

# WOLLONGONG REGIONAL PRAYER DIARY



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**1 JUNE —31 AUGUST 2017**

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### WOLLONGONG REGIONAL MINISTRIES

#### **DAY 1:**

**BISHOP Peter & Julie Hayward:** Give thanks for the many opportunities to visit our churches and share in the ministry of our parishes. Give thanks for and pray that David Helm's ministry at the Wollongong Regional Conference (May 29-31) will have ongoing impact and encouragement for all who were present. Pray for the ongoing planning for our 2018 Wollongong Regional Mission to proceed smoothly. Pray for Peter's ministry in other Diocese's around Australia during 2017.

**ASSISTANT TO BISHOP Tony & Judy Willis:** (Chairman, Sydney Anglican Schools Corporation): Give thanks for the privilege to serve our church congregations across the Region. Pray for the Gong Men's Day at Dapto on Saturday 17 June – for Dave Jensen and Ray Galea as they speak from Acts. Pray for Tony in his chairing the Board for the Anglican Schools Corporation – for wisdom and focus. Pray for our schools and Principals during the ongoing complexities around funding and the complexities to be dealt with in our schools day by day. Pray that Judy and Tony have a good opportunity to rest and relax over their holidays in July.

**WOLLONGONG REGIONAL COUNCIL:** Give thanks and pray for the ongoing support that the Regional Council gives to Bishop Peter Hayward and to ministries across the Region. Pray for the support of ministries in the South West Sydney growth corridor as the Council seeks to work with the ministries to grow the work of the gospel.

**DAY 2:**

**ANGLICARE WOLLONGONG REGION: Matt Harden (Regional Manager, Wollongong & Shoalhaven), Kaye Grant (Exec Asst):** Pray for management and staff as they endeavour to deliver Christ-centred, professional and effective Christian care programs that meet need, bring the gospel and harness the passion and gifts of Christians in local churches.

**ANGLICARE CHAPLAINS & CHAPLAINCY TEAMS:**

**Rev Ian Rienits (Hospitals) - June Bock (Aged Care) - Ray Beckman (South Coast Correctional Centre):** Praise our Lord for the opportunities to share the gospel with patients frequently and for his mercy in bringing some of these folk to faith. Pray for the arrangements needed for Ian Rienits to take LSL from mid-July through September. Pray for continuing stamina and joy for the volunteer chaplains.

**DAY 3:**

**ANGLICARE COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAMS: Jacqui Leonard, & Maria Orr (Snr Program Mgrs), Debbie Magyar & Michelle Woszatka (Program Mgrs) & Teams:** Prayer for a new program – Men's Behaviour Change Program. Pray for the setup of the program and that we will impact men in a positive way in their roles of partners and fathers. Pray for the Sustainable Living program as it re-assesses the outcomes of the programs. That the program will enhance its delivery in addressing client need and provide effective pathways that bring change. That staff will be resourced and equipped for the work that lies ahead of them.

**Partnership Development—Dianne Hillier:** Give thanks for the growing relationship between parishes and Anglicare. Please pray for continued growth with Mobile Community Pantries at Airs & Caringbah and for ongoing discussions in Parishes located in areas of social disadvantage. Pray that God inspires innovative thinking to help meet parish and community needs in sustainable, Christ-focused ways.

**ANGLICARE SHOPS: Bob Jessep (Bomaderry), Sarah Bennett (Campbelltown), Glenn Calica (Narellan), Carol Kyriacou (Wollongong):**

**Bomaderry:** Pray for new volunteers to join the Bomaderry team.

**Campbelltown:** Pray for Sarah and her team as they care for the local community.

**Narellan:** Pray that a new lease will come through soon and that we can build links with the local parish.

**Wollongong:** Give thanks for the work and ministry of the shop over the last 20 years. Please pray for Carol and the team as the shop is shutting at the end of June.

**DISASTER RECOVERY: Esther Singenstreu (DR Mgr), Doug Philpott (Regional Coordinator – volunteer):** Give thanks for the appointment of a new administrator to assist Esther and volunteer team leaders. Give thanks for relatively quiet times in the region. Pray for all the training events currently being rolled out.

#### **DAY 4:**

**ENGLISH FOR LIFE:** Thank God for the ministry of the ESL team at Menai which closed in March. Pray for the Anglicare ESL Training Day on July 14<sup>th</sup> and for safety as people from our region travel to the new location at Glenwood. Praise for churches that are enhancing cross-cultural and cross-church mission. St Mark's West Wollongong ESL have combined with their MU group to give knitting lessons to students and St Michael's Wollongong have commenced an 11am Easy English service. Classes are at Bulli / Keiraville / Wollongong / West Wollongong / Warrawang / Campbelltown / Ingleburn / Nowra / Jannali / Gynea / Menai / Miranda / Sylvania.

**MARY ANDREWS COLLEGE: Rev Jackie Stoneman (Director of Studies) and Staff:** Pray for good enrolments in the units being offered in Semester 2 in the region: Psalms and Ezra on a Tuesday at Dapto; God and the person and work of Christ on a Thursday at Dapto; Creative ministries at Mittagong on a Thursday. Thank God for the faculty who are willing to travel to deliver courses in the regions. Pray that students will grow in their love of God and His word and apply what they are learning.

**MOTHERS' UNION: Joan Tasker (VP Wollongong Region):** Please thank God for all our faithful godly members of MU. Please thank God that we are created in Christ Jesus to do good works and pray that we might be open to His leading to do the good works that God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2.10

**EMERGENCY SERVICES CHAPLAINS: Police (Rev John Reed):**

**RFS (Rev Robert & Jenny Stubbs):** Give thanks for the opportunities made with RFS Members through medal presentations. Pray for members of the RFS who are facing difficulties in life; sickness and treatments; for their safety in carrying out Hazard Reductions and attending motor vehicle accidents; and in their duties in voluntary service to protect their communities.

**YOUTHWORKS TRAINING: Vacant (HS SRE & Youth Advisor), Rev**

**Tim Beilharz (Children's Ministry & Primary SRE Advisor):** Praise God for the positive report from the release of the 2015 DoE review into SRE. Pray that Youthworks SRE Office and parish SRE Coordinators will be able to implement the necessary recommendations and continue in positive relationships with our schools. Praise God for the success of House Conference and Intergenerational Forum which saw 150 vocational CM/YM and 50 rectors and senior staff engage in the theology, theory and practice of intergenerational ministry and its influence on discipleship ministry in the churches.

**MISSION AREA: Macarthur**

**DAY 5:**

**MISSION LEADER: Rev Nigel Fortescue:**

**CAMDEN: Rev Tony & Debbie Galea, Rev Mitchell Herps (AM), Tim Ash (YM), Karina Edgerton (CM), Pat Burnett, Debbie Banister, Trish Harley, Jan Neville & David Henderson (PW), Cameron Mason (SM), Sarah MacRaid (PA&A), Brian Peacock (ptA):** Praise God for salvations at the Easter Services and for great attendance. Praise God for the unity among the staff. Pray for Youth Winter Beach Camp for growing disciples of Christ and safety. Pray for wisdom for the church leadership with the Sale and Trust Ordinance being passed by the Standing Committee. Pray for strength and wisdom for the many people who serve in all the ministries at church and give thanks for them.

**CAMPBELLTOWN: Rev Nigel & Nicky Fortescue, Rev Leanne Burns (AM), Rev Simon & Gill Twist (AM), Rev Jason & Melissa Moss (AM), Rev Mick & Kat Bullen (AM), Rev Mark & Nicole Schroder (SC Broughton College), Rev Adam & Trudi Richards (HonAM—UoWS), Sarah Manning & Kylie Chapman (A), Nathanel Girges & Jasmine Blencowe (Y13):** Praise God for the safe arrival of Jason and Melissa's third boy, Archie. Please pray for them, and for all Christian parents, as they seek to raise their children to know and love Jesus as their King, and encourage others to do the same. Continue to pray for our Exploring Christ courses as many families seeking baptism for their children come through this pathway. Pray that many might come to know Jesus.

**COBBITTY: Rev Dave & Jo Barrie, Leah Dyason (Y&CM), Vacant (A):** Give thanks for strong growth at the evening service and pray that new families moving into the area will connect with a local church. Pray for our new part-time music leader, Brendan Raymond, who started with us in May. Pray for our Youth and Children's minister, Leah Dyason, as she has just returned from maternity leave. Pray for the Barrie family (Dave, Jo, Jasmine, Samuel, Sophie and Kaitlyn) as they spend 9 weeks in North America on a family holiday for Dave's Long Service Leave. Pray for Rev. Rob Barrie as he will be Locum from mid-May to the end of July. Give thanks for 190 years of Christian ministry in Cobbitty and pray for our 190th Celebrations in October.

**DAY 6:**

**DENHAM COURT: Rev Nigel & Janene Webb, Vacant (A):** Give thanks for the many visitors at our Easter & ANZAC events. Pray they will be changed by the gospel message they heard. Give thanks that God has blessed our church community with gifted & hard working people. Ask that God would bless our efforts as we reach out to the new residents in Denham Court & Leppington. Pray that families will put being part of church as a priority in their life.

**EAGLE VALE: Rev Craig & Sandra Hooper, Simon Owen (ptYW/YA), Sashi Grayndler (CW&FM), Steve Thurgar (SM), Georgia Clements (MTS—Youthworks), Kye Hooper & Kyle Baker (Y13), Jenny Blackburn (A):** Praise God for: the gospel bearing fruit through the 'Bible time' linked with our Self Defence and Fitness class; that the money has been raised for Kyle's mission trip to Fiji with Year 13. Please pray for: this mission trip to further grow the gospel in Fiji and in the Yr 13er's and leaders who go; wisdom and boldness as we plan for 2018 and beyond, particularly for a meeting on Sat 24 June; the raising of at least \$60,000 so we can employ Steve our current Student Minister as an Evangelist next year.

**GLENQUARIE: Rev David & Jacqueline Ould, Rev Stu & Trudi Woods, Jacquie Kinsey (Break the Cycle), Hayley Boag & James Vigar (SM), Vacant (A):**

**DAY 7:**

**INGLEBURN: Rev Joe & Alison Wiltshire, Rev David & Edwina Blowes (AM), Kristen Lewis (Y13), Jason Craig (MTS), Vacant (A):**

**LEPPINGTON (Hope Anglican Church): Rev Luke & Lenore Symons, Rev Cameron & Rachel Noakes (AM), Shanalle Wood (MTS):**

**MACARTHUR INDIGENOUS ANGLICAN CHURCH: Pastor Michael & Mary Duckett:**

**DAY 8:**

**MENANGLE: Rev Chris & Judy Moroney, Brian Peacock (A):**

**MINTO: Rev Chris & Jenny Hanger, Rev Matthew & Jessica Bales (AM), Rev Hung-En Tien (pt Chinese Pastor), Evelyn Nicholls (Op Shop), David Withington (Y), Angela Bailey (A):**

**NARELLAN: Rev Jim & Vanessa Douglass, Rev Chris & Susan Conyers (AM), Julie McGilvray (AdM), Meagan McGilvray (SM), Rachel Snell (A):** Thank God for answered prayers, for continued growth, additional kids' club leaders and for a great Day at Home. Give thanks for the faithful giving of God's people and pray for wisdom and generosity in managing our budget shortfall. Pray that God would continue to provide for his people in Narellan, and that we would grow in prayer, in proclamation and in love for one another. Pray that our youth would be increasingly convicted by the gospel.

**DAY 9:**

**ORAN PARK (NewLife Anglican): Rev Stuart & Carolyn Starr, Rev Michael Mak (AM), Rev Geoff & Kathy Leader (AM):** Please pray that on July 7<sup>th</sup> we'd see lots of our NewLife children's friends come to our Kids Day Camp. Pray for Michael and our lay leaders as they prepare and teach. Pray for a great time with the team from Norwest Anglican who will help us run the camp. Pray that children will hear the good news of Jesus and decide to follow Him as King. Pray for our marriage day to strengthen and support our families (June 10<sup>th</sup>).

**PICTON-WILTON: Rev Ben & Kate Boardman, Rev Phil & Pamela Parker (AM), Rev Greg Stanton (Hon), Matt & Molly Borg (SM):**

**ROSEMEADOW with APPIN: Rev Chris & Judy Moroney (AR), Rev Brett & Von Hall, Rev Michael & Helen Kinsey (AM), Mark Delbridge (SM), Collette Wise (ptA):** Give thanks to God for our new evening congregation launching on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June. Pray that people come to faith in Christ and grow in him, especially as we begin by doing the Life Explored course. Give thanks for the establishment of a new Playtime Group & Bible Study. Pray that we'd connect with parents in our community. Give thanks for a new partnership with Vocational Bible College. Pray that we'd be fruitful in training up workers for the harvest.

**DAY 10:****SCHOOLS:**

**Macarthur Anglican School: Dr David Nockles (HS), Rev David & Romaine Hayman (SC), Chrissy Wong (ptASC):** We celebrate our annual Foundation Day (20 June) with a range of whole school activities, including a worship service. Pray that students, staff and the school community will be refocused on Christ and re-energised through the Holy Spirit as we live out the motto of 'Through Christ Alone'. We partner with Crusaders and local churches to run a holiday 'Day Camp' (Super Cru) for K-6 children, based at MAS (3-7 July). Pray for the children coming, for the team of volunteer leaders (including some of our senior students) and for the leadership and ministry of Crusaders.

**St Peter's Primary: Brendon Gorman (HS):**

**Broughton Anglican College: Don O'Connor (HS), Rev Mark Schroder (SC):**

**Wollondilly Anglican College: Dr Stuart Quarmby (HS) Ian Croger**

**(ActHS):** After a sad end to last term with the death of two much loved members of our College community, mother and son, in a car crash, the College Community has rallied around both drivers involved in the accident and their families. 350 students marched this year in several ANZAC ceremonies to encourage active service men and women and the families of those in the past who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Stage 9b of the building program will see the College provided with a shelter over the assembly area; stage 10 with a renovated Science and Technology Centre and plans are well underway for our penultimate Primary building. We are indeed, lavishly blessed.

**DAY 11:**

**SOUTH CREEK (HARRINGTON PARK & GREGORY HILLS): Rev Jono & Jenny Squire, Rev Gavin & Lara Oram (AM), Rev Ben & Stacie Pakula (AM), Mel Gillies (CM), Vacant (A):**

Thank God for our recent Explaining Christianity course. Pray that God's word would take root in people's lives and bear fruit. Thank God and pray for our youth group and Kids' Club - pray that the kids and youth would grow as disciple-making disciples of Jesus. Pray for those being confirmed on 11 June. Pray for the growth of the gospel amongst the rapidly expanding population around us. Pray that we would welcome people well and reach out to those not yet saved. Pray for God's provision for all that is needed to continue and grow gospel ministry.

**THE OAKS: Rev Paul & Lorraine Davey, Mrs Verity Hoffman (FW), Mrs Inika Kroh (WW), Rev Jess Larrea (8am):**

**UNIVERSITY MINISTRY: UWS - Rev Adam & Trudi Richards (pt):**

**WOLLONDILLY: Rev Neil & Anne Mayhew (AR), Rev Robert & Miriam Meischke (AM&RFS Chaplain), Michelle Wales (Y13), Eileen Bicknell (SRE), Naomi Touzel (YT), Rae Dutton (A):** Praise God that some new people have joined each of our congregations this year so far. Give thanks that; a number, of our youth committed themselves to serving Christ at the recent KYCK conference. Pray that the new people and new Christians will be nurtured and welcomed well. We thank the Lord for the provision of all our resources, and for the keen lay ministering team throughout the Parish. We pray that the newly baptised will grow by God's grace and will grow in serving, loving, witnessing and praising Christ as Lord and Saviour.



**DAY 12:**

**MISSION AREA: Shoalhaven-Southern Highlands**

**MISSION LEADER: Rev Marty Davis & Rev Dean Reilly:**

**ANGLICAN RETIREMENT VILLAGES: Bay & Basin Community Aged Care Program: David Neal:**

**BERRY: Rev Neil & Leanne Percival, Cecily Lewis (A):**

**DAY 13:**

**BOMADERRY: Rev Sean & Linda Heslehurst, Wicky & Louise Ochieng' (C/YM), Liz Hylton-Cummins (A):** We praise God for our new Parish Council and ask for guidance for them as they seek God as to His direction for 2017. We give thanks for our children and youth programs and pray for continued growth and that we as a church may reach the Shoalhaven for Christ.

**BOWRAL: Rev Stephen & Sharon Fifer, Rev Graham & Naomi Schultz (AM), Rev Dr Vic & Delle Roberts (SenM), Rev Matt & Keren Jacobs (YM), Carmen Williams (CM), Glenys Howarth (PW), Allan Beavis (M), Felicity Ray (A):** Thank God that 50 of our young people attended the KYCK Conference at Katoomba and pray they will continue to grow in their relationship with Jesus. Pray for Matt Jacobs as he leads them. Pray for all the preparation for the kids holiday club "Maker Fun Factory" on July 3-6 and for good follow up. Pray for our Bible Fellowship groups and their leaders and for Vic and Delle Roberts as they continue to minister to the many seniors in the Parish.

**CULBURRA BEACH: Rev Paul & Ingrid McPhail, Rev Sue Fisher (ptAM):**

**DAY 14:**

**HUSKISSON: Rev Ray & Louise Goldman, Trish Vaughan (A):** Pray that we will be a church marked by faith, hope and love, especially as we pursue property matters. Pray God will bless us with growth in spiritual maturity and number across our congregations. Pray the gospel will spread in the Jervis Bay and Basin area, the church strengthened, and above all we bring glory to Christ in all we do. Thank God for new members who have joined us this year.

**KANGAROO VALLEY: Rev Andrew & Cecily Paterson, Vacant (A):**

Please give thanks to God for the ongoing witness of the Anglican Church here in KV. Pray for continual effective gospel outreach into Kangaroo Valley. Pray we would use our strong community connections to be the aroma of Jesus and share the gospel in the various age/interest groups in KV. Pray as we revisit how to witness well in KV to kids, youth and families, and equip and excite our members in sharing their commitment to Christ with others. There have been some health issues come to both young and older members in both our congregations fairly suddenly this year; please pray our church would care for those members practically and pray for them too. We thank God for a couple of new Christians this year and a KV local currently doing the *Christianity Explored* course.

**MOSS VALE: Rev Dean & Catherine Reilly, Rev Dr Hugh & Barbara Cox (pt SenM), Sianna Caddy (ptCM&YM):**

Give thanks to God for the men, women and children who gather together regularly, as the church, in Moss Vale, Bong Bong, Berrima and High Range. Thank God for their commitment to encourage one another and for their enthusiasm in worshipping God in various ways. Praise God for Dean, Hugh and Sianna who serve us as staff and for the many lay men and women who serve us across our ministries. Pray for our 10am congregation as we move closer to transitioning our service from the St John's building into the Hall and for the team that is responsible for upgrading the Hall. Pray, as we work through the book of Acts, that God the Spirit will inspire us through God's word to share the gospel of Jesus with our community.

**DAY 15:**

**MITTAGONG: Rev Richard & Rev Marge Mills, Rev Matthew & Cathy Brooks-Lloyd (AM), Rev Steven & Julia Mackenzie (AM), Rev Canon John & Jan Livingstone, Rev Dr Ian & Zara Pennicook & Rev Don & Lesley Taylor (HonAM), Kathryn McIntosh (SM), Di Roki (FM), Julie Marks (A):**

**NOWRA: Rev Geoff & Anne Thompson, , Rev Jai & Christine McMordie (FM), Rev David & Camille Woodbridge (SenM), Kath Emerson (Community Care), Rev Josh & Brittany Murphy (C&YM), Jan Booth (A), Rev Gilbert & Ruth Page (Past Care), Rev Ray & Sue Beckman (CH):** Give thanks for a great time over Easter and new people who have come along to the Introducing God course as a result. Please pray for ShACC and for Phil Miles as he leads and disciples two young men in particular, and that God would raise up an aboriginal leader to pastor this fragile church. Please pray for our All Saints ministry team that we might resist the colds and flus of winter, and as we pray and plan a very full program of mission and evangelism for first term 2018. Pray that All Saints members would be consistent in attending church, personal prayer and reading God's word. Pray that our members might resist our consumer culture and that they might be consumed with a passion for Christ.

**ROBERTSON: Rev Graham & Michelle Thomas, Kirrilee Bracht (A):** We're continually thankful to God for our leaders in our small group ministry, music, service leadership and in many areas of church life. Please pray for the provision of volunteers and leadership in our seniors' ministry. Pray for the appointment of a youth and children's worker. We are thankful to God for new people investigating Jesus and indeed God's church here in Robertson and Burrawang, however, our prayer is that they would be welcomed and integrated into church life.

**DAY 16:**

**SCHOOLS:**

**Tudor House: David Musgrove (HS):**

**Nowra Anglican College: Lorrae Sampson (Exec Principal), David Hamaty (Dep. Principal), Rev Jim Dayhew (SC), Debra Baker (ptAC):**

**SHOALHAVEN ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY CHURCH (ShACC): Phil Miles, Rev Geoff Thompson:** Give thanks for the Aboriginal Church and their ongoing ministry in the Shoalhaven. Thank God for the partnership with All Saints Nowra. Pray for Phil Miles as he works in support of the ShACC ministry.

**SHOALHAVEN HEADS: Rev Anthony & Jude Douglas, Amanda Stavert (Y&CM):**

**DAY 17:**

**SUSSEX INLET: Rev Marty & Vivien Davis:**

**SUTTON FOREST: Rev Jeremy & Danielle Tonks, Rev Matthew Taylor & Cathy Harris (AM), Rev Cyril Turner (Hon), Rev Colin Reed (Hon), Danielle Tonks & Jackie Bonham (A):** Praise God for new youth group leaders. Praise God for great community involvement in Bundanoon's Brigadoon and Tallong's Apple Day. Pray for our Explorers Holiday Kids' Club (4,5,6 July). Pray for us as we explore options for seniors' evangelism.

**ULLADULLA: Rev Ross & Leanne Maltman, Dave & Jane Saunders (AM), Vacant (A):**

**YOUTHWORKS OUTDOORS SHOALHAVEN: Norm Black (Venue Manager), Jeremy Thomas (Catering Coordinator), Leanne Warner (Hospitality and Conference Coordinator), Matt Roberts (Program Team Leader):**

**DAY 18:**

**MISSION AREA: Sutherland**

**MISSION LEADER: Rev Neil Fitzpatrick:**

**ANGLICARE RETIREMENT VILLAGES: Donald Robinson Village, Kirrawee: Greg Murphy (Mgr), Jen Lewis (OpMgr), Carolyn Jamieson (Coord), Rev Andrew Hudson & Faye Hillier (CH):** Praise the LORD for the joy of being His people. Pray we will remember His many kindnesses. Give thanks for the power of the Easter message and pray we will continue to be drawn to the One who brings life. Bless us LORD with good health during these winter months and an attitude of gratitude. Pray for freshness for Andrew Hudson as he steps back into ministry after his long service leave. Praise God for sustaining Faye Hillier in Andrew's absence.

**Woolooware Shores: Greg Murphy (Mgr), Karen French (Ops Mgr); Goodhew Gardens: Mark Aros (Mgr), Donna Gibbs (Clinical Leader); Chaplaincy Team: Garry Dawes, Ngaire Moore & Marion Woodhouse;**  
**Pastoral Carers: Clint Beattie & Robyn Williams:**

**CARINGBAH: Rev Eric & Vivian Cheung, Rev Alex & Liz Zunica (SAM), Jordan Smith (SLW), Matt Stanley (SLW), Amy Thomason (SLW), Rod Dale, Robyn Heeley, Nicole Smith & Tracey Watson (ptA):**

**CHESALON LIVING: Sutherland, Jannali:**

**CRONULLA with KURNELL: Rev Rich & Juliet Wenden, Rev Peter & Lyne de Salis (AM), Robyn Masters (MT), Tamara Shepherd (ptCF), Beth Gould-Rahman (A):**

**DAY 19:**

**ENGADINE-HEATHCOTE: Rev James & Di Warren, Rev Michael & Christina Dodd (AM), Rev Mike & Emily Leite (AM), Scott Williams (MTS), Michelle Mellows (SRE), Mathea Au (SM), Margaret Chapman & Anne Cook (A):** Youth Ministry – The week before Easter saw 76 youth and 37 leaders go away for our annual youth camp (which includes a contingent from Hay Anglican Church & Engadine Congregational Church). Please pray for: our youth, esp those who made a commitment to Christ at camp, that they will grow to be strong Christians; for our leaders, esp those who are new; for our high school families, as kids turn into adults and all the dramas that go with it; for local High Schools – Engadine, Heathcote & Bosco, and especially for the Christians at school – student & staff. **Kids' Ministries** – We're to employ a specialist kids minister next. Please pray for: wisdom to know this is the best way forward for our parish; for great communication to and support from each member; that this will be really helpful to train & build up our leaders, kids & their families & reach our community in new and meaningful way. Pray for such an individual to be able and willing to join us in Christ's work in Heathcote-Engadine.

**GYMEA: Rev Graham & Jane Crew, Craig & Kirsty Stalder (AM), Olivia & Matt Robson (CM), Matt Steele-Smith, Alyce Falls & Aaron Smith (SM), Kim Cooper (A):** Thank God for: Great outreach events for women & men; continued growth of ESL classes; for strong LIFE group involvement & group pastors; for wise & godly Parish Council. Please pray for: our partnership with Anglicare to host a refugee family; Unity in truth & in love with prayerful dependence on God; salvation of youth & adults thru ESL & outreach; care for marginalised & poor in the Shire; strong, godly family and married life; disciplined, joyful devotional lives among all our members; God to raise up more young men and women among us to train for fulltime gospel ministry; for SRE to remain staffed & strong.

**SOUL REVIVAL CHURCH: Rev Stuart & Louise Crawshaw, Rev Matt & Lauren Redmond, Dan & Renee Gale (SM):**

**DAY 20:**

**HELENSBURGH & STANWELL PARK: Rev Steve & Kelly Carlisle, Rev Matt & Alicia Hall (AM), Ellyce Forster (SM), Rachel Peach (ptA):** Give thanks for the recent mission week in outreach to kids, youth and adults. Please pray for effective follow up and engagement. Give thanks for the growth of the gospel with some people becoming believers and others experiencing significant change in their lives as a result of the gospel. Pray for the upcoming Exploring Christianity course, that in God's kindness it might open hearts and minds to the good news. Pray for the many in our church who are going through difficult circumstance of grief or various other challenges, that they might continue to hold onto Jesus for hope.

**JANNALI: Rev Neil & Sandra Fitzpatrick, Rev Stephen & Jacky Hooper (AM), Rev Josh & Sara Maule (AM), Rev Cameron & Fran Hyslop (YM), Rev Andrew & Ruth Barry (AM), Rev Chris & Stef Overhall (AM), Lorraine Hiller (WM), Sean Balhatchet (ptPW), Mel Balhatchet (A):**

**MENAI: Rev Bruce & Judy Dingwall (AM), Andrew Hartman (LM), Rev Stefan & Helen Bull (AM), Margaret Icke (LM), Chris Beckman (YM), Mary Pickford (CM), Britt Cicognani (ptSM), Connor Davram (MTS); Taylor Cook (ptYI); Peter Crowther (Hon ptLM); Denise Gellett (ptA), Nola Betts (ptA), Melanie Lucas (ptA):** Give thanks for our recent youth camp with lots of young people either committing to Christ for the first time or recommitting. Thanks also for those who committed to Christ through our "One Life" course. Please pray that we get sufficient numbers of new leaders and teachers in our children's work and in SRE. Pray that we will have a culture that reaches out to those who don't yet know Christ.

**DAY 21:**

**MIRANDA: Rev Stephen & Susie Gibson, Rev Mike & Amelia Begbie, Rev Tim & Shona Goldsmith, Rev Brett & Mardi Middleton (AM), Rev Samuel & Jess Morton (YM), Rev Cameron & Katrina Harte (CM), Deb Uebel (CM), Rev Jennifer Everist (PW), Russell Denton (MTS), Sharyn Perry (PA), James Peters (SM), Zack Hankin (SM), Joshua & Jordan Roberts (Y13), Gabby Pearson (A):** Please give thanks for our Staff Team and God's provisions for us, especially our New Miranda North pastor Tim & Shona Goldsmith. Pray for wisdom and love as they settle in. Please pray for our mid-year Youth Camp in July 3-7 – *the Great Escape* – pray for Sam Morton and all our Youth leaders and cooks, and especially pray that young lives will be changed by our Lord Jesus Christ. Please pray for Joshua & Jordan Roberts and all the Year 13s for their midyear Fiji mission trip. Please pray for the spread of the gospel in Miranda and increasing opposition we face in schools and even aged care. *“Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven”*

**SUTHERLAND: Rev Tom & Simone Hargreaves, Rev Andrew & Keena Hudson (Chaplain DRV), Faye & Steve Hillier (Asst Chaplain DRV), Lyzzi Donnelly-Coode (YM), Graham Johnson (AdM), Carly Nancarrow (A):** Praise God for our Vision Launch Day in March and the congregations' support of it. Pray for wise follow up flowing out from this vision and mission. Give thanks for the opportunities to share Christ at our Soccer Camp in April, and for follow up opportunities. Praise God for our Playtime ministry, with many local families attending each week. Give thanks for God's provision of Lyzzi Donnelly-Coode as our new Youth Worker for our youth program on Friday night and the youth leadership team. Praise God for our church weekend away in April that it was an encouraging time in God's word, and that our relationships were built and strengthened as a church family. Please also pray for those starting the Christianity Explained course this month, that God may reveal himself to them.

**SYLVANIA: Rev Mark & Merryl Charleston, Rev Andy & Nicole Clark (AM), Ian Cartwright (SenM), Karina Brabham (SM), Megan Young (Y13), Vacant (A):** Give thanks for: the faithful witness of sick & grieving Christians within our church; our team of SRE teachers & helpers across five (5) schools as they persevere in this front-line ministry. Please pray for: our Confirmation service on 4th June; the preparations for our Reformation teaching series in Term 3; the development of our young adults ministries and younger leaders; cheerful and sacrificial giving for the Kingdom - both locally & globally; and most importantly, for a genuine hunger for God's Word with a commitment to prayer.

**YOUTHWORKS OUTDOORS: Mark Lawler (Director of Outdoor Recreation Training), Chris Deacon (Director of School Programs), Gina Black (Director of Communications):**

**DAY 22:**

**PORT HACKING: Darren Robertson (Venue Manager), Robyn Enthaler (Catering Coordinator), Cameron Blacker (Maintenance Coordinator), Matthew Wallace (Hospitality Coordinator), Julia Harrison (Deer Park Team Leader), Scott Balhatchet (Rathane Team Leader):**

**YOUTHWORKS TRAINING COLLEGE: Principal: Rev Dr Bill Salier, Vice Principal & Academic Dean: Rev Jim French, Lecturer: Ruth Lukabyo, Distance Co-ordinator: Ross Ryan, Support Staff: Registrar: Renee Gale, Accounts Administrator: Theny Johnston, Venue Manager: Jason Arthur, Caterer: Esther Croft:**

**YEAR 13 YOUTHWORKS GAP YEAR: Rev Michael Williamson (Director), Trinette Stanley (Student Dean), Rev Michael Hyam (Academic Dean), Kiara Meres (Pastoral Asst), Matt Steele-Smith (SM), Cassandra Rigby (MTS), Jo Booker, Renee Gale & Theny Johnston (Admin), Esther Croft & Jason Arthur (Site Staff), Pete & Vini Riches, Matt Stanley & Nick Ford (Pastoral Support):**

**DAY 23:**

**MISSION AREA: Wollongong (North & South)**

**MISSION LEADERS: Rev Steve Dinning & Rev Jodie McNeill**

**ALBION PARK: Rev Steve & Trish Roberts, Rev David & Janelle Traill (AM), Natasha Hansen (PC), Lin George & Beryl Nash (A):**

Praise God for the wonderful mission week we had with SMBC in the first week of April. Praise God that we have had a number of new people join us over the past 6 months. Pray for our planned Newcomers' Gathering in July - may it help people connect. Pray for upcoming opportunities to strengthen the Community aspect of our church family: Games Night and Dinner - 3/6; Come on Over lunches on 25/6. Pray for our pastoral care seminars on *Love in Action* to be held on Thursday nights 22 and 29 June and on Sunday afternoons 6 and 13 August.



**ALBION PARK RAIL (Park Rail Anglican Church—PRA): Rev Neil & Kirsty Scott:** Praise God that He has brought new families into the church and that He would equip the saints to disciple them well. Pray that God would continue to provide opportunities for the church to connect with the community and display Jesus clearly as His body. Pray for faithful proclamation of the Gospel at the upcoming Holiday Kids Klub.

**ANGLICARE RETIREMENT VILLAGES: Dapto: Jennifer Arkwright (Mgr), Kate Gallaugther (Care Mgr), Lyn Miles (PC), Rev Rick Miller (CH):** Give thanks for the service of Daniel Tuero as Care Manager, and pray for a smooth transition to his new role at Chesalon Jannali. Pray and give thanks for our new Care Manager, Kate Gallaugther, as she settles in. Pray for staff adjusting to various changes to systems and processes in recent months. Pray for the roll-out of the 'Christian Care' program, that all staff will have opportunity to understand the gospel and how it impacts on the way we do our work. Pray especially for palliative care staff, for wisdom and sensitivity.

**AUSTINMER: Rev Steve & Anne Dinning, Rev Paul & Zoe Gaetjens (AM), Wendy Potts (ptE), Megan Whittington (A):** Give thanks for our prayer focus in 1<sup>st</sup> term 'God's Work - My Village' as this stirred us to pray & we saw God at work. Give thanks for new initiatives that are currently just starting or about to start that have potential to increase contacts we have with local community. Pray that continued momentum in all facets of church life would be fuelled by our own relationship with God & his work in our lives.

**DAY 24:**

**BERKELEY LIFE CENTRE: Rev Wayne Pickford:**

**BULLI/WOONONA: Rev Leigh & Merylyn Roberts, Andy & Kirsty Callow (AM/YM), Kat & Steve Harris (ptCM), Dianne Williams (PA), Chris Baldwin (A):**

**CORRIMAL: Rev David & Carol Esdale, Nathan & Claire Zorn (YM), Kate Cole (ptCM), Cathy Wynn (A):**

**DAY 25:**

**DAPTO: Rev Stephen & Leigh-anne Semenchuk, Rev Stephen & Karen Swanepoel (SAM), Jamie & Amy McKenzie (AM), Jason & Paula McPhail (SM), Rev Rick & Lorraine Miller (ptSenM), Ian & Megan Morrison (CM), Di Whittaker (ptCA), Jill Pearce (Café), April Eames (Café Trainee), Linda Thomson (WPC), Dave Langley (EM), Christine Lane (ptA), Hilary Brown (ptA), Kelsie Hall, Amanda Murphy & Matt Bailey (MA):** Praise God for: Easter celebrations, that God's message of salvation through Jesus was clearly proclaimed. Pray for: Generous hearts throughout June Tax Affective Giving. Youth Camp 8-12/6 that many youth will claim Jesus as their own Lord and Saviour. Men's Gong Day 17/6 that men of our region will be encouraged and challenged in their walk of faith. Children's Holiday Club, 8-9/7 that the message of Jesus will be grasped by more children. Family Fun Day 20/8 encouraging families in their journey of faith together.

**FAIRY MEADOW (CrossRoads Christian Community): Rev Roger & Leah Fitzhardinge, Ven Deryck Howell (ptSAM), Alisoun Larkin (A):**

**FIGTREE: Rev Ian & Rhonda Barnett, Rev Ron & Julie Irving (AM), Karen Dixon (EM), Greg Bell (CA) Jane Major-Smith (Integration), Fay Brampton (ptPW), Rev Thayil John (IS), Rev Myles Elton (YM), Peter Lenehan (YI), Jenny Horsley (CM), Hayley Macfarlane (ptPC), Ruth Langton (ptCC), Ruth Barnes (I), Jordan McIntosh (I), Jack Thomas (I), Adele Peteranec (A):** Praise God for our **410 Interns**; for their passion to serve God, as they gain experience, exploring what it might mean to work in F/time or P/time ministry positions in the future. Pray for the continued raising up of funds to support them in their roles. Pray for our inaugural **National Grandparent Conference**; that those who attend will be encouraged & resourced in what it means to have a continuing influence across generations. Pray for the vision for this annual Conference to have an expanding influence in our local community and beyond. Pray for our **Mission Team** heading across to Fiji & Tonga in July; for humble hearts that draw strength & confidence from God as they train locals in how to share their faith; that through this equipping, God in His mercy would bring many to faith in both nations. Pray for our **World Missions Conference** in August; that God would use it to excite & remind us that our mission efforts & support is not only to our local neighbours, but to our 'neighbours' across the nations.

**DAY 26:**

**GERRINGONG: Rev Andrew & Liz Glover, Rev Jon & Fiona Clare (AM), Kaylie Thomson (ptCM), Simon Godden (ptComs):** Please give thanks: for an encouraging Easter, growing enthusiasm for evangelism, Parish Council & Committees; children's, for youth and family ministries; developing focus on our mission. Please pray: for prayerfulness, spiritual growth & evangelistic enthusiasm; outreach; through children's & family ministries; development of pastoral care & welcoming; consistent attendances; energy, unity & joy in service; maintenance and property development progress.

**HARBOUR CHURCH SHELLHARBOUR: Rev Rob & Cass Sharp, Rev Tom & Madeline Batty (AM):**

**JAMBEROO: Rev Jodie & Mandy McNeill, Rev Graham & Leslie Errington (SAM), Val O'Regan (PA), Jemimah McNeill (Y13):** Praise God for the many new families at our 5pm Saturday service, and for the buzz we enjoy in hearing the sound of so many kids around the church. Praise God that our new Parish Council has many recent church members as part of the new era of our church. Praise God that the 'staff vision fund' is now starting to receive gifts, and ask that God might provide us with the resources and the right person to join our team to help us part-time with the new children and youth in our church. Praise God for the great time on our recent Weekendaway, and give thanks to him for the gospel growth through the preaching on the Reformation over the past few months, especially through the nine-week series on Galatians. Pray for Jodie as he works with the churches in our Mission Area as we plan our part of Mission 2018.

**DAY 27:**

**KEIRAVILLE: Rev John & Janine Reed, Owen Silvester (ptYM), Dianne Arnold (A):**

**KIAMA with MINNAMURRA: Rev Stephen & Nicola Stanis, Rev Chris & Alysia Anstiss (AM), Vacant (SenAssoc), Rev Steve Inman (YM), Vacant (C&FM), Rachel Aitken (COM), Michele Thornton (A), Jacob Mierendorff (Y13):** Pray for: the second term of a new Sunday gathering now called Explore@4, that they would become salt and light to all who join; for the team preparing to minister with our Mission partner IGL in India; for the fruit of changed lives through the opportunities of the weekly ministry that the Children's Youth and Seniors Programs in the Church Point Centre enable. The new leadership structures that align us with a discipleship focus will take hold across the whole Church.

**MISSION TO SEAFARERS: John Kewa (Lay Chaplain), Volunteers:**

**DAY 28:**

**OAK FLATS: Rev Jodie & Mandy McNeill, Rev Simon & Amy Chaplin (AM), Val O'Regan (PA), Jemimah McNeill (Y13), Vacancy (MTS):**

Thanks to God for the power of his word as we have been challenged through the Reformation sermon series on the Five Solas, and now our nine-week series in Galatians. Praise God that people are becoming Christians as his Spirit moves them to know true grace. Thanks to God for our recent Weekendaway with Peter Jensen, and the joy of fellowship across the generations. Praise God for the steady trickle of newcomers, and for those who have joined us in recent months. Pray that our connections with the local bowling club and the upcoming Oak Flats street fair will see us have many opportunities to connect with our community for Christ. Pray that the launch of a Roman Catholic Ministry Taskforce with Mark Gilbert will lead us to many fruitful discussions about Jesus. Pray for stronger connections between the midweek kids and youth programs, and the Sunday services. Pray for wisdom as we reconsider the challenge of intergenerational ministry. Pray for Jodie as he works with the churches in our Mission Area as we plan our part of Mission 2018.

**PORT KEMBLA/WARRAWONG: Rev Michael & Vanessa Turner, Rev Tim & Biana Riley (ptAM), Nada Appleby (SLW):** We continue to pray for the saints at Port Kembla and Warrawong, in their effort to reach out to the parish. Thanks be to our gracious Father for continued growth and new people joining and investigating Jesus. We thank our heavenly Father for the appointment of an assistant minister from June, and ask that it would provide increased opportunities for evangelism, training, discipline, pastoral care and edification.

**SCHOOLS:**

**TIGS: Stephen Kinsella (HS), Rev James Rogers (SC), Rev Mark Grieve (AsstSC):** Give praise: for the great community effort to make the TIGS Great Fete such a success and God's kindness in providing great weather for us; for God's gracious provision for us as a School in so many ways; for the opportunity for our Headmaster Stephen Kinsella to take a Sabbatical in the first part of Term 2 and for the faithful service of Judi Nealy as Acting Head. Pray: that we might provide our students with a penetrating Christian Education that will be transformative for them and the world that they seek to serve; that all of our School's policies, practices and procedures would be pleasing to God and faithful to his word; that our staff would never tire of doing good in the name of the Lord Jesus.

**Shellharbour Anglican College: Tony Cummings (HS), Dan Odell (CH):**

Shellharbour Anglican College is now in our second decade serving the Illawarra region. Over the recent holidays just under 60 students, past students, staff and their families attended our seventh annual service learning trip to Gilgandra. Hard work, great companionship and some challenging formal and informal conversations saw many students wrestling with what it means to serve and the reality of a living relationship with God. Please pray for those students as we plan for and implement a Christianity Explored follow-up program. Please also pray for our partnership with Compassion and our planning for our first trip to Thailand later this year to meet children sponsored by families, staff, faculties and House groups.

**DAY 29:**

**SHELLHARBOUR CITY: Rev Michael & Alison Blake (L), Rev Jon & Sarah Thorpe (from July), Rev Matt & Gemma Bartlett (AM), Amanda Grace (ptCM), Peter Stacey (ptE&PW), Jo Norfolk (ptA), Yvette Torr, Marguerite Robson (ptCCH), Ryan Forsyth, Ben Robson, Luke**

**Williamson (Yr13):** Give thanks for the appointment of Jon Thorpe as Senior Minister at Shellharbour City Centre Anglican Church. Pray for Jon and Sarah, and their three children Lucie, Annabelle and Matthew as they prepare to move and join us in July. Thanks for the youth who attended KYCK recently and pray that they continue to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. Thank God for our Link Missionaries Malcolm and Charissa Forrest and their children, Aidan, Sasha and Toby and for their deputation in July. Pray that this is a time of refreshment and encouragement for them and that we will renew our commitment to support them and that God would raise up more labourers for his harvest from among our congregations.

**ST PAUL'S SHELLHARBOUR: Rev Nigel & Lyndal Parker, Vacant (C&YM), Belinda Hudson (ptS), Glenis Boyle (ptA):** We thank God for his many provisions for us as a body in our Lord Jesus Christ. We are thankful that our change of service times has progressed well – our 8am service has now shifted to 9am and the new 5pm service 'St Paul's@5' is settling well. Pray that the Lord would draw more families to these services as we gather. We would also ask for prayer as we seek a new children's and youth minister at this time, that the Lord would raise a person with passion to share Jesus with our children and youth. Please also pray for the parish as the Parker's depart for long service leave (July-Oct), and for Rev Rob Stubbs who will be our locum during third term.

**DAY 30:**

**UNIVERSITY MINISTRY: UOW - Rev Rob Copland (CH), Richard Chin (AFES), Jeanette Chin (WM), Matthew Meek (IS), James Kerr (T), Irwan Lee (E), Jon Baird (IS), Joe Radkovic (V), Caitlin Macmillan, Amy Mackenzie, Varun Varghese, Divya Jacob, Owen Silvester, James Chen & Adam Friend (MTS):**

**WEST WOLLONGONG: Rev Peter & Anna Hutchinson, Rev Craig & Corinne Langstaff (AM), Ed & Jess Sowden (ptYM), Kaitlyn Dixon (ptCM), Rev Neil & Margaret Brain (HonptSenM), Matt & Elizabeth Carmody (MTS), Elise Thompson (MTS), Liz Stark & Janet Hunt (A):** We give thanks for the growth and service of Ruth Lee who completed her traineeship and ask your prayer for her in the present and that her future life and ministry will be a blessing to many. Ask the Lord to give us zeal and love as we persevere in ministry among our neighbours and press on with the building project so that we will be transformed in his likeness as he is glorified among us.

**WOLLONGONG: Rev Sandy & Karyn Grant, Rev Liam & Liz Shannon (AM), Rev Jon & Morwenna Baird (ptAM&AsstCHUoW), Andy & Kim Stevenson (Y&CM), Stacey Chapman (ptWM), Bp Reg & Dorothy Piper (ptSenAM), Joe & Sue Radkovic (ptE), Josh Hayward (ptYT), Lauren Russell (ptCOM), Julie Clark, Maria Kerr, Samantha Johnson & Pauline Eaton (ptA):** Thank God for how our new 11am Easy English congregation launched, and for the shift of 10am to 9:30am. Praise God for unity in contending for the faith of the gospel and looking to the needs of others. Ask God's Spirit to work among ESL contacts, and also among those who attended Simply Christianity. As our ministry focus moves from Evangelism (term 2) to Establishing believers (term 3), please pray for efforts encouraging people in personal prayer and Bible reading and for strengthening relationships (Marriage Course, DivorceCare and parenting seminars).

**DAY 31:**

**REGIONAL CHURCH FAMILY:** Pray and give praise for our Regional Church family, in particular our church families in each parish. May we reflect God's light of love to all those who walk in the darkness around us. Also give thanks and pray for our Archbishop Dr Glenn Davies, his Assistant Bishops, and other staff in "Head Office" as they lead and support the ministry of our Lord's gospel message throughout the Diocese.

**ABBREVIATIONS:**

**A** Administration; **AAM** Acting Assistant Minister, **AdM** Administration Manager; **AR** Acting Rector; **AM** Assistant Minister; **ACF** Assistant Children's & Families; **ACH** Assistant Chaplain, **ACM** Assistant Children's Minister; **CA** Creative Arts (& Worship), **CF** Children & Families, **CH** Chaplain, **CM** Children's Minister; **CMI** Children's Ministry Intern; **CPE** Clinical Pastoral Education, **COM** Communications, **CRO** Community Relations Officer; **E** Evangelist; **EM** Executive Manager; **FM** Family Minister; **GAI** Graphic Arts Intern; **HC** Head of Campus, **HCA** Healthcare Chaplains Association, **HJS** Head Junior School, **Hon** Honorary, **HR** Human Resources, **HS** Head of School, **IS** International Students, **KC** Kid's Church, **L** Locum; **LSL** Long Service Leave; **LM** Lay Minister; **M** Music; **MA** Ministry Apprentice; **Mis** Lay Missionary; **MTS** Ministry Training Strategy; **pt** Part time; **PA** Personal Assistant; **PC** Pastoral Care, **PW** Pastoral Worker; **SAM** Senior Assistant Minister; **S** Scripture; **SC** School Chaplain; **Sch** School Ministry, **SGM** Small Groups Minister; **SenM** Senior's Ministry; **SG** Small Groups **SLW** Stipendiary Lay Worker; **SM** Student Minister; **SS** Site Supervisor; **T** Technology, **TSS** Technical & Site Supv, **WM** Women's Minister; **WPC** Women's Pastoral Care, **YAM** Young Adults Ministry; **YC** Youth Ministry Co-ordinator; **YI** Youth Intern; **YM** Youth Minister; **YT or Y13** Youthworks Trainee.



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