

COLLECT: Let your merciful ears, Lord God, be open to the prayers of your people; and so that they, may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as will please you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 Readings:

Zechariah 8:13-17
Titus 2:1-15
Matthew 9:35-38

Next Week's Sermon Reading:
Titus 2:1-15

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES:

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God."

Romans 15:7 (NIV)

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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
1.30pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Anne Dorman's home)
2pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Lilian Essex-Clark's home)
4pm - Sunday@10 Singing Practice
7.30-8.30pm - Men's Bible Study - Ministry Centre

Thursday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
11.00am - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre
4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent (David & Leone's home)

Friday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)
5.30pm - WIFY - Parish Centre - Years 4-10

DAYS OFF Simon—Thursday Pam—Friday

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.



Gospel Leadership

As we enter the body of Paul's letter to Titus, we can see clearly the reason why Titus has been placed in Crete to assist this new church. Verse 10 tells us that there were 'many rebellious people, full of meaningless talk and deception' influencing the people who met in Jesus' name. Paul recognises that having elders like this leading the church will be harmful for the gospel and hinder its growth.

So his instruction to Titus outline the qualifications necessary for an elder or overseer in the church. These instructions are very similar to 1 Timothy 3, focusing on a persons character, and on the stability of their own family life. In many respects this sounds a little unachievable, however we know that the gospel of grace leads to this kind of transformation in all peoples lives.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Pam Stone, Rex Rainbow, Mark Wyborn, Pam Clarke, Athol Clarke, Marj Simmons, Belinda Stone, Jeff Maher and Susan Aber.

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

GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP: COMPASSION:

Today we congratulate and say farewell to **Grace**, one of our children we have been supporting. **Grace**, wrote two letters to us this year and they are on the board at the back if you would like to read them. Please be encouraged to read them as they say so much to us about how important our prayer and financial support has been for her.

1. She extends her thanksgiving for us, our letters and prayers. She appreciated Bible verses sent to her by a parishioner and understood the teaching about God.
2. With our financial help she has been able to finish her studies with no worries, as we covered Bible, school uniforms, medical and dental as well as gifts and skill trainings etc.
3. The most beautiful gift is that she came to know and accept Jesus as her Lord and Saviour.
4. She will always treasure us in her heart for our generosity.

Would you like to write a letter to one of our children? If so please talk to Leone Hanger on how to do that.

Also, we welcome **Khate (1)** who replaces Grace.



Chris & Bruce Wilson
Thursday 17th August

Happy Anniversary

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



'Gospel Leadership'
This Week's Readings

Jeremiah 23:9-15 (Pg 779)
Titus 1:5-16 (Pg 1200)
Matthew 7:15-27 (Pg 972)

This Week's Sermon Reading:
Titus 1:5-16 (Pg 1200)



The Toy and Bake Stall will be on **Saturday 19 August 9.00-12.00**

If you are **able to bake** or **have produce that can be sold** on the stall, **please bring to the Op Shop or Parish Office by Friday 18 August or deliver to the stall by 9am** on the day.

Happy Birthday

Florence Ledesma
Tuesday 15 August

Alan Beattie
Friday 18 August



May God bless you both on your special day

CHURCH OFFERINGS for July 2023

	Actual	Budget
Cash & Envelopes	\$4,051.50	\$3,750.00
Electronic Offering	\$4,825.00	\$4,167.00
TOTAL	\$8,876.50	\$7,917.00



North West Christians Women's Conference:

Saturday 2nd September in Tamworth.

Theme: 'Hosea: Unrelenting Love'.

Special guest speaker **Jenny Salt**.

If you would like to attend with Alison, Leone, Ella, Zoe and Jules then please let them know ASAP so that accommodation can be booked for the Friday night.



Today's Songs of Praise

- @8* Come Ye Faithful
- * My Hope Is Built
- * Come Down, O Love Divine
- ◇ In Christ Alone

- @10* Come People of The Risen King
- * My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness
- * The Servant King
- * The Reformation Hymn

PARISH COUNCIL ROUND-UP: The Parish Council met last Tuesday evening with the following outcomes:-

- ◇ Report of completion of repair to brickwork around the stained glass window
- ◇ ACNC Governance Self Evaluation started
- ◇ Success of BCA Combined Service and Pacific Island Worker's Service discussed
- ◇ Planning for Bishop's visit in November discussed
- ◇ Deacon's report on Chat & Chill, Jesus Club and Kairos received
- ◇ Financial statements for July reviewed
- ◇ The Warden's reported replacement of hot water service in the church and other minor repairs
- ◇ Discussion of potential NAB Branch closure noted
- ◇ Continued discussion about Portable AED to be sourced
- ◇ Potential Sound System upgrade flagged



Send Good News and Great Joy!

We have launched our **Operation Christmas Child** Shoeboxes appeal for this year. Jean Maher has shown us how to fill these shoeboxes appropriately so that they can bring joy and hope to children in need round the world. Please pray for the children who will receive these gifts as you fill each box, that they might enjoy this Christmas gift, but more importantly, that they may know the hope of Christ given for us. The shoeboxes are available at the back table in the church.

VACANCIES: Are you available?

Parish Office: Tuesday and Friday mornings 9am-12 noon. Filing, computer skills or answering telephone or other office skills. Speak with Leone Hanger or email her on office@northernbeachesanglicans.org.au.

Youth Ministry: Monday Mornings (Stay and Play), Friday evening 5.30-7.30pm (WiFY) or Kid's Church (Sunday during 10am service). Please speak with Simon or Alison

Other Ministry: Maybe you have a gift or skill that can help in the Op Shop or in a way in which we haven't thought of. Please speak with Simon.