

**COLLECT:** Almighty Father, you have given your only Son Jesus Christ to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification; grant that we may put away the old leaven of corruption and wickedness, and always serve you in sincerity and truth; through the merits of 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 you 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:**

2 Samuel 3:31-39  
Revelation 5:1-14  
John 1:19-34

**Next Sunday's Sermon Reading:**

John 1:19-34—The Lamb of God

**FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES**

*"So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives (Christian) growth".*

**1 Corinthians 3:7 (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  
7.30-8.30pm - Men's Bible Study
- 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)  
5.30pm - WiFY - Years 4-10 **IN RECESS**
- 2nd Sunday:** 2pm - Jesus Club next 7th April

**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 Beginning'**

Today we begin our new sermon series in the Gospel of John. This is often called the 4th gospel, not just because it comes 4th in the New Testament order of books, but because this biography of Jesus is very different to the other three gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke). For one, it is not chronological. Not all books of the Bible, or even other ancient literary books, were written chronologically. Rather, as we see with John's Gospel, the author wants us to understand something more significant than just the order of events. This 4th gospel takes us through 7 signs and 7 speeches of Jesus that indicate who he is, and why he came. The Apostle John, the disciples whom Jesus loved, brings us these signs and speeches in order that we "...may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing (we) may have life in his name." (John 20:31) So the intent of this book is clear, that we might become Christians, and live forever with Jesus in heaven.

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

***PLEASE PRAY FOR:***

Dennis Wylie, Pat Smith, Mark Wyborn, Marj Simmons, Ian Fraser, Ivan Heckenberg, Jeanie Reason and John Moon.

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: Lost Children of Jonglei**

Many would remember the visit of Aduk Dau – founder of Lost Children of Jonglei Scholarship – back in September 2019. Her harrowing experience of being forced to leave Sudan, and live as a refugee in Kenya without connection with her husband and some of her young children. The way in which God brought them back together was truly miraculous. As we continue to support the care of Sudanese refugees in Kenya we have been asked to pray for Achol who has recently suffered another bereavement of her nearest relative. Please pray for “... Achol’s physical and mental health, and for her to turn to her heavenly Father in these most difficult of circumstances.” Aduk continues to reach out to Achol in this very difficult time.



**ANZAC DAY SERVICE:** NBA will again be involved in the upcoming ANZAC Day services in the local community. David will be assisting in the main ANZAC Day Service on the 25th April at the RSL Club. Simon and Pam will be assisting at a pre-ANZAC Day Service at the Woolgoolga Retirement Village on Saturday 20th April, hosting the NSW Governor, Margaret Beazley. Please continue to pray for our Christian witness as we serve our community at these events.

**ROSTERS are now available in the pigeon holes at the back of the Church.**

**SCHOOL KIDS K-6**

**Holiday Kids' Club**

**17th – 19th April 2024**  
9:30AM – 12:30PM

**NORTHERN BEACHES ANGLICANS**  
19 SCARBOROUGH ST.  
WOOLGOOLGA  
0450 255 055

**KIDSCLUB@NORTHERNBEACHESANGLICANS.ORG.AU**

MUSIC GAMES CRAFT LEARNING ABOUT GOD!

It would be great if you could be thinking and praying about children you may be able to invite, and whether you may be able to help with leading or supporting this ministry. **Please speak to Simon, Alison or Emily.**

**"The Beginning-John: Introducing God!"**

**This Weeks Readings:**

2 Samuel 3:22-30 (pg 303)  
Colossians 1:15-20 (pg 1182)  
John 1:1-18 (pg 1062)

**This Sunday's Sermon Reading:**

John 1:1-18 (pg 1062)

*Today's Songs of Praise*

- @8\* O Come All Ye Faithful
- \* Jesus, Name Above All Names
- \* The Light Of Christ
- \* Lord the Light of your Love is Shining
- @10\* Hallelujah to the King of Kings
- \* Come Thou Fount
- \* The Servant King
- \* See Him Coming



**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:**

Next Tuesday 9 April, the Parish Council will be meeting at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. If there are any issues that you would like to see raised at our Parish Council meetings, you are welcome to speak to any of our Wardens, Parish Councillors or Ministry Staff. If you are not sure who is on the Parish Council there is a poster on the back noticeboard to assist you.

**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.



**SMBC MISSION 2025:**

We have recently been contacted by Sydney Missionary and Bible College to host a college mission week for 2025. We had enquired in previous years but unfortunately it did not come together. However, this time it seems that we are firmly on the list for next year. Please pray that we might plan early and be prepared for this outreach into our local community. The mission week will be from 6th - 13th April, 2025.



**PARISH DIRECTORY:**

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.**



**David Hanger: TODAY 7 April**  
**Simon Reeve: Tues 9 April**  
**Lynette Mikulski: Tues 9 April**

*May God bless you all on your special day.*