



Oakhurst

Anglican Church

To Make and Grow Disciples of Jesus Christ

March 1, 2020

97 Hyatts Rd Oakhurst, 2761

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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: Just A Magic Trick

Bible Reading: O/T Joel 2:18-32 N/T John 2:1-12



Praise and Prayer Points

As Alan and Isabelle are away there are no new prayer points. Please remember to pray for each other.



Rector Writes

It may well have escaped many of us, but the season of Lent began last Wednesday with Ash Wednesday. For many churchgoers, Lent is an extremely important time, involving a period of reflection and fasting in the lead up to Easter. In the church context in which I grew up, we did not pay much attention to Lent in that way, and as children we sometimes would make a joke about how we would give up broccoli or cauliflower for Lent. Lent has often become a symbol of religious devotion and a way in which we can earn credit with God by fasting in some way. But Jesus reminds us that fasting belongs to the Old Covenant and that if we do choose to fast, that is between us and God and is not to be done in a way which advertises our fasting to others. It is a shame that Lent has come to be used in this way, because it was originally meant to be a time of joy and preparation for the death and resurrection of Jesus each year. While we may not 'give up' something for Lent, we can certainly use the next 6 weeks to prepare ourselves for Easter. What a shame it would be if Easter caught us unawares in 2020! As we get ready for Easter, let us be thankful to God for the death of his Son Jesus, and be praying that we will welcome many visitors to our church at Easter time this year.

Notices

AGM

The church AGM for 2020 will be held Sunday 22nd March after the 10am service. Please be praying about who could be nominated for Warden and Parish Councillor at the AGM. Nomination forms are available in the foyer and when completed can be put in the Warden Suggestion Box at the back of the church

Men's BBQ at the Forresters.

Men, join us for a BBQ at the Forresters (37A Durham St Mt Druitt) on Saturday March 14 at 6:30 for 7. A chance to catch up and hear about what we will be doing for the rest of the year. RSVP to Bill or Jason

RISEN Movie Night:

Saturday night April 4 at the church at 7pm. A movie which follows a Roman centurion who is ordered to find the body of Jesus.

Op Shop Sale

The next OP Shop sale will be held next Saturday 7th March.

In the past, a Sausage Sizzle has been held. We would like to start this up again. If you are willing to help cook sausages, serve/ sell sausage sandwiches, cans of Drink, tea or Coffee, please see Jason or Carolyn or email at minister@oakhurstanglican.org.au or forbill@tpg.com.au . many thanks

Kitchen Tea Towels

Many thanks to those that have taken wet tea towels home to wash. At the moment, we are quite low on tea towel, so would ask if any clean tea towels be returned to the kitchen. Many thanks

Annual Western Region Women's dinner

Tickets have been purchased for ladies who indicated that they would be attending the dinner. Cost is \$25.00 which can be paid to Carolyn. For those that have not purchased tickets please email Carolyn at forbill@tpg.com.au

Phone Directory Notice

Barbara Priestley has had her landline disconnected and her new mobile number is 0492899864. Please update your directories.

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 08/03

Leader: Bill

Bible Reader: 8:15 Jim Holdsworth / 10am Carolyn Forrester / 6pm Lachlan Davies

Bible Readings: O/T Psalm 69:1-18 N/T John 2:13-22

Prayers: Carolyn Forrester

Welcoming: Colleen & Isabelle

Morning Tea: Wilson Family

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