

COLLECT: 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.

PRAYER BEFORE READING: Stir up, Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that they may produce abundantly the fruit of good works, and receive your abundant reward; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Next Week's Bible Readings:

2 Samuel 2:1-7
2 Peter 1:12-21
Matthew 17:1-13
Sermon Reading:
2 Peter 1:12-21

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES

Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe."

1 Corinthians 1:20-21 (NIV)

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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
4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent (David & Leone's home)

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

NEXT COMBINED SERVICE IS December 31, 2023 @9am

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.



'Where we come in' – 2 Peter 1:5-11

After hearing from Peter, in the opening verses (vv1-4), that we have "...received a faith as precious as..." his, that God has "...given us everything we need for a godly life...", and that "...he has given us his very great and precious promises,..." , we may be tempted to think that we can just sit back and enjoy the Christian life. However, the next section (vv5-11) calls us to "...make every effort..." and to "...keep you(rself) from being ineffective and unproductive...". As much as we have received God's generous gift to us in Christ, there is much work for us to do upon receiving this blessing. So let us take heed of Peter's prompting to respond rightly to God's gift of grace given to us, lest we stumble and fall.

PARISH SERVICES: SUNDAY@8—8AM (Holy Communion) & Sunday@10—10AM (Family Service). Combined Service every 5th Sunday@9—9AM.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ted Vardy, Mark Wyborn, Marj Simmons, Jeff Maher, Ian Fraser, Stephen Powell, David Wheeler, Norm Glyde and Cora Geer.

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.

**HOPE
is born**

CHRISTMAS EVE – Dec. 24
8am – Holy Communion
10am – Family Service
6pm – Kids' Christmas

CHRISTMAS DAY – Dec. 25
8am – Holy Communion

**NORTHERN BEACHES
ANGLICANS CHRISTMAS**

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CMS SUMMER SCHOOL: Registration is now open for CMS Summer School at Mount Tambourine 5-10 Jan 2024. Guest speakers will be Dr Andrew Shead, taking us through the book of Lamentations, and Archbishop James Wong, the bishop of the Seychelles, and primate of the province of the Indian Ocean. Speak with Simon if you would like more information, or register online at <https://www.cms.org.au/qnsw/summerschool2024/>.

GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP: CMS

Although it is right to pray for the dozens of CMS Missionaries serving in difficult places around the world, our own link missionary is situated relatively close to the current unrest in the Middle-East. Her latest prayer letter not only gives us food for thought on the current crisis in Gaza, but also offers us food for prayer as we pray about this current conflict. She writes, "What is the right response to this conflict? To be honest, I don't know. A simplistic answer is always easy to give but it does not suffice. Of course we want peace in the Middle East, but we want more than just peace. We are praying for justice too." Please pray for our link missionary as she comes into contact with those displaced and affected by war, and please pray that the Prince of Peace, our Lord Jesus, may be made known to those suffering.

"Where we come in"

This Week's Readings
2 Samuel 1:17-27 (pg 300)
2 Peter 1:5-11 (pg 1225)
John 6:25-40 (pg 1069)

This Week's Sermon Reading:
2 Peter 1:5-11

WELCOME:

This morning we warmly welcome to our 10am Service the family and friends of little baby **Bonnie Anderson** who is being baptised today. This is a very special day in the life of the Anderson family and the church family as a whole. Please stay around after our service and enjoy some morning tea in the breeze way.

The last meeting for this year for **Chat and Chill** will be on **Tuesday 5 December** from **10:30am-12md**. Please note that we will be meeting at **222 Heritage Drive, Moonee Beach**. Please contact Pam Stone if you need a lift to be organised.

Happy Birthday

Pam Clarke
TODAY 26 Nov
Kerrie Burke
Mon 27 Nov
Trish Heckenberg
Tue 28 Nov

May God bless you all on your special day

Today's Songs of Praise

@8* I Will Enter His Gates
* Fill Thou My Life
* The Kingdom of God
* Give me Oil in my Lamp

@10* Hallelujah to the King of Kings
* How deep the Father's love
* The Servant King
* Live for the Kingdom

REMINDER:
MEN'S BREAKFAST is on **NEXT Saturday 2nd December** at **8.00 am** in the **Parish Centre**. Gold coin donation.

ALL MEN WELCOME

Come along for a **great, quality cooked breakfast, good conversations, fellowship** and **discussion** shaped to **grow our faith**.

Happy Anniversary

Pam & Athol Clarke
Tue 28 November

Josh & Julianne Oxley
Sat 2 December

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