<u>COLLECT</u>: Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth so that they may return into the way of righteousness: grant to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's service that they may renounce those things that are contrary to their profession and follow all such things as are agreeable to it; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PRAYER BEFORE READING: We thank you, heavenly Father, for inspiring all Scripture by the Holy Spirit. By your Spirit help us so to hear your holy word that we might be equipped for every good work, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### **Next Week's Bible Readings:**

2 Samuel 7:25-29

Acts 2:1-13

John 7:25-44

## **Next Sunday's Sermon Text:**

John 7:25-44

### FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES

"The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, since all of us share the one bread."

### 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 (CSB)

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### WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

**Monday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

9-11am - Stay and Play (Playgroup)

2.00pm - Fellowship Gathering @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre

**Tuesday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

4pm - Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday: 9-10am - Prayer Gathering

2pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Lilian Essex-Clark's home)

**4pm** - Sunday@10 Singing Practice - see Simon Reeve **7.30-8.30pm** - Men's Bible Study - see Simon Reeve

Thursday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

11.00am - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre

4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent Woolgoolga (Hanger home)

Friday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)

**5.30pm** - WiFY - Years 6-12

2nd Sunday: 2pm - Jesus Club, SUNDAY 18 May



We warmly welcome you to Northern Beaches Anglicans.

If you are new, visiting, or one of our regulars, we are glad you have joined us today.



# John 7:1-24 – Come and see ...the man of truth

This week we take a step back into a previous preaching series in the gospel of John, one of the four biographies about Jesus in the New Testament. In this gospel the author, who was one of Jesus' closest disciples, wants us to see the evidence of the witnesses, to believe in Jesus, and therefore receive life in his name (John 20:31). But as we know not everyone who met Jesus accepted that he was God. Today, as we begin to look at John 7 we are introduced to a number of people who did not initially believe in Jesus, including Jesus' own brothers. But as Jesus teaches the crowds, and proves through clear logic, he encourages those who are prepared to listen to "Stop judging by mere appearance, but instead judge (who he is) correctly" (v24). And so we are also invited to come and see that Jesus is the man of truth.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Gaye Cutmore, Judy Howard, the Wylie family, Zia Nadan, Igbal Singh and Annie Finch.

Northern Beaches Analicans in the Diocese of Grafton is committed to protecting your privacy. The people on this list have requested prayer at this time.



# GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP: ARDFA

At the last Parish Council meeting we confirmed the approval of a \$2500 donation toward the Myanmar Earthquakes Appeal. Last week we received an update from ARDFA on how the disaster relief efforts are going. Their update indicated that around 55,000 homes have

been damaged or destroyed due to the earthquakes causing many safety issues related to limited temporary accommodation, and other waste and hygiene challenges. An ongoing civil war also adds to the uncertainty. However, the Church of Myanmar have been grateful to receive our financial support which has provided temporary shelters, food, water and medical care to those affected. Although there is still a long way to go, please continue to pray for the rebuilding efforts in this disaster area, and that the hope of the gospel may continue to be share with those who are affected.



### **COMBINED SERVICE:**

The 5th Sunday in June is the Synod weekend. We will be hosting Synod Representatives at 8am, followed by our 10am family gathering.

The 31st August is the **NEXT** combined service.



# Offertory First 4 months 2025

	Budget	Actual
Cash	10,000.00	10,203.50
Electronic	28,333.00	41,524.00

TOTAL 38,333.00 **53,458.5**0

# HOPE EXPLORED



**Hope Explored** is a three session course that invites people to discover the lasting hope, peace and purpose that Jesus offers. Please join us at

the church on Tuesday beginning on 13th May and then on 20th and 27th May from 5—6pm.

For more details, please text Simon on 0450-255-055.

# **Change of Address:**



For those people who have been trying to contact Mari Simmons,

Marj's new address is: 1/35 Parklands Road, Largs, NSW 2320. Her phone number is unchanged.

# ".... the man of truth" **Today's Readings:**

2 Samuel 7:18-24 (pg 307) 2 Corinthians 10:1-7 (pg 1163) John 7:1-24 (pg 1070) **Next Sunday's Sermon Text:** 

John 7:1-24 (pg 1070)

**ROSTERS**: Thank you to those who responded to the

need for 8am morning tea. Rosters are available today in the pigeon holes. Please ensure that you pick them up. If you are unavailable to do your roster, please swap and LET THE

> **OFFICE KNOW**. This is very important.



## **PARISH COUNCIL**

Meets this Tuesday, 13 May, in the Parish Centre beginning at

6.30pm. Please pray for this important meeting.



# THANK YOU:

A very big thank you to all those who offered to help with Kids' Church.

Your amazing response and support have lifted Leone's heart.

# Our Songs of Praise



@8 \*I Cannot Tell

\*Change My Hear O God

\*I Just Want to Praise You \*How Great Thou Art

@10 \*Behold Our God

\*Jesus, Thank You

\*No Other Name

\*In Christ Alone



### **MOTHERS' DAY:**

A warm welcome to all who are here this morning, but an especially warm welcome to all

those joining us today who are mothers. We love our mums, and we are very thankful to God for the way in which our mums have nurtured and cared for us over the years. Today, we wish our mums are wonderful day filled with joy and peace.



**Barry & Tricia Smith Sunday 4 May** 

May you enjoy your celebration and may God bless you both on your special day.



# **2025 PARISH DIRECTORY**

Our new directory will be available today and handed out over the coming weeks by Leone. Due to privacy requirements these can only be given to those in the directory.