

COLLECT: Almighty and everlasting God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and grant us your peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PRAYER BEFORE READING: Blessed Lord, you have caused all the Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us to so hear, read, learn and embrace them, that, encouraged and supported by your Word we may hold fast to the joyful hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Next Week's Bible Readings:

Psalm 38
Acts 3:1-10
Mark 5:35-43

Next Sunday's Sermon Text:

Psalm 38

SERMON SERIES MEMORY VERSE

"Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes."

Psalm 37:7 (CSB)

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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

Monday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

9-11am - Stay and Play (Playgroup) **IN RECESS**

2.00pm - Fellowship Gathering @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre

8.30am - Prayer Gathering

10am - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (contact Chris Wilson) **IN RECESS**

4pm - Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday: 9-10am - Prayer Gathering

1.30pm - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre

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

7.30-8.30pm - Men's Bible Study - see Simon Reeve **IN RECESS**

8.30am - Prayer Gathering

12.30pm - Gentlemen's Lunch (at Bluebottles Cafe) - see David Aber

4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent Woolgoolga **IN RECESS**

8.30am - Prayer Gathering

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

6pm - WiFY - Years 5-12 **IN RECESS**

2nd Sunday: 2pm - Jesus Club **IN RECESS**

DAYS UNAVAILABLE: Simon—Thursday, Daniel—Wednesday, Pam—Friday



18 JANUARY 2026 AD

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.



Psalm 37 – Patiently Waiting on the LORD

One of life's greatest sadnesses is seeing the vulnerable taken advantage of. Whether it is through abuse of power or corruption, exploiting the disadvantaged for personal gain is a great evil - and is more common in our society than we might like to admit. As Christians, we see the harm the wicked inflict on the vulnerable, and sometimes we wonder why God allows such things to happen. We might even ask, *'If God has the power to stop evil, why doesn't he?'* One response to this question is to consider what life would be like if God stop every evil act. You see, in the end God grants each person the freedom to chose how they will act – whether for the good of others or for selfish ends. And as Psalm 37 reminds us, God will ultimately call everyone to account, and there will be no future for the wicked. Therefore, as we witness evil in our world, we are called to wait patiently and trust in God's justice.

PARISH SERVICES: SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) & Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). NEXT Combined Service 22 February 2026 Sunday@9 - 9am



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Yve Fraser, Stephen Rea, Ross Crawford,
Simone Glendenning and Narelle Mallett

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

As 2026 gets underway we will soon see the commencement of Scripture taught in our local schools. The Coffs Coast Schools Ministry board facilitate the smooth running of Scripture across the Coffs Coast, including on the Northern Beaches. Money they raise goes directly to purchasing the student booklets and teacher manuals for these classes, as well as funding a High School Scripture teacher part-time. Please pray for the commencement of Scripture in our local schools, especially the High School, and consider financially contributing to this important local gospel partnership.



CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED:

A short 4-week course on the basics of Christianity will be run in the new year beginning on

**Tuesday evening 20 January,
5:30-6:30pm
at the church.**

If you know of anyone, or you are interested in joining yourself, please contact Simon.

Rosters for February to April are now available in the pigeon holes at the back of the Church



FOUNDER OF LOST CHILDREN OF JONLEI SCHOLARSHIPS - Aduk Dau will be visiting Northern Beaches Anglicans on **Sunday 8 February** at both services. Aduk will promote her gripping autobiography and update us on our sponsored student, Achol, who has now completed high school.

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS SATURDAY :

Next **Saturday 24 January** we will be offering training for Faithfulness in Service, Fire Safety and Safe Ministry. This training is for everybody, but especially for those involved in ministry in the church, from serving in the Op Shop, to helping with children's ministry or at Chat & Chill. We will begin by meeting at 9am in the Parish Centre. Please speak to Lynnette Hoskins or Simon if you are unsure if your training is up-to-date.

"Patiently Waiting on the LORD"

Today's Readings:

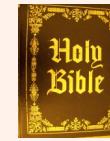
Psalm 37 (p 556)

Matthew 5:1-12 (pg 968)

Mark 5:21-34 (pg 1006)

Today's Sermon Text:

Psalm 37 (p 556)



2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Sunday 22 February there will be a **Combined Service** at **9am** followed by morning tea and **our AGM in the Parish Centre**. Please be praying and preparing for this especially important meeting as it is an election year where various positions will be filled to satisfy our Diocesan requirements such as **Parochial Nominators, Synod Representatives**, along with **Parish Councillors and Wardens**. If you have an **annual report** to be added to the AGM booklet please ensure they are at the Parish Office **no later than Sunday 1 February**.

Our Songs of Praise

@8*The Lord's My Shepherd

*Be Still For the Presence of the Lord

*Be Still and Know

*When We Walk with the Lord

@10*Everlasting God

*We Remember

*My Soul Will Wait for You

*We Belong to the Day

SRE Teachers:

As the holidays continue please pray for more Scripture teachers to come forward and offer themselves to serve in the local schools in 2026.

WHY? Some teachers have retired after long periods of teaching and are in need of a break. Please pray for all SRE teachers on the Coffs Coast as they prepare to return to share the love of Jesus and his Word to the local school students.

Happy Birthday



TODAY 18 January

Anne Moon

Saturday 24 January

Heather Allen

May God bless you on your special day

Happy Anniversary

Dan & Shonae Rowe

Monday 19 January

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



READY FEET SUNDAY – 25 JAN:

Next **Sunday 25 January** at both services, we will be commissioning and praying for people as we commence the new ministry year. This will include all those involved in the ministries of the parish as we reach people from the cradle to the grave. Please take this opportunity to show your support for each of these ministries.