



Oakhurst

Anglican Church

To Make and Grow Disciples of Jesus Christ

March 15, 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: New Life!

Bible Reading: O/T Numbers 21:1-9 N/T John 2:23-3:15



Praise and Prayer Points

- Praise God for rain in the drought areas of our country, pray for follow up rain to happen.
- Pray for Coronavirus sweeping the world, that the treatment will be developed and wisdom be given to control it. Pray for protection for the population that can be most affected.
- Pray for those facing a custody battle for children and grandchildren on the 26th of March. Pray that God gives wisdom to the authorities and peace and strength for all who have been affected.
- Pray for the AGM meeting on the 22nd March, pray for God's wisdom for Warden's & Parish Councillor's to lead His church at Oakhurst this year.

If you have a prayer need, please contact Darlena by Wednesday evening each week.



Rector Writes

"Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine." These words from Isaiah 43:1 have rarely seemed more precious. Originally written to God's people under God's judgment, they represented the promise of God that he would rescue them from exile and that he would be with them always. How must it have felt to have that assurance from God? Even under very trying circumstances, they did not need to be afraid. Likewise, the news that God has rescued us in Christ releases us from fear, especially in the current climate. We do not need to be afraid, and because of that, we are free to love and care for our brothers and sisters and the wider community in the best way possible. Some of us will have serious health concerns, some will be concerned about employment or financial impacts, and all of us will be making plans in the event of further 'social isolation' measures. Can I encourage us all to continue with the 'elbow tap' or 'Wuhan footshake', even if it seems a bit over the top, as an expression of our care for others. If you are unwell, we encourage you to stay home, and we are exploring options to make the service available online so that we can all have fellowship together. Above all, keep on encouraging one another to trust in the Lord Jesus. Let us continue to trust in him and take all things to him in prayer, knowing that he cares for us.

Notices

AGM

The church's AGM is next week. If you would like to nominate (or be nominated) please make sure you have out the nomination form in the wardens' box.

Thanksgiving Service

Thanksgiving Service for Ivan Lee: This will be held at St Andrews Cathedral on Saturday March 28 at 10am.

Easter

Easter activities flyer Please take some flyers as invitations or to put in letterboxes in your street.



Easter
at Oakhurst Anglican Church

Saturday April 4
Watch the movie **Risen** at 7pm
Follow a Roman Centurion searching for the body of Jesus
A question time about the Resurrection of Jesus will follow
(The movie is rated M for mature themes, violence and some disturbing images. Not for young children.)

Good Friday April 10
Service at 10am
Dinka Service at 1pm

Easter Sunday April 12
Service at 8:15am
Service at 10am - followed by an Easter egg hunt
Evening Service at 6pm

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Samuel John's Graduation

Congratulations to Samuel John on his graduation from Moore College on Monday night!



RISEN Movie Night:

The movie will still be on! 7pm on Saturday April 4.

Corona Virus

We continue to take advice from the Diocese from this constantly evolving situation. Thank you to everyone for your response to the measures put in place last week. At this stage, we have decided that we will not have Holy Communion for the next few weeks, and will re-assess after that point. If you have any other concerns, please speak to Jason or the wardens.

For Sale

Linen for girls including good doona, two doona covers, blankets and two sets of sheets and pillow cases. All for \$25. See Jenny Clarke

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 22/03

Leader: Bill

Bible Reader: 8:15 Denise Fraser / 10am Melissa Woods / 6pm Denise Fraser

Bible Readings: O/T Ezekiel 36:22-38 N/T John 3:16-36

Prayers: Bill

Welcoming: Sharon & May

Morning Tea: Alan Boyd, Graham & Kathy Keith

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