



# Oakhurst

## Anglican Church

*To Make and Grow Disciples of Jesus Christ*

February 2, 2020

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A warm welcome to everyone at church today. Let us worship God together and seek to grow in our ability to follow him more closely and grow in our love for one another. Please join us after the service for a chat and a cuppa.

Today's Sermon:

Bible Reading: O/T Psalm 8 N/T John 1:1-18



## Praise and Prayer Points

- Pray for children returning to school, starting school and preschool/prep for the first time, also those starting a new school. Pray that they all settle in well and enjoy their time at school.
- Pray for teachers and all those working in schools that they can settle into the new year quickly.
- Pray for our church ministries returning this week, pray for those preparing and leading the all those who attend our many and varied ministries.
- Continue to pray for those known to us who are grieving.
- Pray for those recovering from the fire storms, those going through drought. Pray good rain will fall on our dry thirsty land. Give thanks for what has fallen.



Resumes Feb 23

HEARTWORK<sup>18+</sup>

Colossians 3:23

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# Rector Writes

It always seems to me that, despite the presence of January 1, the year doesn't really start until after Australia Day. School is back, most people have returned from holidays, the traffic gets worse, the trains are more crowded. Everything is 'back to normal'. This year, more than most, after a summer of bushfire and with continuing drought, 'normal' won't be quite as normal as usual.

We are beginning the year by looking at John's gospel. John wrote his gospel because he wanted people to 'believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you might have life in his name'. It is my prayer that in our desire to make and grow disciples of Christ, we will ourselves be finding life as we believe in Jesus, and that we will be wanting to share the name of Jesus with others. As everything at church gets back under way, I hope that's your prayer too.

The start of 2020 has come with global uncertainty. From bushfires in Australia which made international news to a virus in China which has spread rapidly around the world, we have been reminded that life is not as certain as we sometimes think. Just this past Monday, the news of the untimely death of American basketballer, Kobe Bryant, raced around the world. We live in unsettling times. As we think about all these things, let's remember that the news of the death of Jesus also raced around the world and continues to do so to this day. In Acts 12:24, we are told that 'the word of God spread'. Let it be our prayer that the word of God might spread from here.

The readings are Psalm 8 and John 1:1-18. The title of the sermon is Who's in charge?

One other notice from me:

One of the ways we encourage one another at Oakhurst Anglican is by reading the Bible together. A number of groups meet to do that each week, and most of them are beginning this week. If you would like to join one, please speak to Jason or to one of the Bible study leaders. We would love to have you join us!

## Corona Virus Considerations

In view of the outbreak of the Corona Virus, and to follow the Guidelines of the Department of Health in respect to public gatherings, the Church recommends the following actions:

Any person who has cold and flu symptoms should not attend Church for 2 weeks; if they have visited main land China or Hong Kong in the past 2 weeks: or who has been in contact with a person who has visited main land China or Hong Kong in the past 2 weeks. It would also helpful if gloves are used when serving morning tea

We thank you for your understanding and acknowledge that this will not apply to the majority of our congregations.

The Wardens

## AGM

The church AGM for 2020 will be held Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March after the 10am service. More details will be available closer to the date.

## Food Collection

Due to storage of food at Anglicare, food hampers are difficult to get. I am asking our church family to bring in non perishable food for the next couple of weeks, to make up emergency hampers until I can get hampers from Anglicare again. Thankyou Isabelle

## Attention Ladies:

Western Sydney Anglican Region Annual Dinner will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

If you are interested in attending please put your name on the sheet up the back by 9<sup>th</sup> Feb, so tickets can be ordered.

Also indicate whether you need a lift or can provide one.

For more information refer to the flyer.

Tickets are \$25.00, payment to Carolyn - Many thanks

### CFABM Soccer Invite - Pre Season Training

- Saturday the 1st of February
- Time aimed to be booked with a start time anywhere from 12pm to 3pm with a duration of 1 hour.
- Location: Emerton Leisure Centre indoor courts - (renamed Charlie Lowe's Leisure Centre.)
- 16 years and older
- \$5 court hire contribution to be given to Tully.
- Shin pads are a must!
- Please contact Tully on 0415 774 737 if you are interested and decide to come in order to receive further details.

### Message From The Wardens

As all groups or activities will be commencing soon, could leaders of these groups, which regularly use the church building, please email the wardens to confirm their use. [wardens@oakhurstanglican.org.au](mailto:wardens@oakhurstanglican.org.au)

Please indicate the day, time of use and which part of the church that you require.

Many thanks, The Wardens

### Notices

If you would like to put a notice in the newsletter please send an email to Darlena at [bndwilson7@gmail.com](mailto:bndwilson7@gmail.com) by Wednesday so it can be added in time for the Sunday service.

### Next Week's Roster 09/02

Leader: TBA

Bible Reader: 8:15 Janice Bamford / 10am Melissa Woods / 6pm Cathy Moore

Bible Readings: O/T Exodus 40:34-38 N/T John 1:1-18

Prayers: TBA

Welcoming: Colleen & Isabelle

Morning Tea: Alan Boyd, Graham & Kathy Keith

## Banking Details

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