

Anglican Parish of Parkes

St George's
PARKES

St Stephen's
PEAK HILL

St Stephen's
BINDOGUNDRA

Holy Trinity
REEDY CREEK

Sunday, 4 November, 2018
Twenty Fourth 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.

November Birthdays

Lyn Bignell (10th), Jay Quince (13th),
Thomas Day (14th), Father Ron (16th),
Finlay Quince (23rd), Kim Paul (27th),
Heather Powter (28th)

Upcoming events:

Service of Remembrance

Sunday, 11th November 2018

at 4pm

St George's, Parkes

Spirituality in the Pub

Monday, 12 November 2018

Commercial Hotel

6:30pm - 7:45pm

Featuring:

Liesel Walters (BaptistCare Chaplain) &
Anne Dennis (NSW Aboriginal Land Council)
Gold Coin donation at door

Connect Kids

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

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

12 Nov Toy Library, 3:30 to 6:30pm
Upper Room Disciplines, 3pm

Tuesday

13 Nov Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Little Acorns, 10am to 12,
Upper Hall

Wednesday

14 Nov Holy Communion, 10am

Thursday

15 Nov Panorama Home Group,
7:30pm
Men's Group, Lower Hall,
7:30pm

Friday

16 Nov Morning Prayer, 8:30am
Ladies Bible Study at
Gregsons, 10:30am
Connect Kids, 4pm

Next Week:

St Georges, Parkes

Saturday

17 Nov Holy Communion, 5pm

Sunday

18 Nov Holy Communion, 7:30am
Holy Communion, 9:30am

St Stephens, Peak Hill

Sunday

18 Nov Ext Holy Communion, 9:30am

Holy Trinity, Reedy Creek

Sunday

18 Nov Holy Communion, 11:30am

Parish Events:

Nov

- 11 Service of Remembrance, 4pm,
St Georges
- 14 AWA Meeting, 2pm
- 15 First Communion Classes, 5:30pm
- 20 Ladies Bible Study & Prayer
Group, Lower Hall, 1:30pm

Mark 12:38-44

Mark's gospel is a series of contrasts – rich and poor, greedy and generous, arrogant and humble and it is not difficult to guess which of them Jesus is praising.

Last week our gospel reading told us what the greatest commands are and this week tells of a total love of giving all.

He praises the heart of the widow who gave all she had in the cause of God. He Criticises the co-existence of long prayers and the greed which took away the property of people like this widow. The godly people of the day were meant to look after the widow and the orphan who had nobody else to fight their cause.

By sharing the Eucharist each week we are involving ourselves in the total loving of Jesus for his Father and for us, especially the poor. This means we rejoice in the message of Jesus, and that he is on the side of the poorest. It is also the challenge for us to share the love of God to the community in which we live, for those who are near and for those who are far away, just like the team from St Matthews who can to our doors to share Christ's love. We need to show God's care for creation, justice, peace and reconciliation and to give time to worship God in common and in private and give him time each day.

The widow of the gospel had a generous heart, as did the widow in the first reading (1 Kings 17:10-16). They looked outward to the needs of others and gave what they could. Can we not do the same?

*Lord teach me to know you more,
love you more and serve you more
faithfully in my life –*

St Ignatius Loyola.

Blessings

Father Ron

AWA Meeting Next Wednesday

Please bring along any WWI memorabilia for a display
For further information contact Viv Cunningham

Sentence of the day:

Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back. *Luke 6.38*

Collect of the day:

O God,
whose blessed Son came into the world
that he might destroy the works of evil
and make us your children and heirs of eternal life:
grant that, having this hope,
we may purify ourselves as he is pure;
that, when he comes again with power and great glory,
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he lives and reigns with you and 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:

- Us, God's church family at St George's and St Stephens. May we live out our faith in very practical, doing ways.
- Ron and the Ministry Team in our church that they will be encouraged and built up in their faith by the support and caring of the members of our church.
- Natalie as she transitions from ministering in Forbes back to Parkes. May she and Ron establish a really good working relationship so that our church in Parkes and Peak Hill Parish will be built up for the Kingdom of God.
- Anglicare – as the ministry seeks to support the poor (remembering James 2) and disadvantaged and the Farmers in their current predicament.
- drought breaking rain and encouragement for farmers and wisdom in their farming practises.
- Our children's ministries – Little Acorns and Toy Library for pre-schoolers, Sunday School and Kid's Connect for infants/primary age and Nexus for high schoolers. Pray for our current leaders and for those God is calling to join the ministries.
- School Scripture
- Planning for Christmas outreach/services in church and schools.

Thanks for the great donations given to help our local Farmers. At the moment we have plenty of personal products but would love to add the following:

Cling wrap, sandwich bags, alfoil etc, pet food, snack items for school children.

Readings This Week

Pentecost 25

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:3-17 (pg 211)

Psalm 127 (APBA 362)

Hebrews 9:23-28 (pg 976)

Mark 12:38-44 (page 825)

Hymns

7:30am: 41, 38, 456, 25

9:30am: Fight on, Fighter

This is Amazing Grace

This I Believe

Praise the Name

National Anthem

Figures for W/E 4/11/18

Collections \$2,520.00

Target. \$2,700.00

Shortfall. \$180.00

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Readings Next Week

Pentecost 26

1 Samuel 1:4-20 (pg 213)

Song of Hannah (APBA 429)

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 (pg 976)

Mark 13:1-11 (page 825)