

COLLECT: Merciful God, it is by your gift alone that your faithful people offer you true and acceptable service; grant that we may so faithfully serve you in this life that we fail not finally to obtain your heavenly promises; through the merits of 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 Bible Readings:

Psalm 34:8-22
1 Peter 3:8-22
Matthew 16:21-28

Next Sunday's Sermon Title:

1 Peter 3:8-22

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES

"But now I am writing you not to associate with anyone who claims to be a believer who is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or verbally abusive, a drunkard or a swindler. Do not even eat with such a person."

1 Corinthians 5:12 (HCSB)

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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—see Simon Reeve
7.30-8.30pm - Men's Bible Study - see Simon Reeve

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

Friday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)
5.30pm - WiFY - Years 4-12

2nd Sunday: 2pm - Jesus Club, **TODAY 25 August**

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.*



In the world, not of the world—1 Peter 2:11-3:7

As we come to chapter 2 verse 11 we see a turning point in the Apostle Peter's first letter to the scattered Church. He moves from speaking theologically, about who we are in Christ, to speaking practically, about how we are to live as Christians. So, I guess we come to the part of his letter where 'the rubber hits the road', so to speak. I find it interesting that when it comes to theological aspects of the faith we can think and talk about all types of interesting ideas. But when it comes to the living the way the Bible instructs us to live, we come up with all types of reasons not to obey what is clearly written in scripture. This is an indicator of the effect of original sin in our lives. We inherently desire to live separate from God, which is the essence of sin. So, as we read Peter's exhortation, let's seek to put into practice what God has planned for us.

PARISH SERVICES: SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) &
Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). **NEXT Combined Service** 29th Sept Sunday@9 - 9am

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mark Wyborn, Marj Simmons, 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: 2025 SMBC Mission

During **6-13 April 2025**, just before Easter, we have invited 10-15 Bible College students to participate in a

Week of Mission in our Parish. For the students, the goal is to get a taste of Anglican ministry in regional Australia. But for us, there is an opportunity to harness the enthusiasm and gifting of a new generation of church leaders for that Mission week. So, how can we harness that enthusiasm? Well, we are in the process of planning out the Mission week, including a Men's and Women's event, and special service on Sunday. Please pray about your input and involvement in the 2025 Mission week, and think about whether you might be able to help the students enjoy their time at NBA. Set aside the date, and pray that God might grow us through this opportunity.



CMS SUMMER SCHOOL:

CMS Summer School at North Tamborine for 2025 will be on from 3rd to 8th January next year. It would be wonderful to have a good number from NBA attend this fantastic conference. The guest speaker at the conference will be William Taylor from St Helen's Bishopsgate, London, and will be well worth hearing. Plus there will be a number of CMS Missionaries speaking about their international ministries. Please save the date. Registrations will open in September, and speak to Simon or Leone for more information.



WOOPI FRIDAY YOUTH (WiFY):

Our Friday night youth group runs from 5:30-7:30pm every week during school term. Currently we have from 12-20 young people from Years 4-10 at school come along, and there is a mixture of church and non-church kids. Along with games and a meal, the young people are reading through the story of Jesus in John's gospel. We are very grateful the 3 leaders who faithfully run WiFY each week, but please pray that more leaders may join the team as we seek to introduce young people to Jesus and prepare them for eternity.

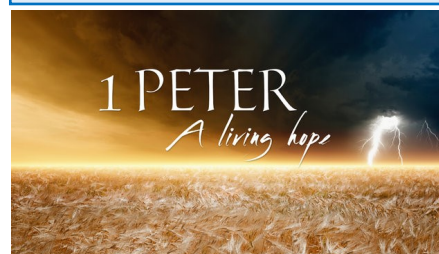
"In the world, not of the world"

Today's Readings:

Isaiah 53:4-12 (pg 736)
1 Peter 2:11-3:7 (pg 1221)
Matthew 16:13-20 (pg 983)

Today's Sermon Reading:

1 Peter 2:11-3:7 (pg 1221)



BCA Connect is on this afternoon 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*** Praise to the Lord the Almighty
* The King of Love My Shepherd Is
* When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
* I Will Sing the Wondrous Story
@10* Behold Our God
* How Deep the Father's Love for Us
* This Life I Live
* Facing a Task Unfinished



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.



Operation Christmas Child Shogboxes 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.



Daniel Grono Mon 26 August

Joan Cowling: Tues 27 August

Barbara Beattie: Wed 28 August

May God bless you all on your special day