

Anglican Parish of Parkes

St George's
PARKES

St Stephen's
PEAK HILL

St Stephen's
BINDOGUNDRA

Holy Trinity
REEDY CREEK

Sunday, 30 September, 2018
Nineteenth 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.

September Birthdays

Benjamin McIntosh (9th), Betty Thornton (10th), Riley Duncan (10th), Joyce Irving (12th), Austin MacRae, (12th), Kylie McIntosh (17th), Harrison Day (19th), Lorraine Chambers (21st), Don Brownbill (23rd), Thomas Corcoran (26th), Annabelle Nash (28th).

Upcoming events:

Soul Cafe

Saturday, 6th October, 2018



2pm to 5pm

All Welcome!



St George's Hall

Saturday
13th October
7 for 7:30am

MEN'S CAMP - WESTERN PLAINS

Friday, 19th October - 5:30pm to
Saturday, 20th October - 3:30pm
"Vision Ministries - Mamre Farm"

Contact: Bruce Lindbeck 0409 622 514

Mission Partner



Operation Christmas Child

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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

1 Oct Toy Library, 3:30 to 6:30pm
Upper Room Disciplines 3pm

Tuesday

2 Oct Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Little Acorns, 10am to 12,
Upper Hall
Wednesday

3 Oct Holy Communion, 10am

Thursday

4 Oct Panorama Home Group,
7:30pm
Men's Group, Lower Hall,
7:30pm

Friday

5 Oct Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Ladies Bible Study at
Gregsons, 10:30am

Next Week:

St Georges, Parkes

Saturday

6 Oct Holy Communion, 5pm
7 Oct Holy Communion, 7:30am
Holy Communion, 9:30am

St Stephens, Peak Hill

Sunday

7 Oct Ext Holy Communion, 9:30am

St Stephens, Bindogundra

Sunday

7 Oct Holy Communion, 11:30am

Parish Events:

Oct

6 Soul Café, Upper Hall, 2-5pm
13 Men's Breakfast, 7/7:30am
Ultreya, Lower Hall, 2-4pm
Soul Café, Upper Hall, 2-5pm
19/20 Men's Camp, Mamre Farm
20 Doug McFarlane, St John's, Forbes
7pm

James 5

A good friend doesn't let you get away with murder but will speak for you in your defence.

A good friend asks hard questions but stays with you while you struggle with the answer's.

A good friend sees you at your worst but still loves you.

A good friend has had plenty of practice in forgiving you.

A good friend has no illusions about you (knows you're only human) but still has hopes for you.

Everyone needs a good friend, otherwise you'd just go on making the same dreary old mistakes.

God of wisdom, God of justice, God of mercy, be our friend.

In our final lesson James teaches us about the power of prayer. I believe the second part of verse 16 is the point of this final section of teaching in the book of James. **"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective"** James is teaching us the power of prayer in our lives. I believe we often lack in prayer because we do not truly believe that prayer can change anything. We know we ought to pray and we make required prayers during certain circumstances. This being the last lesson from James, I want to ignite our passion for prayer. James is to do this by showing us how powerful prayer can be for your life. Please read this passage and use it to build up your prayer life.

Blessings

Father Ron

Operation Christmas Child

Share the love of Jesus, through the power of a simple gift, with children around the world.

Please collect your shoebox today!
Filled shoeboxes must be returned by the end of October.

Sentence of the day:

Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can it be seasoned? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another. *Mark 9.50*

Collect of the day:

O God,
your Son has taught us that those who give a cup of water in his name will not lose their reward:
open our eyes to see those who are in need,
and teach us to set no store by riches and earthly rewards,
so that, in surrendering ourselves to serve you in your children,
we may labour for the treasure that endures;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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." *Psalms 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.

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.

A reflection on the Numbers reading (Chapter 11, Verses 4-6, 10-16, 24-29)

Communication is the theme we will explore this week. Communication includes speaking, hearing, listening and responding. In today's reading we hear in turn the Israelites complaining and weeping, the Lord being angry, Moses letting God have it, and the Lord listening and responding. The Lord responds by asking Moses to gather 70 people to hear the Lord's address and to then prophesy for the Lord. However, two others who were not among those gathered also heard the Lord as "the spirit rested on them." When those two also started prophesying for the Lord, those who were first chosen were not pleased and said as much. Yet, this time Moses spoke on the Lord's behalf, knowing that the Lord's power is more than we can imagine and control. We cannot control who hears the Lord, nor can we control who speaks on behalf of the Lord. As Moses said, "Would that all the Lord's people were prophets."

Lord, let your spirit rest on us, that we may hear you clearly and speak faithfully on your behalf. 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

Please pray for:

- RAIN.
- our Diocese moving forward with the many changes ahead of us all.
- our church - may God show us His plans for our church family and the buildings.
- our men as they plan for and gather together for the Western Plains Men's Camp.

Readings This Week

Pentecost 19

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10 & 9:20-22 (pg 390)

Psalms 124 (APBA 361)

James 5:12-20 (pg 983)

Mark 9:38-50 (page 821)

Hymns

7:30am: 52, 132, 442, 708

9:30am: Powerpoint

Figures for W/E 23/9/18

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Target. \$2,700.00

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Readings Next Week

Pentecost 20

Job 1:1; 2:1-10 (pg 392)

Psalms 26 (APBA 246)

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 (pg 970)

Mark 10:2-16 (page 822)