

Anglican Parish of Parkes

St George's
PARKES

St Stephen's
PEAK HILL

St Stephen's
BINDOGUNDRA

Holy Trinity
REEDY CREEK

Sunday, 22 July, 2018
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Our **Vision** is to be a growing faith community of lives transformed by Christ.

Our **Mission**: We are followers of Christ, who, with God's help, are encouraging Spirit-filled people to share and teach God's word.

July Birthdays

Elizabeth Wythes (2nd), Lynne Cabban (8th),
Lorna Dunford (9th), Allan Osborne (11th),
Cameron Pfaff (13th), Joseph Tanswell (15th),
Peter Woodlands (19th), Cliff Cowell (23rd),
Alexander Pfaff (23rd), Paige Duncan (23rd),
Rob Irving (30th), Carole Corbett (30th),
Roger Gregson (30th)

Upcoming events:

Fish 'n' Chip Sunday

29th July 2018

after the 9:30 service

An order form is available at the front of the Church.

Please pay in advance to Jodie in the Office.



2018 Diocesan Camp

The great commission is a verb

7:30pm Friday 17th August to
2pm Sunday 19th August
Ridgecrest

Fliers & rego forms at front of Church

Basecamp Men's Convention

Katoomba

Friday 17th & Saturday 18th August 2018

Cost \$88 per person

Includes transport, accommodation
& meals.

For more details contact Keith Woodlands

Mission Partner

ABM

Anglican Board of Mission - Australia
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News for You

Welcome to St Georges and we give thanks that you could join with us. If you are visiting today, we hope that we met your need and that you felt welcomed by our congregation. If you are looking for a new family to join fill out connect form and tick a box and be assured of a visit by Fr Ron.

This Week:

Monday

23 July Toy Library, 3:30 to 6:30pm
Lower Hall
Upper Room Disciplines
3pm

Tuesday

24 July Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Little Acorns, 10am to 12,
Upper Hall

Wednesday

25 July Holy Communion, 10am

Thursday

26 July Panorama Home Group,
7:30pm
Men's Group, Lower Hall,
7:30pm
Confirmation Class, 7pm,
Upper Hall

Friday

27 July Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Ladies Bible Study at
Gregsons, 10:30am
Connect Kids, 4pm to 6pm
Nexus Youth Group, 7pm to
8:30pm

Next Week:

St Georges, Parkes

Saturday

28 July Holy Communion, 5pm

Sunday

29 July Holy Communion, 7:30am

29 July Holy Communion, 9:30am

St Stephens, Peak Hill

Sunday

29 July Ext Holy Commun, 9:30am

Diocesan Events:

August

17-19 Diocesan Camp, Ridgecrest

Sept

14-16 Diocesan Synod

Parish Events:

July

29 AWA Sunday

29 Fish 'N' Chip Fellowship

Luncheon in Hall, St Georges

Psalms 23

The 23rd Psalm remind me of funerals because it's one of the most common passages used at funerals. Maybe it's the thought our loved ones "walking through the valley of the shadow of death, fearing no evil" that brings comfort. This is comforting, yet my thoughts are it is about life.

Our life is but a journey and at times we must travel through rough places and dark alleys. Sometimes those dark alleys can be so scary we feel as if we're traveling through the very "shadow of death." This is because when we're faced with trials and ordeals we usually feel so apart from God. But the 23rd Psalm is a reminder to us to "fear no evil" because Jesus is always there to give us direction and guidance, no matter how dark it may seem. He is there beside us and "His rod and His staff will comfort us."

Jesus is often referred to as a shepherd and we, as His sheep. He watches over us the same way a shepherd watches over his flock. A shepherd always carries a rod when he's tending sheep to clear away anything in the way that could possibly harm his sheep like wild animals. The staff he carries has a crook on the end of it and is often used to steer wandering sheep back to the flock or rescue a lamb that has fallen in a crevice or gotten itself stuck in some bushes. When we think of Jesus as our shepherd, keeping harm away from us, it's certainly a very comforting thought. We don't even know how many times He may have used His rod to push Satan away from us. And how comforting it is to know His staff is always ready to guide us back to His fold when we have strayed.

Just Food for Thought

Blessings

Father Ron



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Sentence of the day:

As he went ashore, Jesus saw a great crowd; and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

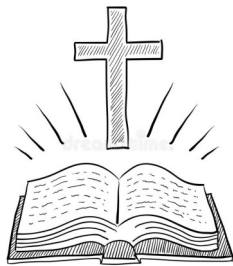
Mark 6.34

Collect of the day:

Eternal God,
author of our life and end of our pilgrimage:
guide us by your word and Spirit amid all perils and temptations,
that we may not wander from your way,
but may run our course in safety
until we come to our eternal rest in you;
through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayers:

- Please pray for our church, the **family of God**.
- Please pray for all those leading, supporting and teaching in our **children's ministries** as they return after the holidays. May they come back spiritually refreshed and eager to continue God's mission in this place.
- There are many of our **church family** who are **sick** including Lyn A, Daniel A, Gail H, Lyn P. May god keep each of them in His Loving Care.
- May God guide and direct our **Bishop Ian** as he does another round of consultations at the end of the month. Please give all the members of churches in our Diocese a clear understanding of our future as Diocese of Bathurst.
- Continue to pray for Robyn Green, missionary teacher in Ethiopia, as she travels the country speaking to her supporters and may all her needs be met.
- Pray for the young people preparing for **confirmation**.



Youth Ministries at St Georges

Little Acorns Is a ministry for mums and young children. Held in the top hall at St Georges 10am till 12 noon each Tuesday of school term.

Connect An afterschool program for children from kindy to year 6, connecting children to the message of Christ. Fridays 4pm – 6pm.

Nexus Is a ministry for youth and young adults! Currently running every second Friday 7 till 8.30pm. A time of fun, learning and sharing a meal together.

Sunday School and Kids Church

Sunday school is every Sunday during the service except every second Sunday of

the month which is Kids Church, followed by morning tea.

Scripture A team of scripture teachers attend our public schools on Tuesdays and Thursdays to provide our children with the opportunity to learn about God, Jesus and the scriptures.

Service Information: Please feel free to contact the Office on 6862 1868 during office hours to book a meeting with the Ministry Team for any of the following: Weddings, Baptisms, Confirmation, Funeral and Memorial Services, Investigating Christianity, Hiring Church Facilities.

Readings This Week

Pentecost 9

Jeremiah 23:1-16 (pg 633)

Psalms 23 (APBA 243)

Ephesians 2:11-22 (pg 950)

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (page 818)

Hymns

7:30am – 624, 38, 64, 705

9:30am - One Way,

Who you say I am,

On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand,

In Christ Alone.

Figures for W/E 8/7/18

Collection \$2069.00

Target. \$2700.00

Shortfall. \$631.00

Parish Directory

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Readings Next Week

Pentecost 10

2 Kings 4:42-44 (pg 293)

Psalms 145:10-18 (APBA 376)

Ephesians 3:14-21 (pg 950)

John 6:1-21 (page 867)