

**COLLECT:** Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of your Name. Increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and so by your mercy keep us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER BEFORE READING:** Our Father, we love to hear you speak to us, and so we are eager to hear your Word. Please help us by your Spirit to listen to you as your Word is now read, and soften our hearts so that we might know you better, and love you more. Amen.

**Next Week's Bible Readings:**

Isaiah 33:2-6

Isaiah 35:1-10

Mark 4:10-20

**Next Sunday's Sermon Text:**

Isaiah 33:2-35:10

**FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES**

*"Now concerning spiritual gifts: brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be unaware. Therefore I want you to know that no one speaking by the Spirit of God says, 'Jesus is cursed,' and no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit."*

**1 Corinthians 12:1, 3 (CSB)**

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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  
10am - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (contact Chris Wilson)  
4pm - Choir Rehearsal
- Wednesday:** 9-10am - Prayer Gathering  
1.30pm - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre  
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  
12.30pm—Gentlemen's Lunch (at the Hub) - see David Aber  
4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent Woolgoolga **IN RECESS**
- Friday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering  
9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)  
5.30pm - WiFY - Years 5-12
- 2nd Sunday:** 2pm - Jesus Club, **NEXT 10 August**

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



**3 August 2025 AD**

We warmly welcome you to Northern Beaches Anglicans.

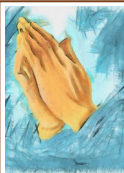
*If you are new, visiting, or one of our regulars,  
we are glad you have joined us today.*



**Isaiah 28-33:1 – Woe or Wisdom?**

We are now deep into the prophetic, and poetic, message of Isaiah. But we must not forget the world into which he is speaking. Israel, the northern kingdom (sometimes called Ephraim), has already been taken by Assyria into exile (in 722bc) because of failed leadership and unfaithfulness to God. King Ahaz (the former king of Judah, the southern kingdom) had sought to make an alliance with Assyria. But since his death, his son King Hezekiah, is being counselled by Judah's leadership to make an alliance with Egypt to hold off Assyria. And so the message from Isaiah to the people of Judah, although very poetic, is a stark warning. Woe to those drunk with power who ignore God's word (28:1,14). Woe to those who ignore the lessons of the past (28:21). Woe to those who seek alliances with other nations (30:1-2, 31:1). It's wise to trust God, and to trust God alone.

**PARISH SERVICES:** SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) &  
Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). **NEXT Combined Service 31 August Sunday@9 - 9am**



### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Annie Finch, Jillian Flynn, Darren Gray and Joan Neuwirth.

*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: ANGLICAN AID

The Archbishop of Sydney's Anglican Aid provides financial and prayer support for hundreds of projects around the world. In Syria, Damascus Church Aid led by Pastor Samir Yacco, is a ministry to love and care for some of the millions of displaced people through the recent troubles in Syria. Anglican Aid supports this ministry by providing emergency food, clothing and assistance to hundreds of families left in Damascus. In many ways it is hard to know how to care for people during a crisis, as Pastor Yacco explains, "We had no experience in managing a crisis but the Lord helped us. The Lord is seeing us through." Please pray for small ministries like this one, and that through international turmoil, the Gospel of Jesus will shine through bringing eternal hope to many.

## DISCOVER WHAT GOD IS DOING IN THE BUSH

**bcA CONNECT**

23-24 AUGUST 2025

REGISTER NOW



### BCA CONNECT:

BCA Connect – Sunday  
24 August, 2pm, St John's  
Anglican Church  
Coffs Harbour. Guest  
Field Staff – David and  
Joanne Piper from  
Emerald/Blackwater,  
plus Regional  
Officer – Mike Uptin.  
Register via  
[bushchurchaid.com.au](http://bushchurchaid.com.au)  
under news & events.

### PARISH COUNCIL

Meets **Tuesday,**  
**12th August**, in the  
Parish Centre beginning at  
6.30pm. Please pray for this  
important meeting.



**Chat and Chill:** will be  
**meeting in the Chapel**  
**THIS Tuesday 5 August**  
from **10:30am -12md.**



### **"Woe or Wisdom?"**

#### **Today's Readings:**

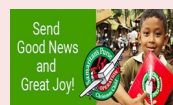
Isaiah 31:1-9 (pg 710)

Isaiah 32:1-8 (pg 710)

Mark 4:1-9 (pg 1004)

#### **Today's Sermon Text:**

Isaiah 28-33:1 (pg 710)



### **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Appeal:**

The Samaritans Purse boxes will be available to pack for Operation Christmas Child, 2025. Next Sunday an information sheet will be in the box and there will be donations available to choose for your box. Please pray for this Ministry of God's love to learn about His Son Jesus through the tangible gifts given in the box. The boxes will be collected in early October to be sent off to many countries. For queries, please contact the coordinator, Jean Maher.



**Judy & Don Howard**  
**Tuesday 5 August**

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



### **Our Songs of Praise**

**@8** \*God is Working His Purpose  
Out

\*For I'm Building a People of  
Power

\*Facing a Task Unfinished

\*God is Our Strength and Refuge

**@10** \*How Deep the Father's Love

\*Consider Christ

\*Amazing Grace

\*This Life I Lead

### NEW LIFE CONFERENCE:



North-West Christian  
Women's Conference  
Saturday 13th September  
2025, Calrossy Anglican  
School, Tamworth. Guest  
speaker Lesley Ramsay, on:  
God's Redemption Project.

Early bird tickets now available.

**Visit: [newlifeconference.org.au](http://newlifeconference.org.au)**

See Alison for more details.



### **WOMEN'S SOUP LUNCH:**

**Saturday 30th August** in the  
Parish Hall.

Think about a friend you  
could invite.

More information to come.



**Happy Birthday**

**Krishelle (5)**  
Mon 4 August

**Laurel Vardy**  
Fri 8 August

*May God bless you both on your special day*