

Anglican Parish of Parkes

St George's
PARKES

St Stephen's
PEAK HILL

St Stephen's
BINDOGUNDRA

Holy Trinity
REEDY CREEK

Sunday, 19 August, 2018

Thirteenth 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.

August Birthdays

Jaliha Jones (5th), Margaret McMillan (6th), Liesel Walters (6th), Geoff Cabban (7th), Shirley Edwards (8th), Laura McIntosh (10th), Tony Vickers (11th), Reuben Bondareff (12th), Jordan Moody (12th), Paul Moody (15th), Jordan Powter (18th), Liam Moody (21st), Emily McIntosh (26th)

Upcoming events:

Soul Café

will be at Parkes Show
Tuesday, 28th August.

If you can help out by providing slice for sale or helping on the day, please speak to Carole Corbett or Barbara Weaver. Proceeds go to Parkes Assoc for Christian Education (PACE)

CWCI Australia

is hosting International Speaker
Bonnie Thomas,
Wednesday 29 August 2018

10am for Morning Tea
Parkes Baptist Church

A creche will be available for young children
Flyer in foyer of Church.

St Stephen's Anglican Church Peak Hill Quilt Show & Workshop

Saturday 8th September 2018

Quilts needed for Church Display
Quilting workshops 9am to 5pm
Morning Tea & Lunch included

Workshop bookings: Kerry Swain 6769 3297
Enquiries: Tanya Stanford 6869 1270 ah or
0424505270

Dry Box Wood For Sale

\$130 for a 7x4 trailer load
Proceeds towards

St George's Spring Market Day
Contact Keith Woodlands 6862 6202

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

20 Aug Toy Library, 3:30 to 6:30pm
Upper Room Disciplines
3pm

Tuesday

21 Aug Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Little Acorns, 10am to 12,
Upper Hall
Ladies Bible Study & Prayer
Group, Lower Hall, 1:30pm

Wednesday

22 Aug Holy Communion, 10am

Thursday

23 Aug Panorama Home Group,
7:30pm
Men's Group, Lower Hall,
7:30pm

Friday

24 Aug Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Ladies Bible Study at
Gregsons, 10:30am
Connect Kids, 4 to 5:30pm
Nexus Youth Group, 7pm

Next Week:

St Georges, Parkes

Saturday

25 Aug Holy Communion, 5pm

Sunday

26 Aug Holy Communion, 9:30am

St Stephens, Peak Hill

Sunday

26 Aug Holy Communion, 6pm

Diocesan Events:

Sept

14-16 Diocesan Synod

Parish Events:

August

26 Songs of Praise, 2pm

Sept

1 Pre Synod Meeting, 6pm,
St John's Anglican Church, Forbes

5 Spring Market Meeting, 7pm

8 Quilt Show & Workshop,
St Stephen's Peak Hill

22 Spring Market Day, St George's

Wisdom

Much of Proverbs points us to the choice we can make between wisdom and folly. Wisdom, personified as a hospitable woman, invites us over to share dinner. She has prepared the banquet and the place to share it. She issues the invitation that includes an exhortation: "It's time for you to grow up, to get over being foolish and begin living the life you should."

Wisdom is woven into the fabric of life. Without it, our world would fall apart and we would know nothing but argument and war. Enter in, and allow yourself to be a strand in the fabric that holds God's creation together, peace, goodness, care of neighbour; Wisdom.

A man's earthly knowledge all alone, that he stores deep down within, without God's guidance is prone to be hindered by all his mortal sin. Man's wisdom friend, on its own, is utter foolishness in God's eyes, for a man needs guidance from God's Throne to truly be found wise.

The foolishness of God is wiser than the earthly wisdom of all men, and through the preaching of the cross men are saved and condemned. God chose the foolish things of this world to bring upon wise men shame, the most foolish choice for all who heard is rejecting The Saviour's Name.

We still have that choice. We can choose the living bread that God sent from heaven. At this present time in our diocese and parish there is going to be a lot of decisions that have to be made. When decisions are being made we need to seek the wisdom of God to lead us just like in Proverbs. As a parish there is a need for good honest prayer so that we can come together and work our way forward. We do have choices but are we seeking God's direction for the right choice? Blessings

Father Ron



Sentence of the day:

Jesus said, 'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them.' *John 6.56*

Collect of the day:

Everliving God,
your Son, Jesus Christ,
gave himself as living bread for the life of the world:
give us such a knowledge of his presence
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
to serve you continually;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Following is a prayer that Bishop Ian has requested that we pray regularly

A Prayer for the future of our Diocese

Prayer: "Let your gentle spirit lead me in the right path." *Psalm 143:10*

Good Shepherd of your people, lead us, we pray, in ways of wonder and delight. Teach us by your Spirit to discern your way, trust your directions and give us courage to humbly walk with you. When the way is tough grant us a fresh vision of Jesus; when we are tempted by ease deepen our love for you. May the Gospel of forgiveness, healing and hope give us purpose for our journey and keep us faithful to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16

Pray for:

- **Our Church Community.** May we live in unity and love to grow in our church here in Parkes as we give thanks in all circumstances for God's Blessings past, present and future.
- **Ron and Crystal** and their family as they mourn the death of Ron's father. Please Lord, be very close to them and comfort them.
- **Rain** - Please send rain to nourish and revitalise the earth.
- **Our farmers** – please keep them strong and healthy, both physically and mentally as they face each day of drought.
- The need for **leaders for Sunday School** and Connect, and for Scripture Teachers and helpers in our schools.
- **Anglicare** – the Georgio's shop and Pantry as well as the clothes sorting and furniture section. Pray that the workshop they are having on Tuesday will encourage all volunteers in their service. May all who serve in these areas show love and care in this of ministry of helping people in need, practically and through listening. Pray that people will cope graciously with the reorganisation and relocations of some of these ministries.
- The developing plans to provide "**Food for Farmers**". May God guide the practicalities of this ministry.
- **Bishop Ian** as he continues to guide the Diocese through difficult times, Bishop in Council and Synod as they consider some very significant changes and proposals concerning our diocese in preparation of the Bishop's retirement early 2020.
- **For Rev Stephen and Sarah Morse**, "missionaries" we are supporting this year as they continue to work to identify and eradicate human slavery and injustice in Australia and overseas.

The Archbishop of Sydney's prayer for rain:

Our heavenly Father, we acknowledge our ingratitude when we have taken your goodness for granted, when the heaven has poured forth rain and the earth has produced its fruit. Yet now we cry to you for help, as the drought in New South Wales deepens. Have mercy on our land; have mercy on the people of the land. May your bountiful hand send forth rain upon our parched earth. Fulfil your promises that while the earth remains, seedtime and harvest shall not cease, so that those in remote and rural areas may find relief from their distress and glorify your name for the provision of their needs. We ask this in the name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Readings This Week

Pentecost 13

Proverbs 9:1-6 (pg 516)

Psalm 34:9-14 (APBA 254)

Ephesians 5:11-21 (pg 951)

John 6:51-58 (page 868)

Hymns

7:30am: 590, 170, 414,

Let us Sing (TIS 52)

9:30am: 116, 1005, 473, 1039

Figures for W/E 12/8/18

Collections \$2,206.00

Target. \$2,700.00

Shortfall. \$494.00

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Readings Next Week

Pentecost 14

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 (pg 187)

Psalm 34:15-22 (APBA 254)

Ephesians 6:10-20 (pg 952)

John 6:56-59 (page 868)