BCA COLLECT: Lord our God, Help us to remember those who live in isolated and remote parts of our land. We ask you to strengthen and encourage all whose ministries are supported by The Bush Church Aid Society. Refresh them in times of discouragement and loneliness and call others to stand with them in the task of making Christ known. Grant that, through the ministry of Word and Sacraments, through caring service and by support of young people, the message of your redeeming love may be proclaimed and accepted by the people of our land. We ask these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

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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.



Growth and Witness – 1 Peter 2:4-10

This morning we welcome the Rev'd Mike Uptin, the QLD/NNSW Regional Officer for the Bush Church Aid Society. Mike will be filling us in on some of the ministry BCA is doing in rural, regional and remote Australia. We look forward to hearing an update on our link Field Staff, Dave and Margie Wood, who have been serving in Coober Pedy since March this year. Mike will also be preaching on 1 Peter 2:4-10 as we think about what it means to be 'living stone' built into a spiritual house where the Lord Jesus, also a living stone, is the capstone or cornerstone by which we are built. Much of this passage connects with imaginary from the Old Testament, and how gentile Christians in God's mercy have now become God's people to fulfil a priestly role in this world. May we declare the praises of our God in our growth and witness.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mark Wyborn, Marj Simmons, Ivan Heckenberg, Gwen Wills, Henry Hill, Bob Hoskins, Joan Cowling and Thelma Watkins.

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: Bush Church Aid Society

Today we welcome the Rev'd Mike Uptin to both our 8am and 10am Service. NBA has a long connection to BCA, both supporting Field Staff around Australia, and receiving support from churches around Australia. And so we are grateful to God for this vital work transforming communities and bearing fruit for the gospel. Please continue to pray for BCA, and particularly our link Field Staff, Dave and Margie Wood in Coober Pedy.

PARISH COUNCIL ROUND-UP:

The Parish Council meet this week and the issues discussed are as follows:

- Resignation of Ministry Apprentice
- The Diocesan Synod in June
- The Diocesan Restructure Review on 5 August
- The SMBC Mission in April 2025
- The Honorary Deacon's ministry report
- Financial Statement for June and July, and our financial position
- The Warden's report
- The Op-Shop Coordinator's report
- The Office Manager's report
- Financial support for Operation Christmas Child
- Arrangements for a Fire Audit of Parish Property
- Safety concerns for footpath to easy-access toilet, and door lock replacement
- Potential solar panel installation on Rectory

COFFS COAST SCHOOLS MINISTRY:

CCSM is holding its Annual Supporter Dinner at 6pm on Saturday 24 August at Harbourside Presbyterian Church in Coffs Harbour. Tickets are \$20 and can be paid for at the door on the night. Please call Carolyn Saunders on 0438 422 574 to reserve your spot.



"Growth and Witness"

Today's Readings: Psalm 118:14-29 (pg 609) 1 Peter 2:4-10 (pg 1221) Matthew 14:25-33 (pg 981)

Today's Sermon Title: 1 Peter 2:4-10 (pg 1221)

Prayer Before Reading:

Thank you, Father, for making yourself known to us, showing us the

way of salvation through faith in your Son. We ask you now to teach us through your word, so that we may be ready to serve you, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Come along to BCA Connect on Sunday 25 August at St John's Anglican Church Coffs Harbour from 2-5pm, where you will hear the latest on BCA Field Staff going the distance in rural, remote and regional Australia. With afternoon tea provided you will also get to hear from Rachael Bell, serving in Central Western NSW, and from Bishop Rod Chiswell from Armidale as he shares Four Exhortations for Christian Life and Ministry. Adults \$10, children under 12 free. See Alison for registration details.

Today's Songs of Praise

@8* All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name * We Believe in God the Father * Christ is Made the Sure Foundation * Tell Out My Soul @10* All My Ways are Know to You * As Long as You are Glorified * Yet not I, but through Christ in Me

* Reformation Hymn



NEW LIFE CONFERENCE 2024 in Tamworth 7 September 2024. A number of ladies from our 10am Service will be making the trip. Please speak to Alison if you would like to join them.



8 am Morning Tea Roster: Help is needed for one or two Sundays per roster. Please let Leone know if you are able to assist.



Alan Beattie: TODAY 18 August May God bless you on your special day

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Great Jo

Thank you to all who baked for and helped out at our Toy and Bake Stall yesterday. Again, another successful day

connecting with our community.

ood News

Operation **Christmas Child** Shoeboxes Appeal: Please pick up a box, fill it up

and return to church to reach those young people who would not hear about Jesus otherwise. If you have any queries, please contact Jean Maher.