

COLLECT: O God, the king of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: leave us not desolate, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to where our Saviour Christ has gone before, who lives and reigns with your and the Holy Spirit, one God, for evermore. **Amen.**

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.**



Next Week's Readings:

1 Samuel 26:1-11
Philippians 2:5-11
John 16:5-11

Next Week's Sermon Reading:
Philippians 2:5-11

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES:

"If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord."

Romans 14:8

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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

Friday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)
5.30pm - WiFY - Parish Centre - Years 4-10
6.30pm - Friday Night Fellowship **RECESS**

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.



Conduct Worthy of the Gospel

The apostle Paul has been explaining to his supporters in Philippi his current situation, which may seem on the surface as being a little dire. However, we have seen Paul's thankfulness to God and positive outlook on his situation noting that whatever happens it will be a win-win situation for the gospel and for himself.

However, in verse 27 of this first chapter, we see Paul shift from reassuring the Philippians about his current situation, to encouraging the Philippians to live lives in "... a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ". Of course, Paul has been their example of what this looks like. But as we will see, and as we reach the central theme of this letter, the Lord Jesus stands as the ultimate example and model for the Philippians, for Paul and for us.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Barry Smith, Rex Rainbow, Frances Robinson, Mark Wyborn, Marj Simmons, Pam Clarke, Laurel Vardy, Naomi Pike and her twins, Athol Clarke and Judy Buckley.

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

Andrew and Margie Newman, who have been

serving in **Rukungiri, Uganda**, have been back in Australia the last six months. They have been sharing about their work over the last three years at the Canon Ndimbirwe Bible College, teaching the Bible as they grow in their understanding of the local language and culture. Last week they visited Sawtell Anglican and had a chance to enjoy the coast before they prepare to head back to Uganda in the next few weeks. **Please pray** for Andrew and Margie, as they once again leave Australia and continue the work God has called them to do in Uganda. And **pray for** a godly appointment for the next principal of the Bible College.

Quiz Worx

sharing Jesus with kids everywhere



Quiz Worx have had a wonderful week performing their program to scripture classes in Grafton, Coffs Harbour and on the Northern Beaches. We have the privilege of them joining us for our 10am Service today. They will give a brief presentation of how we can support their work during the service, then they will do a 30 minutes show in the Parish Hall for our Kids while church is on. Anyone is welcome to watch the program, including adults, as long as you are prepared to have fun as you learn about Jesus.

Jesus Club

As you are probably aware we are planning to set up a club for people with an intellectual special needs to get to know Jesus with a program appropriate for their understanding.

Having spent time praying we are now ready to meet and discuss plans to move ahead, in Gods strength of course. **Interested helpers** who see this as their ministry, or who would be interested in finding out what we are about, are invited to an **information session in the chapel on Sunday 28th at 3 pm**. Do come along as you just might have the skillset we need to get going. We need people who are committed and who work well as part of a team, people who can make getting to know King Jesus a fun activity in a lively setting which will hopefully open the spiritual eyes of those who attend, as messages are presented in a manner understandable to them. Those who are keen to work in this ministry will be provided with solid in service training and support. Hope you will be one of us. Pam Stone

'Conduct Worth of the Gospel'

This Week's Readings

1 Samuel 25:32-44 (Pg 294)
Philippians 1:27-2:4 (Pg 1179)
John 14:1-4 (Pg 1081)

This Week's Sermon Reading:

Philippians 1:27-2:4 (Pg 1179)



A **big thank you** to all who baked and assisted at the **TOY & BAKE SALE** yesterday. I continue to be amazed at the way in which our church connects with the community on so many levels. Continue to pray that we might see the fruit of this connection being lives transformed by Jesus.

ROSTERS:

Leone will be preparing for **July to September** in the coming months while with Naomi and the birth of her twins. Please email parish office or text her with your unavailability or if you want to go on the rosters for either service.
(Leone: 0448215905)



BUILDING WORKS:

For those who have not been made aware, in the coming months there will be some repair work done to the brickwork around the stained glass window behind the Communion Table. At the moment we have cordoned off the area behind the Communion Table and ask that people avoid going into that area. The Parish Council is seeking to engage a builder to complete the works in the coming weeks. Until the work is completed Holy Communion will be celebrated in front of the usual Table.

Today's Songs of Praise

- @8* Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty
*From Heaven You Came
*How Deep The Father's Love
*We Have a Gospel to Proclaim
- @10* Only a Holy God
*Speak, Oh Lord
*This Life I Live
*In Christ Alone



Happy Anniversary



**Aaron & Clair
Anderson**
Friday 26 May

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

REGISTRAR RETIREMENT:

We have been advised that the **Diocesan Registrar and General Manager, Chris Nelson**, who has served in the diocese for close to 10 years, will be retiring on 7 July. Chris has been a great help to our parish on many levels. All have been invited to a Farewell Service at St Matthew's South Grafton on Sunday July 9 at 3pm. If you would like to attend this Farewell Service please speak with Simon.



Eleanor Ewart

Friday 26 May

Graeme Finch

Friday 26 May

May God bless you both on your special day