

# Anglican Parish of Parkes

St George's  
PARKES

St Stephen's  
PEAK HILL

St Stephen's  
BINDOGUNDRA

Holy Trinity  
REEDY CREEK

Sunday, 21 October, 2018  
Twenty Second 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.

## October Birthdays

Sue McLennan (1st), Gracie-Mae Cummings (1st), Sharon Deen-Moody (2nd), B. J. Unger (6th), Allan Thompson (9th), Marg Klein (10th), Paul Applebee (12th), Dusty Powter (15th), Brian Schmalkuche (16th), Viv Cunningham (26th), Milton Blowes (27th), Mary Cabban (29th), Bruce Lindbeck (30th)

## Upcoming events:



**Little Acorns**  
**-PLAYGROUP-**

Tuesday, 10am-12pm  
at St George's Church Hall  
Contact Church Office on 6862 1868  
FROM LITTLE THINGS, BIG THINGS GROW



**Connect Kids**

Fridays, 4 to 5:30pm, \$2per child



**Nexus**

Friday, 26th October 2018  
7pm to 8:30pm  
Come along and join us for a night of fun & fellowship

## 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

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

### Tuesday

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

### Wednesday

24 Oct Holy Communion, 10am

### Thursday

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

### Friday

26 Oct Morning Prayer, 8:30am  
Ladies Bible Study at  
Gregsons, 10:30am  
Connect Kids, 4pm  
Nexus Youth, 7pm

## Next Week:

### St Georges, Parkes

#### Saturday

27 Oct Holy Communion, 5pm  
28 Oct Holy Communion, 7:30am  
Holy Communion, 9:30am

### St Stephens, Peak Hill

#### Sunday

28 Oct Holy Communion, 6pm

## Parish Events:

### Oct

19/20 Men's Camp, Mamre Farm  
20 Doug McFarlane, St John's,  
Forbes, 7pm  
28 Reformation Sunday, 7pm

### Nov

11 Service of Remembrance, 4pm

## James and John

Like James and John, Christ offers us the opportunity to drink from the same cup as he did. Experience will tell you this offer has more meaning, as it comes with significant challenges. To commit forever with your unique Yes is not easy. Much is asked, including joining on the Cross. This is not a reward but rather sharing Christ inside with others as a humble servant.

But would this really happen?" That is the typical response to sermons that lay out Jesus' vision of the world. It is a vision of inclusion. It is a vision of forgiveness. It is a vision where people put the needs of others first and trust that their needs will be taken care of by others in the same way. It is a vision that, "would never fly in the real world."

Sometimes, I have to be very honest, preaching is not the shaping of minds to be one with the mind of God, rather it is the continual practice of beating your head against the pulpit. People will whole heartedly agree that the vision of the world that Jesus paints with huge, courageous strokes is the world that they want, but they fear stepping into such a kingdom. Though it appears bright and glows with warm, loving colours, at the same time it is a little too bright. It is so bright and warm that it almost appears foreign and different from what we are used to.

There is a lot to fear when you open yourself up to such radical love of the neighbour. It is hard to take even the first step into God's good news. Something to think about.

Blessings

Father Ron

## Operation Christmas Child

Please collect your shoebox today!  
Filled shoeboxes must be returned 28th October.

**Sentence of the day:**

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. *Mark 10.45*

**Collect of the day:**

God of unchangeable power,  
when the heaven and earth were made,  
the morning stars sang together  
and the host of heaven shouted for joy:  
open our eyes to the wonders of creation  
and teach us to use all things for good,  
to the honour of your glorious name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of 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.**

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.*

**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:

- The spread of the Gospel in our Diocese - a living active faith as taught by James
- Ron as he ministers to the people of this parish
- Natalie as she heads up Anglicare, ministers in the Forbes Parish and soon to be returning to assist Ron in Parkes
- The Licenced Lay Ministers - may they be able to build the team and work together for furthering the Gospel and the living faith in the Parkes Parish and in our town.
- Scripture in schools and for our school chaplains
- The farmers - may those in need of assistance be prepared to reach out and ask for help.

**NEWSFLASH NEWSFLASH NEWSFLASH**

The Anglican Diocese of Sydney passed the motion to support the Anglican Diocese of Bathurst with \$250,000 for the next 6 years.

At their recent Synod, the members of the Sydney Diocese passed the motion to financially support our Diocese. We thank God for their generous support and the encouragement it brings as we continue our mission of God in the Central West.

**Readings This Week****Pentecost 22**

Job 38:1-7 (pg 420)

Psalm 104:1-10, 26 (APBA 330)

Hebrews 5:1-10 (pg 973)

Mark 10:35-45 (page 823)

**Hymns**

**7:30am: 327, 162, 263,**

**Brother, Sister Let me Serve You**

**9:30am: 226, 1005, 263, 1122**

**Figures for W/E 14/10/18**

Collection \$2,447.00

Target. \$2,700.00

Shortfall. \$253.00

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**Readings Next Week****Pentecost 23**

Job 42:1-6, 10-17 (pg 424)

Psalm 34:1-8 (APBA 254)

Hebrews 7:21-28 (pg 974)

Mark 10:46-52 (page 823)