

COLLECT: God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of your Church: and grant that, what we ask in faith we may surely obtain; 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:

Exodus 16:1-8
1 John 5:6-13
John 6:22-40

Next Sunday's Sermon Text:

John 6:22-40

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES

"And there is one Lord. Jesus Christ. All things are through Him, and we exist through Him. However, not everyone has this knowledge. In fact, some have been so used to idolatry up until now that when they eat food offered to an idol, their conscience, being weak, is defiled."

1 Corinthians 8:6b-7 (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, Sunday **TODAY 3 November**

DAYS OFF Simon—Thursday Pam—Friday



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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.*



Bread and Water – John 6:1-21

As we reach chapter six of John's account of Jesus' life we see that the crowds are now following Jesus because of the miraculous signs he was performing, and because of the unique teaching he was giving. Verses 1-21 of chapter six give us the fourth and fifth sign in John's gospel pointing to why Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God (20:31). But these two signs also give us an insight into Jesus' power, and his heart. As we read through the extraordinary account of Jesus feeding the 5000 with a small packed lunch, we notice that Jesus was concerned for the welfare of all those who were following him. And as we see Jesus walking on the waters of the Tiberias, we also notice that Jesus was concerned for his disciples buffeted by the churned up seas. In both instances we see Jesus act on his great love for humanity, using his power care for and provide for others.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Belinda Stone, Laurel Vardy, Renée Berrisford, Mark Wyborn,
Marj Simmons and Gwen Wills.

*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: BCA NOMADS

Today, in the BCA prayer notes we pray for the BCA Nomads and their coordinators. The BCA Nomads scheme connects Christians travellers with Field Staff and the churches they serve, so they can take part in ministry on their travels. Nomads support the work of the Gospel and experience what life is like in regional and remote areas. BCA Field Staff and their church communities are very encouraged by the presence of Nomads and their willingness to lend a hand. This morning we have Kevin and Karen Hastie, from Georges Hall, raising money for BCA through the sale of hand made Christmas cards. Please check out their table following the services and say "Hi".



BISHOP'S PASTORAL VISIT:

The Bishop of our Diocese, Murray Harvey, will be having his annual pastoral visit **NEXT Sunday 10th November**. We will be holding a special morning tea in the hall after the 8am service, and then a sausage sizzle lunch at the rectory immediately after the 10am service.

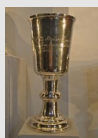
Please come along and meet our Bishop, and pray that our faithfulness to God's Word might be seen in the fruit of our parish life together.



Could those attending the special morning tea for the Bishop's pastoral visit, please assist by bringing a plate of food to support those on Morning Tea.



Rosters for the next 3 months available in the pigeon holes at the back of the church.



COMMUNION AT NBA:

The Parish Council has decided, at the request of the Bishop, to return to offering the Common Cup at our 8am Communion Service, starting **TODAY**.

We have become used to using individual cups since the start of the pandemic in 2020, and we have valued the opportunity to participate in this special meal at a reduced risk of spreading infection.

As we reintroduce the Common Cup you will have the opportunity when you come to the front to choose either to drink from the common cup, or to use an individual cup.

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to speak with Simon.



Alan & Barbara Beattie

Today 3 November

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

"Bread and Water"

Today's Readings:

Exodus 3:1-15 (pg 57)
2 Kings 4:42-44 (pg 366)
John 6:1-21 (pg 1068)

This Sunday's Sermon Text:

John 6:1-21 (pg 1068)



Today's Songs of Praise

- @8** * O God, Our Help in Ages Past
- * Jesus, Take Me As I Am
- * Break Thou the Bread of Life
- * Blessed Assurance
- @10** * Only a Holy God
- * Mighty to Save
- * My Hope is Built
- * For the Cause



CMS SUMMER SCHOOL: at North Tambourine 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 join us. **Registrations now open** online (www.cms.org.au/event/between-two-worlds/), or speak to Leone for more information.



WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS EVENT:

If the women of the parish could please save the date of the afternoon of **Saturday 23 November** for our Women's Christmas Event. Please be praying for an opportunity to invite a friend to join you at this outreach event. More information to come.



Pam is going to **Kairos** on **16 November** and one of the features of Kairos is to provide a constant supply of biscuits to those attending. Like last year, it would be greatly appreciated if you could donate biscuits again. Just a reminder that the biscuits should not contain any fruit. Many thanks.



Chat and Chill will be meeting in the chapel this coming Tuesday 5 November from 10:30am -12md.

PARISH COUNCIL

Meets this **Tuesday, 5 November**, in the Parish Centre beginning at 6.30pm. Please pray for this important meeting.



Zoe Reeve
Fri 8 November

Tricia Smith
Sat 9 November

Noreen Prendergast
Thu 26 September

May God bless you all on your special day



PRAYING FOR HSC STUDENTS:

EXAMS

NSW Higher School Certificate Students will be sitting their final exams **until next Friday 8 November**. Please pray for those students we know who are preparing for these exams. Pray for **Ryan Dean, Emily Bell, Ashley Egan, Makayla Quinn, Ev Pratley and Ella Reeve.**