Mr Johnson has been faithful to these poor hardened souls, and he can do no more. Conversion is the Lord's own work, and when he is pleased to work none can hinder.*

She could easily be talking about 21st century Australia. Not much has changed, really - people are people, and the path to destruction has always been broad and wide.

### BUDGET 2010/2011

ember	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
14000	14000	14000	14000	14000	14000	14000	14000
200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
	9000			9000			9000
30						30	
400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350
100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
650	650	650	650	650	650	650	650
1000			1000			1000	
400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
220	220	220	220	220	220	220	220
200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
	250			250			250
2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500
20050	28270	19020	20020	28270	19020	20050	28270
300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
900	900	900	900	900	900	900	900
220	220	220	220	220	220	220	220
400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
550	550	850	550	550	850	550	550
400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
4350	4350	4350	4350	4350	4350	4350	4350
120	120	120	120	120	120	120	120
140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140
3650	3650	3650	3650	3650	3650	3650	3650
45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45
100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
							450
400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
	2000			3000			8000
	1500			1500			1500
500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
	1000			1000	1200		
400		400		400			
200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
220	220	220	220	220	220	220	220
200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
420	420	420	420	420	420	420	420
		4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000
17315	21415	21615	20915	26815	22415	20915	30865

RIVERLINKS PARISH						
	Total	July	August	September	October	Nov
<b>INCOME</b>						
Offertory	168000	14000	14000	14000	14000	1
Donations	2400	200	200	200	200	
Interest Diocesan	36000			9000		
Interest CBA	60					
Home Mission Income	4800	400	400	400	400	
Hall Hire	4200	350	350	350	350	
Photocopy Income	1200	100	100	100	100	
House Rental	7800	650	650	650	650	
GST Refund	4000		1000			
CTM Income	4800	400	400	400	400	
Mainly Music	2640	220	220	220	220	
Seminar income	2400	200	200	200	200	
Findlay Estate	0					
Enabler Accts reimb	1000			250		
Youth Ministry	24000			2000	2000	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>263300</b>	16520	17520	27770	18520	2
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
Administration	3600	300	300	300	300	
Aurora	10800	900	900	900	900	
Advertising	2640	220	220	220	220	
Equipment Purchase	4000		4000			
Church Supplies	4800	400	400	400	400	
Church Cleaning	7800	850	550	550	850	
CTM Costs	4800	400	400	400	400	
Diocese Assessment	23400	1800	1800	1800	2000	
Enabler Salary	52200	4350	4350	4350	4350	
Long Service Leave	1440	120	120	120	120	
Workers comp	1680	140	140	140	140	
Office Administrator	43800	3650	3650	3650	3650	
Tasmanian Anglican	540	45	45	45	45	
Pastoral Payments	1200	100	100	100	100	
Insurance	14400	1200	1200	1200	1200	
Licences	600			150		
MST Training	4800	400	400	400	400	
Mainly Music	2400	200	200	200	200	
Mission	15000			2000		
Building Maintenance	6000			1500		
General Maintenance	6000	500	500	500	500	
Photocopier Costs	4800	400	400	400	400	
Rates Services costs	4200			1000		
Rental Costs	2600		500	400	500	
Seminar Costs	2400	200	200	200	200	
Telephone	2640	220	220	220	220	
Travel Entertainment	2400	200	200	200	200	
Xerox direct Debit	5040	420	420	420	420	
Youth Ministry	24000					
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>259980</b>	17015	21215	21765	17715	1
<b>Profit/Loss</b>	<b>3320</b>					

But the last word on this subject belongs to someone much wiser than myself -

“Do not say, ‘Why were the old days better than these?’ For it is not wise to ask such questions.” (Ecclesiastes 7:10)

*This article first appeared at [www.sydneyanglicans.net](http://www.sydneyanglicans.net) 25/08/10*

## Transforming Women’s Lives



**Faustina Boama-Yorke and Mercy Senahe**

$\$880.05 + \$4400 = \$5280.05$

Many thanks to all who came to hear about Mercy and Faustina’s work in Ghana. It was a terrifically interesting and enjoyable evening where we heard of work done to rehabilitate women, who as children, had been taken from their families and given to the priests to make amends for past wrongs done by their families. In Ghana this unjust and now illegal practice have affected the lives of as many as 3000 women and their children born to the priests.

Each dollar raised was matched by a \$5 grant by the Australian government so that our evening raised \$5280 towards work to educate and provide a future for these women. A great result. Many thanks again.

Helen Boughton

*Most folks don’t know what they want, but it’s something different from what they have.*



Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires; God will satisfy them fully!

*Matthew 5:6  
GNB*



*Do what you can where you are with what you have.*

*Moody*



He knows, he loves, he cares. Nothing his truth can dim. He gives the very best to those who leave the choice to him.

*For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.*

2 Cor 8:9

Some people make such thorough preparation for rainy days that they aren't enjoying today's sunshine!

## Appointment of Children's & Families Ministry Officer, Riverlinks Parish

The Bishop is pleased to announce the appointment of **James Oakley** to the position of Children's and Families Ministry Officer in the Parish of Riverlinks as from January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

James is married to Sally and has three children, Emily (5 years), Sophy (4 years) and Felix (9 months). James is currently working as a lawyer with Victorian Legal Aid and is involved extensively with young children and families in the Family Church at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, South East Bendigo where he co-ordinates this program.

James attended university in Hobart and was involved in youth work in the parish of Bay West from 1995-2002. He was also a music and worship leader in that parish. James' wife, Sally, lived in Launceston with her parents when she was a small child and the family attended St. Aidan's, East Launceston before moving interstate and then to Hobart. Her brother and his family currently live in Launceston.

This is a joint position with the diocese. James will be based in the north, working three days per week with Riverlinks and two days with the diocese supporting the CYM program.

We look forward to James, Sally and their family joining us in January and working with Riverlinks in this significant area of ministry.

## Parish Council Report

The following members have been appointed to the Riverlinks Parish Council:

Ian Morley	- <i>Chairperson</i>	[Trevallyn / Riverside]
Greg Stanford	- <i>Deputy Chairperson</i>	[East Launceston]
Bill Rayner	- <i>Secretary</i>	[East Launceston]
Ken Pedley	- <i>Treasurer</i>	[Trevallyn / Riverside]
Brian Baxter		[George Town]



Summerview  
Conference

13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> January

Camp Banksia, Port Sorell



- ✓ Judith Calf – Bible studies on King Saul in 1 Samuel, with the theme “Chosen by God”
- ✓ Steve Maina – from Kenya, National Director of NZ CMS
- ✓ Mark Strand – Director, Evergreen China
- ✓ Steve and Narelle Etherington – CMS missionaries in the Northern Territory for more than 2 decades
- ✓ Plus a number of electives

*Registration forms out soon!*

## An extract from “*Road to Damascus*”

As August melted away we were making contingency plans for an unknown amount of time out of the country. This included planning three months of church services. On the last day that the Immigration Office was open before our visa expired Andrew visited the General with a letter from the American charg  d'affaires requesting a visa extension so that members of the diplomatic community could put forward a case to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs after Ramadan. The General called an office assistant to expedite the process and within half an hour Andrew walked out, amazed, with a month's extension stamped in our passports.

We are aware of so many people praying for us. How often we pray “give us today our daily bread” forgetting that many people live hand to mouth and that it is a prayer of total dependence on God. We have never had to pray that prayer with that intensity but God is teaching us a greater sense of dependency on him for staying in Syria. It has helped confirmed our sense that this where we should be. It is both a burden and a blessing.

**- Andrew & Pam Lake**

**Seniors  
Week  
service  
& diabetes  
education  
workshop**

Friday  
1<sup>st</sup> October  
11:00am at  
St David's  
Riverside

**Give thanks for Encouragement**  
Pam has received from people keen to assist with the English language school. The visa extension.  
**Please pray for Foreign diplomats in Damascus** lobbying the Government for the Lakes to stay. Bishop Suheil and Lambeth Palace continuing to work for the proper reg'n of the Anglican Church in Syria.



# NOTICES

**Teddy Bear's Picnic**  
 Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October - 10.30 am  
 at St Mary Magdalene's, George Town  
 A special service for children and adults and  
 their favourite bears  
 followed by a bring and share lunch



## Anglican Women's Fellowship

The next get together of the local GeorgeTown AWF will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 10am at Belle's Tea Rooms.

Please let Helen know if you are able to attend.



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

**TASMANIAN BIBLE FORUMS**

*Understanding and applying the book of Isaiah*

**with Rev Gary Nelson**

10.00am – 3.00pm

\$15 (includes morning tea & lunch)

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at St Paul's, St Helens

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October at Holy Trinity, Ulverstone

Bring your Bible & a pen and ***please read Isaiah 6 beforehand***

*Gary Nelson has worked as a Maths teacher, a missionary teacher in Papua New Guinea, served in three very different Sydney parishes, and since 2006 he has been Director of External Studies at Moore Theological College.*

**PLUS Bill Stewart and Jill McCoy in conversation on**

**'Signs of the Kingdom of God in John's Gospel'**

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October 10.00am to 3.00pm

at St George's Anglican Church, Sorell

Bring your Bible & a pen - \$15 (includes morning tea & lunch)

*Bill Stewart is Priest in Charge of St James, New Town, and St Andrews, Lenah Valley, and is currently completing postgraduate research in biblical studies writing a thesis on prophetic signs in the Bible and the ancient Middle East.*

*Jill McCoy taught at Ridley Theological College before moving to Tasmania, where she is now the Rector of the Parish of Sorell, Richmond and Tasman.*

Greg Clark		[George Town]
Tom Nixon	- Warden	[George Town]
Mark Ford	- Warden	[East Launceston]
David Sutton	- Warden	[Trevallyn / Riverside]
Mike Le Rossignol	- Coordinator of Admin	[MST Rep]
Jo Tevelein		[MST Rep]
Stephen Janes		[MST Rep]

## Parish Budget

Those members who were able to attend the Parish Annual Meeting will remember the Parish Budget required an adjustment. A new Parish Budget has been included on pages 10 & 11 in this newsletter with the necessary changes.

Please Note: The amount for "Youth Ministry" is showing an amount of \$24,000 as this Revenue / Expense item is for a 6 month period of the budget. In next year's budget the full 12 month figure will be shown.

## Children & Young Family Ministry

For parish members who were not able to attend the Annual Meeting I would like to commend a pamphlet that was included with the reports and should be available in each centre. The pamphlet is titled "Children & Young Families Ministry – Financial Commitment"

The pamphlet explains how we plan to fund the new Children and Young Family Ministry position within our parish either through a direct debit from a nominated Bank Account or by contributions using the special envelopes provided. Please contact Anne in the Parish Office if you have any questions about supporting this exciting new ministry.

Many thanks to those parish members who have already commenced supporting this new ministry. Even though James is not able to commence until mid January this early start will provide a good and necessary buffer for the appointment.

Ian M Morley - Chair



After the service a young couple talked to a church member about joining the church. He hadn't met the husband before, and he asked what church he was transferring from. After a short hesitation, he replied, "I am transferring from the Municipal Golf Course."



An elderly gentleman passed his granddaughter's room one night and overheard her repeating the alphabet in an oddly reverent way. "What on earth are you up to?" he asked. "I'm saying my prayers," explained the little girl. "But I can't think of exactly the right words tonight, so I'm just saying all the letters. God will put them together for me, because He knows what I'm thinking."

# Riverlinks

October 2010	
1st Fri	<b>Seniors Week service</b> – 10:00am at St David's followed by a healthy lunch & diabetes education workshop
2nd Sat	<b>Tasmanian Bible Forum</b> – 10:00am at St Helens
3rd Sun	<b>Messy Church</b> – 4:30pm at St Aidan's
4th Mon	<b>Ministry Support Team</b> – 6:45pm at St David's
5th Tue	(each Tuesday) <b>Women of St Aidan's Prayer Group Home &amp; Study Groups</b> – 1:45pm at Igglesden's home – 5:30pm at St Mary Magdalene's GTown – 7:30pm at Booth's home – 7:30pm at Pedley's home – 7:30pm Stanford's group at St Aidan's
6th Wed	(each Wednesday) <b>East Launceston Play Group</b> – 10:00am to 12:00 noon in "The Upper Room" St Aidan's <b>Home &amp; Study Groups</b> – 7:00pm at Gross' home Bell Buoy Beach – 7:30pm at Stott's home – 7:30pm at Bullard's home
7th Thur	*** <b>Launceston Show Day</b> (each Thursday) <b>Home Group</b> – 10:00am at Collyer's home <b>AWF George Town</b> – 10:00am at Belle's Tea Room
8th Fri	(each Friday) <b>KYB Study Group</b> – 10:00am at York Cove Centre G/Town

October 2010	
9th Sat	<b>Tasmanian Bible Forum</b> – 10:00am at Ulverstone
10th Sun	<b>Teddy Bears' Picnic</b> – 10:00am at St Mary Magdalene's George Town <b>Kids' Church</b> – 11:00am at St Oswald's
11th Mon	<b>Cadorna</b> – 2:00pm
12th Tue	
13th Wed	
14th Thur	<b>mainly music</b> – 10:00am at St Aidan's <b>Crafty Circle</b> – 10:00am at St David's <b>Parish Council</b> – 7:30pm
15th Fri	
16th Sat	<b>Cursillo Diocesan Ultreya</b> – 10:00am to 3:00pm at Campbell Town High School
17th Sun	<b>KYB Study Group</b> – 10:30am at St Alban's <b>Café Church on Bain</b> – 4:30pm at St Oswald's
18th Mon	
19th Tue	
20th Wed	<b>St Oswald's Fellowship Group</b> – 2:00pm <b>Ainslie Service</b> – 2:15pm

# Calendar

October 2010	
21st Thur	<b>mainly music</b> – 10:00am at St Aidan's <b>Presbyterian Home Legana</b> – 10:45am
22nd Fri	<b>Global Leadership Summit</b> at Door of Hope
23rd Sat	<b>Global Leadership Summit</b> at Door of Hope
24th Sun	<b>Bible Sunday</b> <b>Kids' Church</b> – 11:00am at St Oswald's
25th Mon	<b>Prayer Group</b> – 1:30pm at George Town
26th Tue	
27th Wed	
28th Thur	<b>mainly music</b> – 10:00am at St Aidan's <b>Crafty Circle</b> – 10:00am at St David's <b>Tamar Park</b> – 1:45pm
29th Fri	
30th Sat	<b>Tasmanian Bible Forum</b> – 10:00am at Sorell
31st Sun	<b>Riverlinks Together Combined Service</b> – 10:00am at St Mary Magdalene's, George Town

November and other dates 2010	
3rd - 5th November	<b>Clergy Conference</b>
7th November	<b>Teddy Bears' Picnic</b> at St Aidan's
14th November	<b>Preaching Workshop</b> at St David's
13th - 16th January	<b>CMS Summerview</b> at Camp Banksia Port Sorell

## Bishop John



Do you read Bishop John's blog?  
Go to: [www.imaginarydiocese.org](http://www.imaginarydiocese.org)  
to get daily updates on news items & things that are important in our world



The **deadline** for the next Newsletter edition is **20th October**

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