



Oakhurst
Anglican Church
To Make and Grow Disciples of Jesus Christ

January 5, 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: A Realistic View A Right Way - Matthew 7:1-12

Bible Reading: O/T Isaiah 66:12-24 N/T Matthew 7:1-12

A Realistic View A Right Way



Praise and Prayer Points

- Give thanks many are having a break from the routine of life, either going away for a holiday or staying home and relaxing. Pray that everyone stays safe and well.
- Give thanks for our wonderful fire fighters who have been on the frontline for weeks.
- Pray for the dreadful situation of bushfires in our country. Pray for hundreds who have lost their homes or businesses or both. Pray most of all for those who have lost family members, the young firemen's families, 3 have lost their lives trying to help others. For thousands of animals and birds, for many of these beachside towns who are missing out on income because people aren't and can't spend their annual holidays in these beachside resorts.
- Pray for drought breaking rains to fall widespread across our drought stricken country. Pray it happens very soon.

A prayer for Australia in drought and fire.

Our heavenly Father, creator of all things and especially the creator of this land and its original peoples, we call out to you in these desperate times as fires have swept across several parts of our country.

Our hearts cry out to you for those who have lost loved ones, and those who have lost properties in the wake of these ravaging fires. Father we pray, in your mercy, restrain the forces of nature from creating catastrophic damage; in your mercy protect human life.

Guard those volunteers, rural fire service personnel and emergency services who selflessly step into the breach to fight these fires. Guide police and authorities who help evacuate and shelter those who are displaced. Bring comfort and healing to all who suffer loss.

Remembering your promises of old that seed-time and harvest will never cease, we pray that you would open the heavens to send refreshing rain upon our parched land. In your mercy, we pray for drenching rain.

We pray that despite the forecasts, in your miraculous power you would bring forth rain to quench these fires and to bring life back into the earth, so that crops may grow and farmers may bring forth the harvest of the land again.

We bring these requests before your throne, in the name of your Son, who died and rose again for our deliverance,

Amen.

Morning Tea and Welcoming Rosters

The Welcoming Roster and Morning tea roster for the 10am service are in the process of being updated for 2020. If you would like to be involved with either or both please text Carolyn on 0410 960 133. Alternatively if you cannot help again please text by 20 Jan. (Will assume that those already serving on these rosters are happy to be on them again unless they reply) Many thanks Carolyn

WORKING BEE

A working bee will be held at the Church on Saturday 11 January 2020 commencing at 08.30am to clean the inside and outside of the Church, in preparation for the start of Jason's ministry on 13 January 2020 and the Commencement of Ministry Service on Friday 17 January 2020.

All members of all congregations are encouraged to attend both event please.

Thank You Lunch For Syd

Sunday 12 January 2020 will be Syd's last service with Oakhurst Anglican Church. There will be a combined service at 10.00am and a 2.00pm Dinka Service, to say thank you to Syd for his ministry to Oakhurst over the past 21 months.

A lunch will follow the 10.00am service at 12.00 midday.

Both the 10.00am and 1.00pm (2.00pm on 12 Jan 20) congregations members are invited to bring a plate of "finger food" only (sandwiches, party pies, sausage rolls, cakes, slices etc.) (NO HOT FOOD DISHES) to share in the thank you lunch for Syd.

Notice Regarding Commencement Service

Following the commencement service for Jason Ramsay and his family, there will be light refreshments including finger food, drinks etc. If you are able to assist in any way, please put your name down on the sheet on the back notice board. FYI The commencement service is in the evening of 17th January 2020. Many Thanks, Ellie & Carolyn

Notices

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

Next Week's Roster 12/01

Leader: Bill

Bible Reader: 8:15 Denise Fraser / 10am Ros Dempsey / 6pm Jeremy Collins

Prayers: Bill

Welcoming: Coralie & Sharon

Morning Tea: Jenny Clarke

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