



Dubbo Anglican Church

To know Jesus and to make Him known!

Parish Bulletin 5 May 2024

Welcome!

"Welcome to church, as we gather together in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! We worship on the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri people and we honour and, pay our respects to Elders past and present. We pray that you may know the presence of Gods Spirit as we gather together in Jesus name. And may you be encouraged by our time together today, strengthened in your faith and equipped to share God's love with those around us: making Jesus known to this city and the world."

From the Rector:

In a world which seems increasingly distant from being at peace, the message in this weekend's passage that *Christ is our peace* is so important! Through the Lord Jesus, God brings us into peaceful relationship with Him, and enables us to be at peace with one another: united in Christ as His people, and growing in Christ together with God working in us by His Spirit (Ephesians 2:11-22)

Last week's annual parish meeting was such an encouragement! Thanks to those who took part, and I look forward to confirming all our new office-holders in the coming weeks, and then serving alongside our churchwardens, parish councillors, and others to continue ministry here under God: *knowing Jesus and making Him known* together for His honour and glory.

A reminder that one of the ways you can connect with me is via the QR code on the back page. I'm enjoying getting to know people better, and assure you of my desire to continue meeting with you and growing together in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

In Christ,
Pastor Andrew

Prayers and Readings for 5 May 2024 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sentence:

And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.
(Ephesians 2:22)

Prayer of the Day:

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant that we may walk in his way,
rejoice in his truth, and share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 10.44-48

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. ⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. ⁴⁶ For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷ 'Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptised with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.' ⁴⁸ So he ordered that they be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

- ¹ O sing to the Lord a new song:
for he has done marvellous things;
- ² His right hand and his holy arm:
they have got him the victory.
- ³ The Lord has made known his salvation:
**he has revealed his just deliverance
in the sight of the nations.**
- ⁴ He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness
towards the house of Israel:
**and all the ends of the earth
have seen the salvation of our God.**
- ⁵ Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth:
break into singing and make melody.
- ⁶ Make melody to the Lord upon the harp:
upon the harp and with the sounds of praise.
- ⁷ With trumpets and with horns:
cry out in triumph before the Lord, the king.
- ⁸ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it:
the good earth and those who live upon it.
- ⁹ Let the rivers clap their hands:
and let the mountains ring out together before the Lord;

¹⁰ For he comes to judge the earth:
**he shall judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity.**

Second Reading

Ephesians 2.11-22

¹¹ Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (which is done in the body by human hands)— ¹² remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵ by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷ He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. ¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

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Gospel Reading – John 15.9-17

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 15, beginning at verse 9
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

⁹ ‘As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷ This is my command: love each other.

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



Sermon Notes:

The Church is...at peace (Ephesians 2:11-22)

1. Once Separate (vv.11-12)

2. Now Together in Christ (vv.13-18)

3. God's household (vv.19-22)

Isaiah 28:16



Abundant Living.

You are invited to a Cursillo weekend!

Come to be nourished and equipped to live in the fullness of Christ by being part of this special weekend.

Theme: **Abundant Life**

John 10:10(b).....*I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.*

Leaders: Sylvia and Lew Hitchick

Dates: Friday evening to Sunday afternoon 12-14th July 2024.

Venue: Wellington Anglican Church, NSW with Motel Accommodation for two nights.

Application forms available from parish or text/phone Lew Hitchick: 0427 373 446.

A life-changing weekend for both Men and Women: Singles and Couples welcome, limited numbers can be accommodated. Please complete Application Form and book in ASAP.



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Hi ladies.

We have now sold 17 copies of the latest edition of the JBU magazine.

If you missed getting your \$5 copy it isn't too late!

Please send a message to 0407 988 747 to arrange.

**Ladies, details about the Coffee & Dessert Night coming to your phone as a text message soon .

Looking forward to a wonderful evening sharing the God Gems with you all soon, Erika

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR THANKS, PRAISE & PRAYERS TODAY & THIS WEEK

1 Thessalonians 5:17, "Pray without ceasing!"

Our Diocese and Parishes and people ...Praise/thank/pray...

- **All Clergy, LLM's & ALL Parishes esp. those without ordained clergy – Warren with Rev. John & Dee Gaff & Lynas Foley, visiting, LLM Shirley Todhunter & all Parishioners;** for Holy Spirit to convict a pastor to come to Warren Parish *Psalm 36:6, "Your faithfulness (to us) reaches beyond the clouds."*

Our Parish & Community...praise/thank/pray...

- **Our Parish** – praise/thank for our freedom to worship/glorify/pray to/witness for God our Saviour where we are; may we live each day to the full proclaiming Jesus in all we do/say *Ephesians 6:18, "Pray in the Spirit at all times & on every occasion. Stay alert & be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere."*
- **Assistant Minister for our Parish** – continue to praise/thank for the person God has for this position & for this person to respond to Holy Spirit's prompting.
- **DNA** – praise/thank for the amazing "God" times enjoyed by youth & adults alike; thank/pray for those who gave their lives to Jesus at Soul Survivor; pray they & all will keep Jesus to the fore in their hearts & minds & daily know the cleansing & empowering fire of Holy Spirit in them!
- **Sunday School** – praise/thank for the dedication & commitment_of leaders & helpers; for the children & families; for all to remain faithful & eager to grow in Jesus; for Holy Spirit's covering & guiding/directing
- **Parish Council** – praise/thank for those who've committed to serving in this leadership role; to daily know Holy Spirit's leadership; for the Rector as he chooses the 2 additional P C members & or them

Further Afield/Praise/thank/praise...

- **Persecuted Church – Mexico** – praise/thank/pray for Christians who are persecuted (eg. Loss of job, land, housing, family & imprisonment of Christian leaders) mainly from neighbours, family & local govt.
- **Anglican Ministry Democratic Republic of Congo** – praise/thank/pray for the Christians there, many of whom still suffer unthinkable persecution; praise/thank/pray for a church planted in Mambasa, an area not given a lot of attention previously, which now boasts two priests; a mission team is exploring more centres to be reached; praise/thank/pray for this advancement of God's Kingdom there; pray for God's provision of resources to sustain this mission field.
- **Lamentations 3:23, "Great is His faithfulness; His mercies begin afresh each morning."**

Annual Parish Meeting:

Praise God for an encouraging annual parish meeting last Sunday. Minutes from the meeting to be made available in the near future, along with details of newly appointed office-holders.

The first meeting of the new Parish Council will be Tuesday 21st May from 6pm.

Echoes of Hope: Palestine/Israel conflict information evening (live-stream)

Wednesday 8th May, 6:30pm.

Featuring Rev. Dr. Yohanna Katanacho, a Palestinian Israeli Christian living and working in Israel as a Bible Scholar, author and academic lecturer.

For more information, and to register, visit:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1185905?>

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers,

*Brian Lovemore
Jessica Slavin
Bill Fisher
Judy Emmett
Colin Fitzell
Sarah Dunn
Jo Fraser
Jan Gorrell
Philippa Adams
Beverley Brown
John Day*

*Brian Semmler
Leane Flynn
Lara McKenzie- Potter
Leigh Pearse
Janey Brown
John Lloyd
Anne Neville
Diane McCullough
Bev Birch
Philip Munge
Jenny Macqueen*

*Steve Honey
Shirley White
Amanda Gorton
Baby Lucas Hart
Lorraine Beattie
Philip Payne
Leah McDonald
Toni Ross- Symthe
Kath Starr
John Emmett
Clancy Lloyd*

Pray for those mourning the loss of loved ones : including Jane Johnston, Baby Ella Thorne, Jenny Bruce.

Those Remembering the Anniversaries: Lionel Sharpe.

The church I'd like to join...

**Saturday 18 May 2024
9.30am to 3.00pm**

EARLY BIRD HAS CLOSED

Register at:
bathurstanglican.org.au/events/



Prays

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Macquarie Anglican Grammar School, Dubbo

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 5 May

8am Traditional Holy Communion
10am Family Service

Monday 6 May

Psalm 18.1-31, Numbers 20.1-21, 1 Corinthians 10.1-11

Tuesday 7 May

Psalms 19, Numbers 20.22-21.9, 1 Corinthians 10.12-22

9am Morning Prayer – Zoom

Wednesday 8 May

Psalm 20, 21.1-7, Numbers 21.10-35, John 1.1-15

9am Morning Prayer – Zoom
7pm Bible Study at 13 Lovett
Avenue

Thursday 9 May

Psalm 97, Daniel 9-14, Revelation 5.1-10

7am Mens Bible Study in Parish Office
9am Morning Prayer– Zoom

Friday 10 May

Psalm 25, Numbers 22.1-20, 1 Corinthians 10.23-11.1

10am Holy Communion
1pm Parish prayer meeting (parish library)

Saturday 11 May

6pm Vigil Holy Communion

Sunday 12 May – Mothers Day

8am Traditional Holy Communion
10am Family Service

PARISH CONTACTS

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