COLLECT: Almighty God, you alone can order the unruly passions of sinful men: grant to your people that they may love what you command and desire what you promise, that so, among the many and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through 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:

2 Samuel 5:17-24 Psalm 69:1-12 John 2:12-25

Next Sunday's Sermon Reading:

John 2:1-11—The Temple

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES

"For no one can lay any other foundation than what has been laid down. That foundation is Jesus Christ"

1 Corinthians 3:11 (HCSB)

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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

Monday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

9-11am - Stay and Play (Playgroup) IN RECESS

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 IN RECESS

Thursday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

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

Friday: 8.30am - Prayer Gathering

9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory) IN RECESS

5.30pm - WiFY - Years 4-10 IN RECESS

2nd Sunday: 2pm - Jesus Club 5th May

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.



'The Wedding'

Everyone loves a wedding. And everyone loves a wedding gift. And as we enter John's second chapter we find a wonderful gift given at the wedding in Cana. But Jesus' gift is not only for the groom and his bride. His gift extends to their family, their guests, the disciples, and, as John records it, the gift extends on to us. In verse 11 John describes the events at that wedding as "...the first of (Jesus') miraculous signs,..." John structures his biography of Jesus on these 'miraculous signs', culminating in the resurrection of Lazarus (John 11:38-45). These seven signs both encourage people to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God (John 20:31), but they also lead people to plot his demise. The challenge for us as we read the eyewitness accounts of these miraculous signs is clear. Will we be moved to follow Jesus? Or will we turn away from trusting in him? In the end, we are asked, will you accept this wedding gift?

PARISH SERVICES: SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) &

Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). **NEXT Combined Service** 29th Sept. Sunday@9 - 9am



PLEASE PRAY FOR.

Pat Smith, Mark Wyborn, Marj Simmons, Ian Fraser, Ivan Heckenberg, John Moon, John Rooth and Shirley and Bill Livock.

Please pray for the friends and family of Frances Robinson as they mourn her death.

Please pray for Margie Hawtin and her family as they mourn the death of her sister Jeannie.

Please pray for the friends and family of Jeannie Reason as they grieve her death last Monday.

Please pray for Ian Thorncroft and his family as they mourn the death of his mother Enid. 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

The latest prayer letter from our link BCA Field Staff in Coober Pedy, Dave and Margie Wood, is very encouraging to read. There is a copy

on the BCA notice board toward the back of the church. Dave and Margie are settling in well and have had a few 'God-incidental' moments of meeting the right people at the right time. Please pray for Dave and Margie as they continue to settle into a good routine of ministry, and for their preaching series in Luke's gospel.



We are excited to host Colin Buchanan's 10, 9, 8...God is Great Nation Tour, performing in Woolgoolga at NBA on Sat 8th June at 4pm. Share this news with your friends so they can purchase tickets online: www.trybooking.com/ events/landing/121231

We will be needing a number of volunteer helpers, so speak to Simon and Alison if you are available.

STAY & PLAY: Stay & Play, our Monday play group, is restarting next Monday 6th May, 9-11am in the play area on the northern side of the church. Our play group is for 0-5 vear-olds, and their parent/carers, to meet together, socialise, and support each other through these early years of parenting.

Please contact Alison for further information on 0450-255-050

Happy Anniversary



Mark & Karen Wuborn Friday 3 May

Barry & Trisha Smith Friday 3 May

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

"The Wedding-John: Introducing God!"

This Weeks Readings:

2 Samuel 5:1-16 (pg 304) John 20:26-31 (pg 1088) John 2:1-11 (pg 1063)

This Sunday's Sermon Reading:

John 2:1-11—The Wedding (pg 1063)

Today's Songs of Praise

@8* All Creatures of our God and King

- * Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee
- * Through All the Changing Scenes of Life
- * When We Walk With the Lord @10* As Long As You Are Glorified
 - Before the Throne of God Above
 - Raised With Christ
 - Live For The Kingdom



Funeral: The funeral for the late Frances Robinson, former 10am Service member, has been postponed and is now to be held at 10:30am on Friday 3rd May at Northern Beaches Anglicans.

GAFCON AUSTRALASIA CONFERENCE

From July 1-4 inclusive, the Global Anglican Fellowship (GAFCON) Australia will be hosting an intergenerational conference in Brisbane. The details can be found by googling Conference-GAFCON Australia and clicking on the icon, OR speak to Leone in the Parish Office.



WiFY (Woopi Friday

Youth): Our Friday night youth group will have an extra week of holidays restarting Friday 10th May in the Parish Centre for games, dinner and a Bible Talk.

WiFY is for youth in Years 4-10.

Please speak with Emily for further information.



Annual Leave: Simon, Alison and family will be on holiday from Monday 22 April—Monday 6 May inclusive and Simon on Conference leave 6 & 7 May. Please direct all pastoral enquiries through the Office phone on 6654 1370.



The PARISH DIRECTORY will be printed in the next couple of weeks. If you are already listed in the Directory and your details need updating please ring or email the Office with the changes. New parishioners will be personally contacted about the Parish Directory.

HANGER UPDATE: Please pray for Rev. David Hanger over the next 3 weeks as he heads to Dorrigo 3 days a week as a locum to cover the Rector who is on Long Service Leave. Leone will still be available in the office through the week.



Happy Birthday

Joan Neuwirth Thurs 2 May

May God bless you on your special day.