**PARISH NEWS**

 **2nd July 2017**

 **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.* Romans 6.23

**PASTORAL CARE (ST. ALBAN’S)**

A meeting of St Alban’s Pastoral Care people will be held at St. Alban’s today Sunday 2nd July 2017 at 11.00am. If you are not one of the people at St Alban’s who look after a group of people and would like to be please let me know.

We will be refreshing on what we should be doing to keep an eye on each other. We will also be re-allocating people in groups if you feel this would be more beneficial.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Clive Davies. Pastoral Care Coordinator (St Alban’s) 0412 653061.

**PARISH BARBECUE NEXT WEEK**

Don’t forget the Parish Barbecue next Sunday, 9th July, at 12 noon. Bring your own steaks or sausages and have them expertly cooked by the Parish Chefs. Or just bring your own sandwich and join in the fellowship!

**SAMARITANS SUPPLIES**

July – Toiletries such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, show gells.

The ***Chill-out breakfast program*** at Foster High needs a few more volunteers to run efficiently and Jose has prepared a power point slide which is on the PowerPoint today. For more information and to offer to be a volunteer see Heather Webster—or phone 6555 3651.

**In Our Prayers:**

**Our Parish:**

* The environment
* Please continue to pray for people with ongoing needs in your prayers each day:

*If you would like to add someone to the Parish Prayer list, be sure to obtain permission from the person concerned and then contact the Parish Office.*

**Our Diocese:**

* Assistant Bishop Peter
* The Parishes of Georgetown and Hamilton
* Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College
* Hospital Chaplaincies
* The Diocese of Armidale

**The World:**

* The Church in Nigeria (Lokoja and Owerri)
* Liz Burns (CMS Tanzania)

We commend to God’s keeping those who have recently died and we pray for those who mourn their passing. We remember with thanks those whom we have loved whose anniversary occurs at this time: **Jean Ollivier** and **Shirley Berridge.**

**COURTHOUSE ROSTER**

5th July Marge Cooper & Beryl Allen

19th July Suellen Belton & Diane Kellehear

**CONTACT DETAILS**

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**Items for Parish News:**

Email: PN@forsteranglican.com or phone Janet 6554 5981 or parish office 6555 4200 by 12noon Wednesday.

**Our Bank Details:** BSB**:** **705 077** Account: **000400710**

Acc Name: **Anglican Parish of Forster/Tuncurry**

**HELP AT MINI LUNCH**

Help is needed from one person each Mini Lunch on 2nd Wednesday of the month for 1 hour from 12 noon to assist carrying plates and using the dish washer. If you think you may be able to help to assist with this worthwhile activity, please call the Parish Office 6555 4200 between 9am and 12noon Monday to Thursday.

**REMINDERS:**

**Strollers** – Monday, 3rd July. Meet 9.30am St Alban’s car park.

**Tuncurry Friendship Group** - Wednesday, 5th July. 10.00am St Nicholas’ Church.

**Games Afternoon** – Saturday, 8th July. 1.00pm St Nicholas’ Church.

**NOTES FROM JUNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Our June Parish Council meeting was very productive and the following points were discussed:

* All churches, clergy house and the rectory have been checked for termites. Some sites will be sprayed for spiders in the coming weeks
* P. Castle has been acting treasurer due to the illness of Peter Board.
* The issue of counters for the offertory and banking was further discussed and a few assistants selected for some of the jobs.
* B. Green absent for next three weeks for leave purposes
* Helen Quinn’s upcoming ordination as Deacon.
* Emergency management folders will soon be updated.
* Format for the Think Tank Meeting(held last Sunday)discussed
* Draft submission re: St James, Bungwahl discussed and will be reviewed during July with the help of Heather Dwyer and Barry Levick.
* Two other possible suppliers to assist with kitchen renovations have been identified.
* J. Hall will investigate booking Waitoto Children’s Choir for 2018.
* D. Ovens made several enquiries about missions. Missions giving by Parish is down as compared to former years. Discussed allocated and unallocated missions. J. Hall & C. Davies to locate list of approved missions. Missions to be an agenda item at next Parish Council Meeting.

J.Hall (Secretary – Parish Council)