

COLLECT: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and constantly give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down on us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son 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:

Revelation 12:1-13

Revelation 14:1-13

Matthew 9:27-38

Next Sunday's Sermon Text:

Revelation 12-14

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES

"Even lifeless instruments that produce sounds—whether flute or harp—if they don't make a distinction in the notes, how will what is played on the flute or harp be recognised? In fact, if the bugle makes an unclear sound, who will prepare for battle?"

1 Corinthians 14:7-8 (CSB)

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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

Monday:	8.30am - Prayer Gathering 9-11am - Stay and Play (Playgroup) 2.30pm - Fellowship Gathering @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre
Tuesday:	8.30am - Prayer Gathering 10am - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (contact Chris Wilson) 4pm - Choir Rehearsal 6pm - Dinner and Bible Study - Dan and Shonae Rowe's home
Wednesday:	9-10am - Prayer Gathering 2.00pm - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre 2pm - Women's Fellowship Group - fortnightly (Lilian Essex-Clark's home)
Thursday:	8.30am - Prayer Gathering 12.30pm - Gentlemen's Lunch (at CeX) - see David Aber 4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent Woolgoolga
Friday:	8.30am - Prayer Gathering 9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory) 6pm - WiFY - Years 6-12
2nd Sunday:	2pm - Jesus Club TODAY 23 August

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



Sunday 23 August 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.



Chaos – Revelation 8-11

As we enter the middle chapters of the Book of Revelation, we see a sharp increase in the use of vivid and graphic language. At this point, it is wise to remember that we should not get too caught up in the detail, but keep our focus on the bigger picture. After the period of silence in heaven at the opening of the seventh seal (8:1), seven angels with seven trumpets blast a warning from heaven to John, and to those reading this revelation. The language and the repeated use of symbolic numbers should remind us of the seven-day creation account in Genesis 1. However, sadly, nothing now seems good, and creation is being destroyed. This is a rolling back of God's good order. At the centre of this chaos is the angel of the Abyss (9:11) known as the 'Destroyer'. This One torments those who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads (9:4), and the result is death and destruction for one third of mankind. Yet, even with these warnings from heaven, the rest of mankind continue in their destructive ways (9:20-21). The question left hanging for us is: What will it take for humanity to listen to God?

PARISH SERVICES: SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) & Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). **NEXT Combined Service 30 August 2026** Sunday@9 - 9am

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Joey Howard, Kerry and Robert Anderson, Yve Fraser,
James Taylor and Jean Maher.

*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

A couple of weeks again we celebrated Krishelle's 6th birthday, and in a couple of week time we will celebrate Khate's 5th birthday. These are two of our youngest Compassion sponsor children in the Philipppians. Two precious girls growing up in a world of poverty. Compassion seeks to Christian hope and material help to children like Krishelle and Khate, providing healthcare and education programs through local churches in slum areas of the cities. Please pray for these young girls, that our Lord might rescue them from this evil age, that he might provide everything they need, and that they might grow to know the One who came to rescue us from sin.



COMBINED SERVICE:

Our next Combined Parish Service will be on NEXT Sunday 30 August, the 5th Sunday of the month. Only one service will be held at 9am, and we will be focusing on, and praying for, some of our parish outreach ministries.



OPEN DOOR OP SHOP, needs

second-hand (shopping) bags. If you have any spare you can leave them at the back of the church or bring them in to the OP Shop. Thank you



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC)

2026 is underway. Please pray for this year's box distribution that there may be a positive effect on children, families, even villages, so that they may hear the story of God and His Son Jesus. After taking a box, pray about the age and sex of the child for whom you will be packing. Instructions and registration form will be found in the box. Practical extras will also be available for you to include in your box. The final collection day will be September 13, after which boxes will be sent to many countries. When you drop the boxes off, please place your name and contact number on the form provided. For queries, please contact the co-ordinator, Jean Maher.



"Chaos"

Today's Readings:

Revelation 8:1-6 (pg 1242)

Revelation 10:1-11 (pg 1243-4)

Mark 13:1-8 (pg 1017-8)

Today's Sermon Text:

Revelation 8-11 (pg 1242-4)

Parish Offertory Budget Update

\$\$\$		Actual	Budget	Shortfall
	July	\$10,965	\$11,250	\$-285
	YTD	\$57,540	\$78,750	\$-21,210



NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY (NCLS):

Coinciding with the National Census, NBA will be completing the NCLS in church on Sunday 20 September. We will each be given an opportunity to confidentially answer questions about our faith, our spiritual growth, and about our church community, and its activities. There will be the option of paper or digital questionnaire forms. More details to come.



HELP NEEDED:

If anyone with audio and video editing skills is willing to help out for 1 hour per week to assist with our NBA Online ministry, please speak with Simon or Daniel.



Our Songs of Praise

@8*O, For a Thousand
Tongues

*O, Worship the Lord

*Our Eyes Have seen the Glory

*O, Worship the King

@10* Ancient of Days

*Cornerstone

*It is Well with My Soul

*Grace Awaiting Me

The **New Life Women's Conference** will be held at Carinya School in Tamworth on **12 September**. More information on the back wall.

LAMENTATIONS GREAT IS HIS FAITHFULNESS



12 SEPTEMBER 2026

new life Visit newlifeconference.org.au for more information & to register

Happy Birthday



Daniel Grono

Wed 26 August

Joan Cowling

Thurs 27 August

Barbara Beattie

Fri 28 August

*May God bless you all on
your special day.*