



# Dubbo Anglican Church

*To know Jesus and to make Him known!*

## Parish Bulletin 19 November 2023

### Welcome!

*Thank you for joining us as we worship our God and Saviour Jesus Christ! We worship on the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri people and we honour and, pay our respects to Elders past and present. We pray that you may know the presence of Gods Spirit as we gather together in Jesus name. We invite you to journey with us as we share the love of God, in Christ, to this city and the world.*

#### **From the Rector,**

This week we enjoy the ministry of the Reverend John at the services.

#### **Fun(d)raiser Thank You! Number 3b**

We have had a run of fun(d)raising efforts of late: the recent cake stall raised over \$1,800, the Op-Shop Garage Sale \$1,100, and the Wedding Dress Parade raised \$2,500 before expenses, so we estimate it raised around \$2,200! We give thanks to God for these community engagements and the finances raised. We are grateful to God, and for the people who have worked so hard to make these events so successful. THANK YOU!

#### **Farewell Lunch**

A Farewell Lunch will be held in the Church Hall on Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> of November from 12 midday. The Parish is providing BBQed sausages and those who attend are requested (if able) to bring a plate of salad or dessert. A list is available at the back of the church to indicate your attendance and what you intend to contribute to the meal.

#### **Christ the King Celebration**

I chose Christ the King Sunday for our farewell so that our farewell services would not be the Christmas services – which is not a good time to say farewell, and because a lot of people are away. The other reason being, that Christ the King is a fantastic and powerful celebration for us to “go out with a BANG”, as it puts all things into place – Jesus is the King! My hope and prayer are that our services will be a wonderful celebration of what God has done, is doing and will continue to do into the future (ETERNINTY). I hope that you can make it!

#### **Commissioning of Licenced Lay Ministers**

Next weekend, as we celebrate Christ the King, we will also be commissioning Judy Haling (Saturday 6pm) and Erika Chesworth (Sunday 10am) as Licenced Lay Ministers. What a great joy it is to see these ladies seeking to take on ministry roles in the life of the church community!

## 10am Sunday PA/Computer and Morning Tea Ministry

I am currently recruiting for these valuable and important ministries.

In Jesus, *Brett* Archdeacon Brett Watterson.

## Prayers and Readings for 19 November – Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

### Sentence

God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other. <sup>1</sup> Thessalonians 5.9, 11

### Prayer of the day

Everliving God,  
before the earth was formed,  
and even after it shall cease to be, you are God.  
Break into our short span of life  
and show us those things that are eternal,  
that we may serve your purpose in all we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### First Reading

<sup>1</sup> Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord, now that Ehud was dead. <sup>2</sup> So the Lord sold them into the hands of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. Sisera, the commander of his army, was based in Harosheth Haggoyim. <sup>3</sup> Because he had nine hundred chariots fitted with iron and had cruelly oppressed the Israelites for twenty years, they cried to the Lord for help. <sup>4</sup> Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading Israel at that time. <sup>5</sup> She held court under the Palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites went up to her to have their disputes decided. <sup>6</sup> She sent for Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him, 'The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you: "Go, take with you ten thousand men of Naphtali and Zebulun and lead them up to Mount Tabor. <sup>7</sup> I will lead Sisera, the commander of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his troops to the River Kishon and give him into your hands.'" <sup>8</sup> Barak said to her, 'If you go with me, I will go; but if you don't go with me, I won't go.' <sup>9</sup> 'Certainly I will go with you,' said Deborah. 'But because of the course you are taking, the honour will not be yours, for the Lord will deliver Sisera into the hands of a woman.' So Deborah went with Barak to Kedesh. <sup>10</sup> There Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali, and ten thousand men went up under his command. Deborah also went up with him.

Hear the word of the Lord.

### Judges 4.1–10

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 123

<sup>1</sup> To you I lift up my eyes:

you who are enthroned in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> **As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master:**

**or as the eyes of a maid toward the hand of her mistress,**

<sup>3</sup> So our eyes look to the Lord our God:

until he show us his mercy.

**<sup>4</sup> Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:  
for we have had our fill of derision.**

**<sup>5</sup> Our souls overflow with the mockery of those at ease:  
and with the contempt of the proud.**

### ***Second Reading***

### **1 Thessalonians 5.1–11**

<sup>1</sup> Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, <sup>2</sup> for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup> While people are saying, 'Peace and safety', destruction will come on them suddenly, as labour pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup> But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup> You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. <sup>6</sup> So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. <sup>7</sup> For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. <sup>9</sup> For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>10</sup> He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. <sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

Hear the word of the Lord.

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### **Gospel Reading – Matthew 25.14–30**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mathew Chapter 25, beginning at verse 14

#### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>14</sup> 'Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. <sup>15</sup> To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. <sup>16</sup> The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. <sup>17</sup> So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. <sup>18</sup> But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup> 'After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup> The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more." <sup>21</sup> 'His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" <sup>22</sup> 'The man with two bags of gold also came. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with two bags of gold: see, I have gained two more." <sup>23</sup> 'His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" <sup>24</sup> 'Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. "Master," he said, "I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. <sup>25</sup> So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you." <sup>26</sup> 'His master replied, "You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? <sup>27</sup> Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. <sup>28</sup> "'So take the bag of gold from him and

give it to the one who has ten bags. <sup>29</sup> For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. <sup>30</sup> And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

For the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Dubbo Christian Ministers Association calls all Churches to

# Pray for Revival

Wednesday 22nd November 7pm

Generocity Church Dubbo



## **ADVENT 2023**

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## SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR THANKS, PRAISE & PRAYERS TODAY & THIS WEEK

*Colossians 4:2, "Devote yourselves to prayer with an alert mind and a thankful heart."*

### Our Diocese and Parishes and people ...Praise/thank/pray...

- **All Clergy, LLM's, ALL people & ALL Parishes in our Diocese esp. those without clergy – for Cudgegong Valley** – praise/thank/pray for those who are maintaining the Parish's ministry until their new rector, Rev. Tim St Quintin, arrives in April; that Parishioners will be inspired by Holy Spirit to remain faithful to Jesus & continue their witness & service for Him!
- **Our own Parish** – praise/thank/pray for Archdeacon Brett, Rev. Michelle, Rev. John & Dee, Rev. Ray & Lyn, Rev. Cathy & Peter, Youth Minister Lizzie, All LLMs & all ministry teams; for Therese & her vital ministry at Anglicare. Pray that more people in Dubbo will come to know Jesus as Lord & Saviour & take their part in building up His Kingdom. Pray for the Thornhills in their preparation to come to Dubbo. *Psalm 89:1-2, "I will sing of the Lord's unfailing love forever! Young & old will hear of Your faithfulness. Your unfailing love will last forever. Your faithfulness is as enduring as the heavens!"*

### Our Parish...praise/thank/pray...

- **Our Parish** – praise/thank/pray that as People of the Way we be aware of God's living presence with us, that we be transformed daily through Holy Spirit & God's Word & that we daily fill our cup with the Oil!
- **Farewell for the Watterson Family, Nov. 26** – praise/thank/pray for this occasion to be one of great gratitude, fellowship & blessings; that many will be able to attend
- **All of our Young Peoples' Ministry** – praise/thank/pray for all who attend & minister to our young people, their parents & to each other; that ALL will grow & burn for Jesus!
- **Nursing Home Ministry** – praise/thank/pray for those who minister in these settings, esp. those from our Parish; for those to whom they minister; that Jesus will be real to them; that will know Him as their Saviour.
- *Psalm 89:15, "Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim You, who walk in the light of Your presence, Oh Lord!"*

### Further Afield...Praise/thank/pray...

- **Israel & Gaza, Ukraine War, all Wars** – praise/thank/pray for all enduring the tragedy, destruction & devastation of these happenings. Pray as Holy Spirit prompts you. *Romans 8:26, "And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words."*
- **CBM – Nepal** – praise/thank for those supporting those still struggling in the aftermath of the earthquake in the Jajarkot district in n/w Nepal; pray for survivors to be adequately cared for there as winter sets in; for the CBM staff working there esp. in the very remote areas.

- ***If you will faith it out, pray it out, wait it out, God will work it out!"***

***Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers,***

*Brian Lovemore  
Jessica Slavin  
Cliff Burns  
Amanda Gorton  
Colin Fitzell  
Sarah Dunn  
Jo Fraser  
Jan Gorrell  
Baby Lucas Hart*

*Brian Semmler  
Leane Flynn  
Bill Fisher  
Judy Emmett  
Janey Brown  
John Lloyd  
Anne Neville  
Diane McCullough*

*Steve Honey  
Shirley White  
Lara McKenzie- Potter  
Leigh Pearse  
Lorraine Beattie  
Philip Payne  
Leah McDonald  
Toni Ross- Symthe*

*Pray for those mourning the loss of loved ones*

*Those Remembering the Anniversaries Jack Stanmore, Marie White, Gary Hands, Malcolm Keir, Eunice Graham, Robin Blekmore.*

Please join us for a

**FAREWELL**

★ **BBQ** ★

FOR

*Watterson Family*

**Sunday 26**

**November**

**PARISH HALL FROM 12MD**

Please bring either drink,  
salad or dessert to share .

*RSVP 23rd November by  
adding your name to list  
or Parish office 68844990*



## *Ladies*

*Coffee and Dessert Nights are back!!*

*Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November*

*Venue – Down The Lane*

*Time – 7.30pm*

**What you need to do** – purchase a \$5 copied Magazine by placing money into jar at back of church.

**Record** your name and phone number on the sheet.

You will receive an invitation asking if you can attend.

Thank you, Erika 0407 988 747

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### Financial Update:

My apologies for the time between updates, it's been a very busy period in the Parish. A summary of the Parish financial position for the year to date (January to October) is as follows:

- Gross Income down \$13366 to date, Total Expenses down \$840. Net Loss of \$1849 year to date. The last six months have gone financially well for us and we are close to break even, praise GOD for this.
- Op Shop income is up approx. \$8456 and the Fundraising activities have also helped a lot (as well as building community). Thank you to the fundraising and Op Shop teams.

Our giving is down a lot this year, however, the increased Op shop income and fundraising has helped cover this. Despite the escalation in many of our costs (eg power, insurances and others), we have been able to make some savings, so that overall costs are a little lower than budgeted. Parish Council are currently working on the 2024 Budget, so please pray for this as it will be a challenge. However, we know, all things are possible with GOD.

As always I am happy to answer any questions.

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## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Sunday 19 November

- 8am** Traditional Holy Communion  
**10am** Family Service, Sunday School  
**12md** Baptism of Harrison and Ashlea Skupien

### Monday 20 November

*Psalm 48, 2 Kings 19.1-20, Matthew 24.32-51*

### Tuesday 21 November

*Psalm 50, 2 Kings 19.20-37, Matthew 25.1-13*

- 9am** Morning Prayer – **Zoom**  
**10am** Elders Group in Hall

### Wednesday 22 November

*Psalm 51, 2 Kings 20, Matthew 25.14-30*

- 9am** Morning Prayer – **Zoom**  
**7pm** Pray for Revival – Generocity Church

### Thursday 23 November

*Psalm 54,55.1-12, 2 Kings 21.1-18, Matthew 25.31-46*

- 9am** Morning Prayer– **Zoom**  
**10am** Trinity Playgroup  
**7pm** DNA Youth Group

### Friday 24 November

*Psalm 56,57, 2 Kings 21.19-22.11, Mark 1.1-13*

- 9am** Morning Prayer- **Zoom**  
**10am** Holy Communion  
**1pm** Lunchtime Prayers

### Saturday 25 November

- 6pm** Holy Communion

### Sunday 26 November

- 8am** Traditional Holy Communion  
**10am** Family Service, Sunday School  
**12md** Watterson Family Farewell BBQ  
**5pm** Coboco

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Trinity KIDS Playgroup

DnA Youth Group

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