

# WOLLONGONG REGIONAL PRAYER DIARY



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**1 SEPTEMBER —31 NOVEMBER 2017**

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### WOLLONGONG REGIONAL MINISTRIES

#### **DAY 1:**

**BISHOP Peter & Julie Hayward:** Give thanks for God's sustaining grace through a complex time over the last few months and for the reminder that God's mercy is sufficient for each new day. Pray for planning for the 2018 Regional Mission, that God would be so kind as to save hundreds through the efforts of our churches and organisations. Pray that Julie and I would continue to grow more like Jesus.

**ASSISTANT TO BISHOP Tony & Judy Willis:** (Chairman, Sydney Anglican Schools Corporation): Give thanks for a great break and holiday in Central Australia in July. Pray for Tony's role chairing the Anglican Schools Corporation Board as we finalise and implement a governance review of the Corporation. Pray for the ongoing coordination of 20 building programs in churches across the Region - all in different stages of size, complexity and planning/development.

**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. Give thanks for the teaching from God's word at the Regional Men's Day in June and SWITCH (Southern Regional women's) conference in August.

**DAY 2:**

**ANGLICARE WOLLONGONG REGION: Matt Harden (Regional Manager, Wollongong & Shoalhaven):**

**ANGLICARE CHAPLAINS & CHAPLAINCY TEAMS:**

**Rev Ian Rienits (Hospitals) - Ray Beckman (South Coast Correctional Centre):**

**DAY 3:**

**ANGLICARE COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAMS: Maria Orr (Snr Program Mgr), Debbie Magyar & Michelle Wozatka (Program Mgrs) & Teams:**

Praise God that in our Community Care Programs we can express our love for Jesus by walking with people through challenging times. Pray that our staff will wisely use their knowledge and skills to assist individuals, couples and families to improve their relationships and strengthen their family life. Pray for wisdom for Anglicare staff as we work with families impacted by Domestic Violence and as we support and provide advice to parishes on this important issue. We give thanks that we could celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Family Relationship centre and pray for staff and the families that we work with. We continue to pray for the Men's Behaviour Change program as we launch our first group. We pray for the workers and the men involved that we will have a positive impact on them and their families.

**Partnership Development—Dianne Hillier:** Continue to give thanks to God for the growing relationship between parishes and Anglicare. Please pray we follow God's lead as we seek to play an appropriate part alongside parishes in the lead up to, and following Wollongong Mission 2018. Pray for the growth of Mobile Community Pantries and their effectiveness reaching communities in Sutherland, Macarthur and the Illawarra, and that we continue to digest the lessons of the "Church in Hard Places" seminar from VBC and 20Schemes.

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

**Bomaderry:** That the shop will continue to shine God's love and hope into the local community.

**Campbelltown:** Pray for the new Community Pantry initiative which is being trialled at the shop – that it will extend our reach of care into the community.

**Narellan:** Praise God for providing a new shop in the Narellan Town Centre and for renewed links with the Narellan church!

**Wollongong:**

**DISASTER RECOVERY: Esther Singenstreu (DR Mgr), Doug Philpott (Regional Coordinator – volunteer):** Give thanks for the great relationship Anglicare has with its Community Partners. Give thanks for the readiness of our volunteers to respond to extraordinary events. Give thanks for the fellowship and development afforded via the recent team leaders meeting. Please pray that our volunteers remain well as they train and wait to be called.

**DAY 4:**

**ENGLISH FOR LIFE:** Give thanks for the Anglicare ESL Training Day at Glenwood in July. The Archbishop encouraged and reminded the teachers and helpers from our region that God is the author of language. Continue to pray that our ESL teachers and helpers will be able to teach English to their students to the best of their ability, be committed to reading the Bible in ESL classes and help someone hear God speak to them.

Classes are at Bulli / Keiraville / Wollongong / West Wollongong / Warrawang / Campbelltown / Ingleburn / Nowra / Jannali / Gymea / Menai / Miranda / Sylvania.

**MARY ANDREWS COLLEGE: Rev Jackie Stoneman (Director of Studies) and Staff:** Please pray for students as they complete assignments and seek to apply what they are learning to their lives and ministries. Please pray for planning for 2018 as we seek to develop a flexible timetable that will enable greater access to courses.

**MOTHERS' UNION: Joan Tasker (VP Wollongong Region):** Please thank God for all our MU members who faithfully visit new mums in our hospitals. Please pray that new mums may see the love of Jesus reflected in those visiting them. May a seed be sown that will cause them to think of spiritual things and even read the St Luke's Gospel and other literature that they are given. Would you pray for wisdom for us as we, before God, seek to know the way forward with the future of the ministry of offering morning tea at Port Kembla family court - with so few of our ladies able to be involved in this ministry now.

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

**RFS (Rev Robert & Jenny Stubbs):** Pray for the Fire season. Specifically, we ask that all churches pray for the Season starting on October 1<sup>st</sup> through to March 31<sup>st</sup> – for safety of all Emergency Services during this period. Give thanks for the opportunities for contacting RFS personnel and that Christ's message is clearly spoken when opportunities arise.

**YOUTHWORKS TRAINING: Vacant (HS SRE & Youth Advisor), Rev Tim Beilharz (Children's Ministry & Primary SRE Advisor):**

**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 the great leadership of our Youth minister Tim and his wife Naomi, pray that they will know God's direction and provision as they prepare go to Moore College next year. Pray that God will fill our need and provide the right person as a replacement. Pray for God's word and love to impact many lives at our Kid's Holiday Club in September. Pray for wisdom in planning a new Worship Centre that will meet our future needs.

**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), Jasmine Blencowe (Y13):** Praise God for the time we were able to spend with Nathanael Girges (Year 13), and for all that he was able to learn at Youthworks. Please pray that Nathanael might use his knowledge and skills to encourage the saints and further the gospel at his home church in Germany. Pray for Jason Moss and his team at St Andrew's Airs as they continue to reach out to the community. Pray particularly for the Community BBQ on 24<sup>th</sup> September, that many people from the growing new suburb of Newbrook would come along and connect with the church as a result.

**COBBITTY: Rev Dave & Jo Barrie, Leah Dyason (Y&CM), Vacant (A):** Give thanks for the ministry of Rev. Rob Barrie who served as locum whilst the Dave was on Long Service Leave. Give thanks for strong growth at the evening service and pray that those who have recently joined us will integrate. Pray that we will connect well with new residents as we hand deliver welcome packs to them throughout the year. Pray for our 190th Celebrations in October as we seek to raise the profile of our church in the community. Pray for the men's Beef and Bonfire outreach in September.

**DAY 6:**

**DENHAM COURT: Rev Nigel & Janene Webb, Vacant (A):**

**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 that He has supplied the \$60k that enables Steve Thurgar (current Student Minister) to be employed 4 days/week next year as an Evangelist. Please pray that more money will come in, to enable a full time role, and that through Steve many more in our area will be saved and equipped to spread the Word. Please also pray for Youth Mega Day (23/9), Mega Camp (17-19/11) and our 'Big Picture' series (21/10 to 11/11) to further grow the gospel in our area, for God's praise alone.

**GLENQUARIE: Rev David & Jacqueline Ould, Rev Stu & Trudi Woods, Jacquie Kinsey (Break the Cycle), Hayley Boag & James Vigar (SM), Vacant (A):** Pray for church as they make plans for a change of ministry in 2018. Pray for a smooth transition for David, Jacqui and family as he begins a role in Parramatta in the New Year and for Jacquie Kinsey as she moves to the south coast. Give thanks for an excellent year of training courses with many members equipped and encouraged for evangelism.

**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):** Give thanks for the first 6 months at Hope. Praise God for those who have come to Christ in the last few months and will be baptised in October. Pray for those who are considering the claims of Jesus at our Fresh Look course. Pray for those returning to church after years away. Give thanks for those who have prayed for us, given to support our work and for those who have moved house and home to plant Hope Anglican Church. Please pray as we build towards our December Mission with an NTE Mission Team joining us. Pray for those new to the faith would be grow to maturity in Him and that we would continue to raise up leaders to teach and equip others. In particular pray for our Kids Ministry as it expands quickly and the need to find, equip and encourage new leaders.

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

**DAY 8:**

**MENANGLE: Rev Chris & Judy Moroney, John Costin (SM), Brian Peacock (A):** Give thanks for the contacts through the special Bellingrings service at St James. Give thanks for the growing number of contacts at the retirement village, Durham Green. Pray for growing contacts and pastoral care for the members of the Rural Fire Service and the Harness Racing Industry. Pray for our need for a part-time children's worker in the parish. Pray for our plans to construct a small hall on site, with heritage constraints.

**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, Julie McGilvray (AdM), Meagan McGilvray (SM), Rachel Snell, Wendy Thomas & Heidi Longley (A):** Thank God for the ministry of Chris Conyers and pray for his family as they seek a new position. Give thanks for Heidi and Wendy joining our team as Julie prepares to relocate to the South coast. Pray that through these changes, we would be prayerful, we would proclaim Jesus and we would love one another. Pray that God would raise up partners in our ministry and that he would grow his church for his glory.

**DAY 9:**

**ORAN PARK (NewLife Anglican): Rev Stuart & Carolyn Starr, Rev Michael Mak (AM), Rev Geoff & Kathy Leader (AM):** Please give thanks with us for the Kids Day Camp held in July and join us in asking for the fruit of changed lives and ongoing connections with the families of the kids who came. Pray that Michael and his teams would do a great job of setting Jesus before our kids and youth on Fridays and Sundays. Pray for God's wisdom as we meet to pray and consider our areas of strategic focus for the next 5 years on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

**PICTON-WILTON: Rev Ben & Kate Boardman, Rev Phil & Pamela Parker (AM), Rev Greg Stanton (Hon), Matt & Molly Borg (SM):** Praise God for the wonderful reopening celebration at St Mark's, Picton on 23rd July, and the connections made with many visitors then and since. Pray that the final works will be completed swiftly so that the building will function well for the gathering of God's people to hear from God's Word and encourage each other! Pray for the integration of newcomers into the Wilton congregation and for upcoming evangelistic opportunities connected to the 500th anniversary of the reformation and heading towards Christmas. Pray for wise planning and preparation for reduced staffing in 2018 with Phil Parker and Matt Borg moving on.

**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 Community Connection week held from 20/8 – 26/8. Pray that our churches would continue to grow by connecting with our community, and that we'd see people come to faith in Christ. Give thanks that our partnership with Vocational Bible College has commenced well. Pray for wisdom in how to continue training up believers to better reach an unbelieving world. Pray that God would strengthen and sustain the ministry team in their service of the Gospel.

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

**Macarthur Anglican School: Dr David Nockles (HS), Rev David & Romaine Hayman (SC), Chrissy Wong (ptASC):** Praise the Lord for the Super Cru camp held in the July holidays. For the children who heard the Gospel, and for the team of leaders from Crusaders who partnered with local churches and our school. Praise the Lord for the experiences and learning to be gained by the 32 Year 6s who will go on the North Queensland Outreach (11-17 September), for their mixing with Aboriginal leaders and children, and for their own witness, especially in their generosity and in songs sung. Pray for students sitting exams (Yr 7-11 in September and Yr 12s HSC in Oct/Nov). Pray especially for those who find this a time of stress and anxiety. Pray for students and staff in Yr 7-11 as they begin a new academic year in Term 4.

**St Peter's Primary: Brendon Gorman (HS):** Give thanks for our first Whole School Service for 2017 where Senior Minister, Nigel Fortescue spoke to our community. Give thanks for the many families who attended. Pray for ongoing conversations about the truth of the Bible. Our second Whole School Service for 2017 will be held in October with Peter Tong speaking to the community. Give thanks for the selection and appointment of the next Deputy Headmaster, Mrs Michelle McDonnell. Pray for her as she leads and supports the ongoing development of the school. Pray for our Schools Council as they consider many strategic and important factors and decisions. Pray for wisdom, understanding and boldness as they govern our School. Give thanks for the excellent staff at St Peter's Anglican Primary School. For their godliness, servant hearts, focus on students and a desire to impact them. Give thanks for the many families who want to attend St Peter's Anglican Primary School.



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

**Schroder (SC):** Praise God for our student fellowship and Bible study groups operating in both the Junior School and the Senior School. Give thanks for the work of Reverend Schroder (Chaplain) and Miss Philpott (Assistant Chaplain - Junior School) for their leadership and encouragement of our Christian students. Give thanks for the enthusiasm of our Christian students as they lead these groups and for our Chapel Band for the ministry they give as they lead the College staff in our praise each Friday morning. Pray for our Year 12 students as they prepare for the HSC and make decisions relating to future studies and careers. Give thanks for the interest shown in the Year 13 program by past and present students and pray for those who are considering this as an option in 2018. Pray for the students in Year 12 who have not yet committed their lives to Christ – that they will continue to be challenged to develop a relationship with Christ. Continue to pray for our Christian staff, students and their families that they remain faithful to God and for families in the College community who are facing grief, serious illness and other difficulties.

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

**(ActHS):** Praise God for: Over 145 new students commenced at the College in 2017 with no sign of slowing. Completion of the new \$1.8 Million ANZAC Memorial shelter as a fitting reminder of the price that many of our forebears were willing to pay to preserve those values that we may otherwise take for granted. Our partnership with the WACC Church and for a good working relationship with the new ministry team. Pray for: Construction the new Science Centre and Technology Centre. 2018 and the extension of the Primary years with six new primary classrooms and a 7th College library. The battle to maintain Biblical Christian values in and against a society that is placing less value on the things we hold as absolute truth.

**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):** Pray for our upcoming Explaining Christianity course in October-November. Pray that God would bring many along to hear the gospel and be saved. 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 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 Jess & Denise Larrea (AR):** Please pray for the Parish Council and Nominators as they work towards finding a suitable person to be the Rector. Pray for patience and a continued sense of unity for the congregation in this interim period.

**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):** Give thanks that the WACC congregational structural changes are going well and pray for Rev Jim Dayhew as he commences ministry with them. Continue to pray for our Nominators as they seek a new Rector for the Parish. Also pray that we will grow as a Gospel-centred Church and pray for wisdom as we plan for the 2018 Regional Mission.

**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):** Praise God for our volunteers who work in the local schools sharing the Gospel. Pray for our Parish Council as they develop our Towards 2020 strategy. Pray for a great time of fellowship and learning for our Youth on their Youth Spring Camp in September and our church camp in December this year.

**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 for the unity among the staff and for the Parish Nominators who visit churches each Sunday, pray they will make wise and unified decisions and the one chosen will be willing to accept the offer and come to St Jude's. Thank God for the ministry of Stephen and Sharon Fifer and pray for them in their final few months with the Parish. Pray for their future direction which includes the care of their mothers.

**CULBURRA BEACH: Rev Paul & Ingrid McPhail, Rev Sue Fisher (ptAM):** Pray for boldness, patience and love as we connect with our community, especially in the lead up to mission 2018. Give thanks for our Op Shops new larger premises and pray for fruitful gospel work through this ministry. Give thanks and pray for The Vine Project Team as it builds toward faithful disciple making throughout our church and community. Give thanks for the safe arrival of Betsy Grace McPhail and pray for her upbringing in the Lord Jesus.

**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 members 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):** Flu has affected the church a lot in the last month or so – please pray for improved health for our leaders and families. Shortly we will be reworking our 10am family service and outreach to families in Kangaroo Valley; pray for our continuing preparation and planning for this. Our church is holding a gospel outreach service as an official activity on the program of the Kangaroo Valley Folk Festival in October – please pray for good preparation for the musicians and speaker. Andrew, Cecily and the family will be taking long service leave from this November to the end of January 2018. Thank God for Bishop David Mulready being willing to serve as locum until their return; please pray for David's ministry in KV and for a refreshing time away for the Patersons.

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

**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):** At our church in recent months we have had a number of complex pastoral situations. Please pray that we will be able to care for people in a loving Christ centered way. Give thanks for the number of new people who have joined our church this year through outreach events. Pray that we will be able to help them integrate well into our church.

**NOWRA: Rev Geoff & Anne Thompson, , Rev Jai & Christine McMordie (FM), Kath Emerson (Community Care), Rev Josh & Brittany Murphy (C&YM), Jan Booth (A), Rev Gilbert & Ruth Page (Past Care), Rev Ray & Sue Beckman (CH):**

**ROBERTSON: Rev Graham & Michelle Thomas, Kirrilee Bracht (A):** We're thankful to God for new people joining our services and for those investigating Jesus. It's been a great encouragement to hear of church members sharing their faith with others in the community. Please pray for our small groups leaders, especially new small group leaders as they start new groups. Pray that they would be equipped to teach God's word, encourage others in it and love their groups with the love of Jesus. Please pray for our upcoming Church Weekend Away in October and also for our evangelistic event in September. Pray that many would come and people will invite their friends to hear the good news of Jesus. Please pray for our integration of new members and that our more established members would welcome others with love and generosity. Finally, we are continuing our search for a youth/children's worker, please pray for God's provision.

**DAY 16:****SCHOOLS:****Tudor House: Anni Sandwell (HS):****Nowra Anglican College: Lorrae Sampson (Exec Principal), David Hamaty (Dep. Principal), Susan Pearson (Head JS), Rev Jim****Dayhew (SC), Debra Baker (ptAC):** Give thanks for the many good gifts and blessings that God has given us as a College community. Please pray for Jim Dayhew as he moves to parish ministry at Wollondilly. Pray that we will find the right person to fill the role of Chaplain in the school. Pray for those families and staff members who are experiencing difficulties, particularly significant health challenges.**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. Give thanks for the life and ministry of the late Rev David Woodbridge who partnered with Aboriginal people in the ministry of the gospel, with CMS in the Northern Territory and in his ministry over many years in Nowra.**SHOALHAVEN HEADS: Rev Anthony & Jude Douglas, Amanda****Stavert (Y&CM):** Give thanks for new faces at church, and their willingness to serve. Pray for our Weekend @ Home in mid-September, and for Mick Bullen our speaker. Pray also for solid preparation for outreach opportunities being planned around Reformation Day and Christmas. Give thanks for the earnest faith of some of the unchurched kids who have grown to love God through our children's ministries, and pray that their faith would take deep root and continue to grow.**DAY 17:****SUSSEX INLET: Rev Marty & Vivien Davis:** Give thanks: for those who serve in ministry; for those who give faithfully and regularly; that our giving has improved and stabilised. Please pray: for our review of Sunday Live, an outreach event at the RSL, and ask that God would show us where to next with this ministry; for our various efforts to connect with our local community (youth ministry, board games, women's movie nights, community BBQ); for greater awareness of opportunities for one-to-one evangelism; for opportunities with young families in the community through our Playtime; that we can raise sufficient funds to purchase a rectory.

**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 a wonderful Explorers Holiday Kids' Club – great time of learning and fun with unbelievably well behaved and polite children. Pray for Reformation 500 commemorations – especially our Reformation Dinner on 27 Oct and for guest speaker Marge Mills. Pray about accommodation needs for our children and youth ministry at Bundanoon (we need a hall).

**ULLADULLA: Rev Ross & Leanne Maltman, Rev Dave & Jane Saunders (ptAM), Vacant (A):** Give thanks: for our gracious Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ; for the wonderful servanthood of many lay members across the parish; for our Bible study group leaders & other ministry leaders and respective group members as they continue ministering for God's glory; for the smooth transition of Dave, Jane & boys (*Bob & Gaige*) into our parish; for the positive outcome of our 'Mystery Progressive Lunch' across the parish. Please pray: for the importance of walking inline with God's Word, especially during hot national topics; for the preparation & activation of bridge building/evangelistic opportunities during our Family Fun Day (Sep); Golf Day (Sep); Recycle Market (Nov); & Mens' Evangelistic Dinner' (Nov); for Dave as he oversees our 10.30am family service, and leads other ministries; for Ross to be healed from Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (*which is monitored monthly, but hasn't restricted his capacity to minister in any way*).

**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 God for the hope we have in Jesus, knowing he is preparing a heavenly home for us. Pray that staff, residents and families will put their hope in Him. Pray for Greg and Jen as they oversee village life, that they will continue to be filled with wisdom and love. Give thanks that after 13 years, the weekly 'Sunday@5' service continues to thrive and bring God glory. Pray for meaningful connections through the Spring Harvest Service on 10<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**Woolooware Shores: Greg Murphy (Mgr), Karen French (Ops Mgr); Chaplaincy Team (Woolooware Shores): Rev Garry Dawes, Marion Woodhouse;**

**Goodhew Gardens: Mark Aros (Mgr), Janmar Delicana (Clinical Leader);**

**Chaplaincy Team (Goodhew Gardens): Martin Symons—Pastoral Carers: Clint Beattie & Robyn Williams:** Praise God for His ongoing work in people's lives, to bring them to himself regardless of age or ability. Praise God for Rev Martin Symons joining the Goodhew Gardens Chaplaincy Team. Pray for him as he continues to settle in and get across all that this new Anglicare position will entail. Pray for God's wisdom as we plan the new teaching series in Daniel for Goodhew Gardens. Praise God for His working through His word, at Woolooware Shores in our series on the Reformation. This is helping people see that our relationship with Jesus is to be founded and shaped on God's word. Pray for God's wisdom for the Woolooware Shores Chaplaincy Team as they plan for 2018 that they will look to an effective program of care, teaching and outreach into the village.

**CARINGBAH: Rev Eric & Vivian Cheung, Rev Alex & Liz Zunica (AM), Rev Garry Dawes (AM Woolooware Sores Chapel), Marion Woodhouse (SLW), Jordan Smith (SLW), Matt Stanley (SLW), Amy Thomason (SLW), Rod Dale, Robyn Heeley, Nicole Smith & Tracey Watson (ptA):** Give thanks that the youth and children's ministries

continue to grow, especially that new and returning families are calling St Phil's their home. Give thanks that the pledges for 2018-19 mean we can appoint an additional assistant minister overseeing youth and young adults. Pray that God provides a suitable ministry family to join us. Pray for the continued strengthening of the ministry at Woolooware Shores Chapel – under Rev Garry Dawes. Pray for a smooth transition as Nicole Smith begins studies and ministry there in late 2017. Regarding all St Phils congregations, pray for a continued spirit of fellowship, unity and gospel ministry purpose in our church as we seek to love one another and our wider community in Christ's name.

**CHESALON LIVING: Sutherland, Jannali:**

**CRONULLA with KURNELL: Rev Rich & Juliet Wenden, Rev Peter & Lyne de Salis (AM), Robyn Masters (VolptYM), Tamara Shepherd (ptCF), Beth Gould (A):** Give thanks to God: for a flourishing community

and different opportunities to share the gospel; for our friendship and partnership with Soul Revival Anglican Church; for growth in our newly revitalised Youth Group; also for our volunteer youth, kids club and kids church leaders, and scripture teachers. With this growth, we pray for funding to be able to put on a full-time Childrens/Youth Minister in 2018. Give thanks for our senior saints and for their continued service and pray that they can be a great example of living the Christian life to the younger generations. Pray for the resources to maintain our ageing buildings and that the Lord will provide generous craftsmen so that funds can instead be directed to ministry; pray for our ministry to families; for our Vision team as they continue to meet to put together a plan for Cronulla & Kurnell for the next 5 years. Pray that this vision will see us bring glory to God by making disciples of Jesus and be a blessing to our suburbs.



**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):** Give thanks to God that we will grow to a full time teaching staff team of 4 next year with the appointment of a Kids Minister (announcement pending). Pray for us to be able to build up our kids' teams and families, and to be able to reach out to new families that so need Christ. Pray for our Seniors ministry. We are needing to do some restructuring to make sure we keep utilising our new retirees and to be able to reach out to Baby Boomers. We have regular church services in 3 aged care facilities & a monthly gathering mid week at church. Our early morning service is raging. Pray we lovingly pull this together for a great 2018 in Christian growth and reachout.

**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: Deep love & commitment of members; continued growth of ESL classes; for strong LIFE group membership & pastors; for wise & godly Parish Council; faithful godly aged saints. **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; more SRE teachers; 40 students to attend our annual Primary camp & be saved.

**SOUL REVIVAL CHURCH: Rev Stuart & Louise Crawshaw, Rev Matt & Lauren Redmond, Dan & Renee Gale (SM):** Please pray for our new plant, Soul Revival Woollooware that gets underway in 2018. Pray for Jai and Christine McMordie and their kids as they move back to the shire to lead the new gathering. Jai and Christine will be leaving Nowra in 4th term this year. Pray for Nowra as they look for a new assistant minister to replace Jai. Pray for the partnership Soul Revival has with Cronulla Anglican and the new relaunch of Cronulla Youth this year that we are working on together. Thank God for the growth in the group of 10 young people so far. Also pray for Stuart Crawshaw as he has begun a new role as the Chaplain to the Cronulla Sharks this year. Pray for the growth of the NRL Bible Study called the Iron Squad. Pray for the Christians in the team, particularly Jason Bukuya, Sam Tagatesi, Gerad Beale and Joseph Paulo. Also pray for our partnership with the Brewarrina Indigenous Church led by Isaac Gorden. Thank God for the 4 students who are studying with Soul Revival Berea and the Timothy Partnership for a

certificate of theology. Thank God for the establishment of a new youth group called Wot Up Squad that is fully indigenous led and that has up to 70 indigenous youth attending each week. Pray for the men's and women's Bible Studies that have been set up in the town this year.

**DAY 20:**

**HELENSBURGH & STANWELL PARK: Rev Steve & Kelly Carlisle, Rev Matt & Alicia Hall (AM), Ellyce Forster (SM), Rachel Peach**

**(ptA):** Give thanks for the Baptism and Confirmation service taking place on August 24th, pray for each to grow in their faith. Give thanks for the recent series of Hot Topic nights and the way in which they have strengthened Christians and reached out to those struggling with the idea of faith. Give thanks for the recent Exploring Christianity course which had been revamped this year, pray for efficient follow up of those who attended. Pray for those in our community and church for whom there has been much grief over recent times, pray that our community may look to Jesus at a time of community grief.

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

**(A):** Give thanks for all that God provides and blesses us with. Pray that our members would live for Christ Jesus in all of life. Pray we would improve our systems for the inclusion of newcomers into church and community life. Pray that God would transform our church culture into one where disciple making is a way of life and we are prayerfully speaking and reading God's word with people. Pray we would keep the Bible central in all we do.

**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):** Thank God for his grace and favour on our behalf. Thank Him for his glorious provision. Thank him for new Children's ministry leaders. Pray that God would continue to meet our financial needs. Pray that God will provide more godly youth leaders. Pray as we try to make our Growth Groups as effective as we possibly can. Pray for our coming food, arts and music outreach activity – Springbound.

**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), Rev Jennifer Everist (PW), Russell Denton (MTS), Sharyn Perry (PA), James Peters (SM), Zack Hankin (SM), Joshua & Jordan Roberts (Y13), Gabby Pearson (A):** We give thanks for our recent Youth Camp in July holidays – *The Great Escape* – pray for many young people who attended that God's word will have a harvest in changed lives and for those who come from nonXn families, that their parents would be drawn to Christ too. We give thanks for our Staff Team and our newest members Tim & Shona Goldsmith and Sam & Jess Morton. We give thanks for their wonderful contributions already. Tim at Miranda North and Sam's Youth leadership, especially on *Great Escape* and his recent Sri Lanka mission trip with Peter Adam & Kanishka Raffel teaching local pastors in preaching. Please pray for Confirmation at the end of September and classes have commenced for Yr 10 and above. Please pray we would love our missionaries and support them well, especially John & Jodi Lovell back from Spain and visiting us this September. Please pray as we embark on a Building Renewal of our church building to increase capacity and ministry opportunities. The DA is now in council. Fundraising and building to follow shortly, God willing.

**SUTHERLAND: Rev Tom & Simone Hargreaves, Rev Andrew & Keena Hudson (Chaplain DRV), Faye & Steve Hillier (Chaplain DRV), Lyzzi Donnelly-Coode (YM), Graham Johnson (AdM), Carly Nancarrow (A):** Give thanks for our dedicated SRE Teachers and pray they will be wise and godly as they tell the gospel to the children in our local area. We pray their families will be impacted by what they are learning. Praise God for our Playtime ministry, continuing to connect with local families. Give thanks for God's provision of Lyzzi Donnelly-Coode as our Youth Worker for our youth program on Friday night and for the youth leadership team. We pray for provision of a student minister for 2018.

**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 new CMS link missionary family (Chris & Stef Overhall) as they visit our church (15-22 October); for our Parish Council as it works with our staff to review our mission; for the Charleston family as Mark takes LSL for a few weeks from mid-November; for a 2nd student minister for 2018; for the development of our young adult ministries and younger leaders; for 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):**

**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: Support Staff: Registrar: Renee Gale, Accounts Administrator: Theny Johnston, Venue Manager: Jason Arthur, Caterer: Esther Croft:** Thank God for a good group of students who are involved in ministries while they study; and for a successful location change to Newtown for our classes. Pray for wisdom as we look to plan for next year with some staffing and programme changes imminent. Pray that the Lord will raise up more youth and children's workers to send to us for training in their ministries.

**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):** Praise God for an excellent Year 13 Fiji Mission. Pray for Year 13 Students as we enter their last term preparing them for what-come-next. Pray for Year 12 students

to complete their HSC and then choose a year to grow as a Christian in Year 13 before they grow in any other way post school.

**DAY 23:**

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

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

**ALBION PARK: Rev Steve & Trish Roberts, Rev David & Janelle Trail (AM), Natasha Hansen (PC), Lin George & Beryl Nash (A):** Give thanks for the seven new families who attended our recent newcomers afternoon tea. Pray they continue to settle in well and feel at home at APAC. Pray for wisdom and boldness for church members to be willing to speak to their neighbours and friends in the lead-up to Christmas. Regarding new housing development at Calderwood - pray for the completion of a Welcome brochure from the local evangelical churches to be given to new residents. Praise God that we can work together as churches. Pray for preparation and planning for our Combined Churches Carols on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Pray for the many families wanting Baptism Services in October, that their friends and families will be impacted as the gospel is proclaimed. Pray for follow up opportunities.

**ALBION PARK RAIL (Park Rail Anglican Church—PRA): Rev Neil & Kirsty Scott:** Please pray: that we would continue to seek the Lord earnestly in prayer; for God to open doors for the gospel message and empower His church at the Rail to hold out His word to our community; that He would help us to faithfully disciple the people He brings to us that the power of the Spirit would accompany the word to free people from addictions and dysfunction.

**ANGLICARE RETIREMENT VILLAGES: Dapto: Jennifer Arkwright (Mgr), Kate Gallagher (Care Mgr), Lyn Miles (PC), Rev Rick Miller (CH):** Give thanks that the recent three-day accreditation inspection went well, and that St Lukes Village can look forward to a good report. Pray that we will maintain that high standard. Pray for the roll-out of 'Christian Care' courses across all the villages and residential care homes now under the Anglicare umbrella, that all staff would come to understand the gospel basis for Anglicare's aged care work, and put it in to practice in their care for residents.

**AUSTINMER: Ven Dr Geoff & Cathy Huard (AR), Rev Paul & Zoe Gaetjens (AM), Wendy Potts (ptE), Megan Whittington (A):** Give thanks for the over 10 years ministry of Steve Dinning and the family, Anne, Jessica and Rebekah. Give thanks for the life and witness of our four congregations and the opportunities for connecting with our local community. Please pray for our nominators and their role in seeking God's man to lead the parish forward in the next stage. Pray for the present team giving leadership in the transition period. Pray for the Women's Weekend Away (Women and Girls) in mid September and for the Great Escape (Weekend Away for the Men and Boys) in mid November that there will be Christian growth in understanding, belonging and commitment.

**DAY 24:**

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

**BULLI/WOONONA: Rev Leigh & Merrilyn 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), Leanne Begg (ptCC), Cathy Wynn (A):** Give thanks for the excitement around our Community Hub, incorporating "Play and Chat" (for pre-schoolers and their carers), and for growing opportunities to connect with people within our community from all walks of life. Pray for equipping of our community to share their faith with those they meet. Pray for wisdom for Parish Council as they make decisions and pray for the provision of people and finances where needed.

**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):** Give thanks for July school holiday programs and connections made with many new families. Pray for ongoing opportunities to connect especially for Connect School Afternoon Programs in Sept and our Significant Marriage Course, the annual Patchwork, Papercraft and Art Show and our Seniors 3 Day Tour. Pray that through these events people will grow in their love and knowledge of Jesus. Give thanks for the issues wrestled with in our preaching series "Living in a Broken World". Pray for our CMS Missionaries, Haddon family who will be home on deputation in October.

**FAIRY MEADOW (CrossRoads Christian Community): Rev Roger & Leah Fitzhardinge, Ven Deryck & Glenda Howell (ptSAM), Alison Knight (ptC&YW), Alisoun Larkin (A):** Praise God with us for new individuals and families joining us on Sunday mornings and new contacts through our Friday kids and youth programs. Praise God for a number of enquirers meeting with church members. Pray they will be saved. Praise God for Alison Knight joining us for one day per week to strengthen and develop our kids and youth ministries. Pray for the preaching of Ephesians during September/October followed by a Reformation series and celebration in October/November. Pray for plans to re-commence a Sunday night gathering in February- 4<sup>th</sup> term is enlistment and training time. Pray for plans to re-commence a playgroup ministry before the end of the year and pray for Alison Knight as she drives this.

**FIGTREE: Rev Ian & Rhonda Barnett, Rev Ron & Julie Irving (AM), Karen Dixon (EM), Greg Bell (CA) Jane Major-Smith (Integration), Langdon Stewart (E), 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), Denise Roper (AO), Adele Peteranec (A):** Praise God for our recent **World Missions Conference**; an inspiring & challenging week to be more actively involved in reaching the lost through our mission partners both prayerfully & financially. Praise God for the appointment of **Langdon Stewart**, as Evangelism Director. Pray as he takes up his role in early October, for God's leading in how to best equip & mobilise the body of Christ at Figtree to a greater level of faith sharing. Pray for the up-coming **Kids' Fun Day** at end of Sept; that it would once again be an opportunity to re-engage with kids & families from past Fun Days & for connecting with new families. Pray for the organising team for the **Global Leadership Summit**; that many will take up the invitation to attend this annual event and for the significant influence it can have into the leadership of our region.

#### **DAY 26:**

**GERRINGONG: Rev Andrew & Liz Glover, Rev Jon & Fiona Clare (AM), Kaylie Thomson (ptCM), Simon Godden (ptComs):** Please give thanks for: healthy 10am and growing 7pm attendance, growing enthusiasm for evangelism, Parish Council & Committees; children's, youth and family ministries; developing focus on our mission. Please pray: for prayerfulness, spiritual growth & evangelistic enthusiasm; children's & family, pastoral care & welcoming ministries; energy, unity & joy in service; wisdom in property development planning.

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

**JAMBEROO: Rev Jodie & Mandy McNeill, Rev Graham & Leslie Errington (ptSAM), Rayne Orange (SM-Y&CM), Val O'Regan (PA), Jemimah McNeill (Y13):** Our 5pm Saturday service continues to grow, and we thank God for the many new families that are joining us regularly. We are delighted to welcome Rayne Orange as our new two-day-per-week student minister, who from October will be serving the youth and children of our parish and beyond. We thank God for all he is teaching us from 2 Samuel about his kingdom. Pray that we will be prayerful and well-prepared for 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), Sarah Nette (C&FM), Rachel Aitken (COM), Michele Thornton (A), Jacob Mierendorff (Y13):** Pray for: the upcoming series on "Convictions of a Disciple" as we work towards growing discipleship across our Church; the team that returned unable to enter India with Mission Partnership village ministry there; for Godly wisdom in the way forward for the safety of the ministry we already share in India; for the best way to engage children and families after the prayerful decision to cease "Explore@4" Sunday service ministry. Praise God: for the encouragement of maturing faith expressed in the Youth and young Adults of our Church; for the ministry and service of a number of faithful saints whom our Lord has called to himself in recent times.

**MISSION TO SEAFARERS: John Kewa (Lay Chaplain), Louise Del Rio (Office Mgr), Volunteers:** Give thanks for the ministry of the Chaplain, John Kewa and for the many volunteers who assist week by week. Give thanks for the 2500 seafarers who have visited the Mission so far this year. Pray for ongoing relationships with the Port authorities and Bluescope. For a video clip of the work of Missions around the World see: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5N-qwjgByHA>



**DAY 28:**

**OAK FLATS: Rev Jodie & Mandy McNeill, Rev Simon & Amy Chaplin (AM), Val O'Regan (PA), Jemimah McNeill (Y13), Vacancy (MTS):** It has been a joy for us to better understand the kingdom of God as we've been studying 2 Samuel together on Sundays. We are thankful to God for the progress that is being made with our Roman Catholic Ministry Taskforce, and we pray that God would help Mark Gilbert guide us in reaching this significant people group within our parish. Pray that the connection with our community will grow, especially as we take part in the new Oak Flats street fair in November. We're praying that God will help us to connect the people from midweek with our Sunday ministries, but above all, that they would become followers of Jesus. We're also getting excited about Mission 2018, and we pray that our church would be an active part of this week of gospel harvest.

**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 gracious Father for the generosity of the church folk as they have adopted our vision. We continue to thank God for the many opportunities with our children's and youth ministry, especially to the socially disadvantaged - may we be a light to them as we speak the saving words of the gospel.

**SCHOOLS:**

**TIGS: Stephen Kinsella (HS), Rev James Rogers (SC), Rev Mark Grieve (AsstSC):** Give praise: for the 10 years of dedicated service to TIGS of Headmaster Stephen Kinsella; for the way Stephen Kinsella has strengthened the School community in many significant ways during his tenure as Headmaster; for God's placement of Stephen Kinsella to the role of Executive Director of Anglican EdComm. Please pray: for Stephen Kinsella and his wife Gay as Stephen finishes as Head of TIGS in 2017; for a smooth transition for Stephen into his new role as Executive Director of Anglican EdComm; for the TIGS School Council as it seeks the next Headmaster of TIGS.

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

Shellharbour Anglican College is now in our second decade serving the Illawarra region. After a very busy Term 2 the staff met for their annual conference across three days. Dr Timothy Wright (Shore), Mrs Susan Middlebrook (Tara) and Mr Phillip Heath (Barker) addressed the topics of boys, girls and co-education respectively. They each brought much practical and Godly wisdom to their keynote addresses and workshops. Please pray for the staff as we educate in a co-educational setting while at the same time being sensitive to the boys and girls and young men and women who make up our community. Please also pray for the 62 students who will finish their Year 12 studies at the end of this term and for the opportunities that remain for us to encourage them to value faith, wisdom, compassion and respect.

**DAY 29:**

**SHELLHARBOUR CITY: Rev Jon & Sarah Thorpe, 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):**

Please pray for Jon Thorpe (and family) as he settles into his role as senior minister. Pray that Jon is a faithful leader and shepherd of the church. Pray for the church members as they look towards 2018; pray there will be a unified vision for how we can use the resources and gifts that God has given His church. Pray there will be a deep commitment to growing together and sharing the good news of Jesus in our community.

**ST PAUL'S SHELLHARBOUR: Rev Nigel & Lyndal Parker, Vacant**

**(C&YM), Belinda Hudson (ptS), Glenis Boyle (ptA):** Pray that Nigel and his family are refreshed during long service leave. Pray that the Parish will be able to secure a new Youth and Children's Worker. Pray that the home groups will continue to grow in God's Word.

**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 & Jo Copland (V), Caitlin Macmillan, Amy Mackenzie, Varun Varghese, Divya Jacob, Owen Silvester, James Chen & Adam Friend (MTS):**

Give thank for our 'Jesus Week' mission on campus (7-18 August). Pray for the 500+ who saw the Mark Drama performed by students, especially for the many visitors who came. Give thanks for the careful planning for the ECU change of name over the last year by the student committee and for the enthusiasm of so many for the new name - the Uni Bible Group. Please pray for a continued open door and for the Lord to work through his gospel to save many.

**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):** Pray as we consider establishing a new Sunday church meeting for discipleship among those who connect through the food ministry on Monday afternoons. Please pray for fundraising efforts by our MTS apprenticeships Matthew and Elise and the progress of our building detailed drawings.

**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, Samantha Johnson & Morwenna Baird (ptA):** Give thanks for those who attended the recent Marriage and Parenting courses, and ask for continued fruit in strengthened relationships. Pray for the Spirit's help in developing new habits in personal Bible reading both in private and 1-1 with others. And ask for the Ministry Boot Camp early in Term 4 to be effective in Equipping church members for growth in discipleship and for various forms of Christian service in church and community.

### **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; **AO** Accounts Officer, **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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