

WOLLONGONG REGIONAL PRAYER DIARY



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1 JUNE 2011—31 AUGUST 2011

WOLLONGONG REGIONAL MINISTRIES

DAY 1:

BISHOP Peter & Julie Hayward: Thank God for the building of relationships across the Region. Peter and Julie have enjoyed meeting many new people and growing new friendships. Pray for Peter as he travels many kilometres each week – especially for safety in travel. Pray for Peter's additional responsibilities across the Diocese as he oversees the training of clergy and lay people.

ASSISTANT TO BISHOP Tony & Judy Willis: Give thanks for ongoing relationships and family life. Thanks also for the ongoing positive feedback from the parenting book that we wrote with Youthworks. Continue to pray for Tony's balance of time across the Region and the Sydney Anglican Schools' Corporation.

WOLLONGONG REGIONAL COUNCIL: Continue to pray for the Regional Council as it re-thinks its role in supporting the Mission Areas and Mission Area Leaders. Pray for Peter Hayward as he leads the Council in its new directions.



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DAY 2:
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ANGLICARE HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS: Rev Ian Rienits & Chaplaincy Teams: Praise the Lord that we have great opportunities in our 9 Public Hospitals and a small number of Nursing Homes and a Private Hospital. Pray that the listening ear of the Chaplains will enable patients, families and staff to explore the spiritual issues raised for them by trauma and illness.

ENGLISH FOR LIFE: Pray for the ANGLICARE Training Day in Sydney on 15 July. Pray for the English for Life Coordinators who “hold this ministry together” across our parishes.

DAY 3:
MARY ANDREWS COLLEGE: Jackie Stoneman and Staff: Thank God for increased enrolments this year and the encouragement of seeing many women grow in their understanding of God’s word and practical application in their ministries. Pray for the planning that is underway for a new intensive subject in Nowra on Seniors’ ministry for later this year. Pray that many churches will take up the opportunity to encourage women to enrol in second semester subjects starting at the end of July at Dapto and the city locations.

MOTHERS’ UNION: Jan Livingstone (VP Wollongong Region): We thank God for the two MU Workers in our region, Amy Brown in Port Kembla and Dina Roki in Colo Vale. Pray that they will both reach many young families and encourage them to look at the claims of Jesus. May the members of MU and the congregations be prayerful and supportive of these initiatives. We ask too that members be continuously equipped to serve effectively in their parishes and the hospitals and courts in our region.

POLICE CHAPLAINS: Rev Steve Davis, Rev Rod Harding:

DAY 4:
SES CHAPLAINS: Rev Neil Brain:

YOUTHWORKS TRAINING: Andy Stevenson (HS SRE&Youth), Jenni Stoddart (PS SRE&Children):

WOLLONGONG: Rev Sandy & Karyn Grant, Rev Jim & Vanessa Douglass (AM), Rev Liam & Liz Shannon (AM), Juliette Antoon (WM), Bp Reg & Dorothy Piper (ptSenAM), Jon & Morwenna Baird (SM), Julie Clark, Phoebe Adams & Pauline Eaton (A): Praise God for many quiet acts of care for brothers and sisters doing it tough, and also for those who take a risk and speak up for Christ. Pray that we would grow in our ability to offer the “wounds of a friend” (Prov 27:6) and to be a positive peace-making influence in situations of conflict, following teaching on this topic at our annual church conference.

New Deacons and Rectors for 2011:

Please pray for the following Rectors new to their parish:
John Reed *Keiraville*

ABBREVIATIONS:

A Administration; **AAM** Acting Assistant Minister, **AdM** Administration Manager; **AR** Acting Rector; **AM** Assistant Minister; **ACF** Assistant Children’s & Families; **ACM** Assistant Children’s Minister; **CA** Creative Arts (& Worship), **CF** Children & Families, **CIC** Curate-in-Charge; **CM** Children’s Minister; **CMI** Children’s Ministry Intern; **CPE** Clinical Pastoral Education, **CRO** Community Relations Officer; **E** Evangelist; **EM** Executive Manager; **FM** Family Minister; **GAI** Graphic Arts Intern; **HCA** Healthcare Chaplains Association, **Hon** Honorary, **HR** Human Resources, **HSC** High School Chaplain; **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; **S** Scripture; **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.

DAY 30:

SHELLHARBOUR CITY: Rev Michael & Karen Williamson, Rev Malcolm & Charissa Forrest, Amanda Grace (CM), Rev Matt & Jemma Bartlett (YM), Peter Stacey (E), Peter Miller (AdM), Sandy Cholson (A): Pray for a great harvest from our Mission activities in Coastal Christians, Adopt-a-block, Lake Illawarra H.S., SUPA & ANGLICARE emergency food relief services. Pray for continued strength and energy for the task. Pray that Rev. Michael & Karen Williamson will settle back into parish life well after Long Service Leave. Pray that our church will grow in understanding of what it means to be disciples of Jesus and put into practice the things we are learning together.

ST PAUL'S SHELLHARBOUR: Rev Nigel & Lyndal Parker, Rev Peter & Marie Dawson (Ret), Rev Don Wilson (Ret), Belinda Hudson (ptSRE), Roger Kyngdon (SM), Glenis Boyle (A): Praise God for the contacts made through our Easter services. Pray that the congregations would be growing spiritually as we wrestle with Mark's gospel and Christianity Explored this term. Give thanks also for Geoff Chesher's (part-time children's minister) work with Children's Church at our 10am Family Service.

DAY 31:

UNIVERSITY MINISTRY: UOW - Rev Rob Copland:

WEST WOLLONGONG: Rev Peter & Anna Hutchinson, Rev Nathan & Melinda Sandon (AM), Rev Neil & Margaret Brain (ptSenM), Amy Lukins (ptCW), Deb Aitken (ptYW), Helen Stenton, Melinda Estell & Nerida DeRoy (A): We praise God for our visitors and the ministry of God's Word over Easter. We are in the process of selling a residence in order to purchase a more suitable one next to the church site. Please pray for the smooth completion of this process. We intend to provide accommodation for Christian university students. Pray that we will have wisdom in setting this up, that we will have an effective ministry to students, and that we will be sensitive and obedient to God's purposes. Please uphold our ministry staff in prayer:

MISSION AREA: Camden-Campbelltown**DAY 5:**

MISSION LEADER: Rev Deryck Howell:

CAMDEN: Rev Tony & Debbie Galea, Rev Paul & Zoe Gaetjens (AM/YM), Jeremy Pennington (AM—Mt Hunter), Karina Edgerton (CM), Debbie Bannister (PW), Pat Burnett & Trish Harley (PC), Lyndall Nurse (PC&SG), Debbie Galea (M&WM), Marilyn Clarke & Brian Peacock (A): Thank God for Women's Church and the conversions from this outreach into our community. Please pray for our Youth Group camp and the school missions. Pray for Tony & Paul as they lead our congregation.

CAMPBELLTOWN: Rev Nigel & Nicky Fortescue, Rev Stuart & Cathy Grant, Rev Leanne Burns (AM), Mark Schroder (Y&CM), Simon Twist (SM), Amanda Nash (A):

DAY 6:

DENHAM COURT: Rev Nigel & Janene Webb (CIC), Vacant (A): Give thanks for the enthusiasm & growing maturity of new Christians in our church. Pray that will continue. Pray for those who recently went through a gospel course that they would respond in faith.

EAGLE VALE: Rev Craig & Sandra Hooper, Rev Trent & Catherine Sutcliffe (AM), Matt Stanley (ptYW), Tamara Taylor (YM), Matt Carmody (Y13), Jenny Blackburn (A): Give thanks for the open doors for the gospel we have in our area, and pray for more of them and enough workers to go through them. Pray for our Kids Holiday Club for K-Yr 6 on Wednesday 13th to Friday 15th and Sunday 17th July, that is well organised and attended and used by the Lord to impact many kids and their families for Christ.

GLENQUARIE: Rev Stephen & Karen Swanepoel, Michael Kinsey (ptYW), Seumas McDonald (ptYW), Kathryn Southwell (FM), Debbie Roake (Break the Cycle), Lucy Finnigan (A):

DAY 7:

INGLEBURN: Rev Joe & Alison Wiltshire, Simon Hingston (ptE), Andrew Hall (MTS), Jason Craig (Y13), Margaret Wilson (A): We give thanks for successful Easter Convention. Second term has been busy. This is our Outreach Term with a number of big events and follow-up of new contacts. We give thanks for the many visitors, family and friends who have come along. Please pray for property development works which we hope will commence soon.

MACARTHUR FAMILY CHAPEL: Vacant, John & Wendy Clarke (LM), Rex Harris (PW):

MACARTHUR INDIGENOUS ANGLICAN CHURCH: Pastor Michael & Mary Duckett: We ask God for wisdom & guidance as we begin a ministry partnership between Macarthur Indigenous Church and St Peters of Campbelltown, that we may be unified in the one Spirit. That the discipleship program of our church will help us become more mature in our faith & walk with God, as we become one in Christ. That we as a church would be actively out there making disciples of all nations, making use of every opportunities to share the gospel message.

DAY 8:

MENANGLE: Rev Steve & Ros Davis, Janine Foat (SLW), Brian Peacock (A): Please pray: for the settling-in period for Steve Davis and the church; that Sunday meetings would reflect God's love and majesty; for preparation of couples presenting for weddings and baptism; that they would come into the obedience of faith in the gospel; for outreach to Menangle Park.

MINTO: Rev Chris & Jenny Hanger, Rev Matthew & Jessica Bales (AM), Evelyn Nicholls (Op Shop), Andy Grady (Y), Angela Bailey (A):

KIAMA with MINNAMURRA: Rev Stephen & Nicola Stanis, Rev Michael & Rosa Wells (AM), Rev Neil Matheson (Hon), Steve Inman (YM), Deb Baker (CF), Lyn Elsholz (SenM), Marguerite Robson (A): Please pray for: the unity of the Church with Vision Sunday and preaching series on "What makes a great Church"; the in-house weekend with Bp Peter Hayward speaking on "Church...more than just a club"; the Discipleship Explored Course growing a heart for discipleship across the Church. Please give praise for: new members adding vitality and gifts for ministry within the Church; the growing attitude of willingness to serve amongst many.

MISSION TO SEAFARERS: David Masters (Lay Chaplain), Phyllis Coulstock (A): Please pray for John Kewa as he takes over the role of Pastoral carer at the mission and for Lee Dowson as she is now the office manager. Thank you for the past support of your prayers for David Masters and Phyllis Coulstock as they retire? Please pray for all the volunteers as they provide the care and support to the seafarers visiting our Port. For the seafarers safety at sea and ashore and for the families they are away from for long periods of time.

DAY 29:

OAK FLATS: Rev Graham & Lesley Errington, Ben & Stacie Pakula (YW), Lydia Milliken (A): We give thanks for new families in evening church, and we pray for our ministry to teenagers in clubs and at the schools to join also. Please also pray that we will have effective witness to the suburb of Oak Flats.

PORT KEMBLA/WARRAWONG: Rev Stephen Semenchuk (AR), Amy Brown (CM): Pray for the leaders & children at the kids club "Kingdom 4 Kidz" that continues to grow. Pray for a mature male leader to join the kids' club team. Give thanks for the support of MU to children's work in the parish. Give thanks as we build upon opportunities with brothers & sisters from Africa.

SCHOOLS: Illawarra Grammar: The Illawarra Grammar School is seeking to appoint a new Chaplain to replace the Rev John Reed, now the Rector at Keiraville. Please pray for wisdom and discernment for the selection panel as they seek to identify the right candidate to nurture the spiritual development of the School community.

Shellharbour Anglican College:

DAY 27:

FIGTREE: Rev Ian & Rhonda Barnett, Rev Ron & Julie Irving (YM), Daniel Budd (AYM), Rev Stuart & Carolyn Starr (E), Rev Geoff & Anne Thompson (SnrAM), Yvonne Gunning & Virginia Woodward, (E), Karen Dixon (EM), Belinda Hudson (ptHS SRE), Dale Spencer (PA), Lisa Delaney (ptACM), Brianne Eastman (ptCW), Matthew Hawkins (CI), Rachelle Dunn (S), Jane Major-Smith (Integration), Fay Brampton (PW), Rev Thayil John (IS), Alex Ngo & Rochelle Lansom (YI), Daniel Jones (YI), Matthew Nelson (CA), Warwick Mann (TSS), Adele Peteranec & Karen Shaw (A): Praise God for the rich history of gospel ministry through Figtree over the past 100 years & for Centenary celebrations being planned. Pray for: the July EE mission team to Vanuatu; for God's hand of protection over the team as they go to train & equip church leaders in how to share their faith. Pray for the Kids' Day Camp also in July; that it will be a fruitful time of building on relationships with families connected with through previous camps and scripture. Pray for Ian as he leads the church and for the staff as together they start planning for 2012 ministries.

GERRINGONG: Rev Andrew & Liz Glover, Rev Jon & Fiona Clare (AM), Kaylie Faras (ptCM), Simon Godden (A): Give thanks for: Jon & Fiona Clare's work; growth in family ministry; growing enthusiasm and involvement of more people in new ministries. Please pray for: the development of family, youth and seniors ministries; wise choices of ministry priorities; urgency to tell our community about Jesus; wisdom and energy for the new parish council sub-committees; thankful, generous hearts to serve enthusiastically and to give cheerfully.

JAMBEROO: Rev David & Julie-Ann Cole (CIC):

DAY 28:

KEIRAVILLE: Rev John Reed, Christiana Muritidi (ptCM), Thayil John (ptSM), Dianne Arnold (A):

NARELLAN: Rev Michael & Alison Blake, Andrew & Tam Spalding (YM), Steve & Wendy Hitchins (LM), Adam & Trudy Richards (p/t), Julie McGilvray (A): Give thanks for the Peacemaking Church series (sermons and Growth Groups) and pray that we apply these principles in all our relationships; give thanks for the early steps our Growth Groups are taking as we aim to grow our contacts with people who are connected with church in some way; give thanks for the youth who regularly invite friends along to Friday Pulse and pray that the Lord would draw these people to himself. Pray for youth in local High Schools and children in our Primary Schools who hear God's Word in Scripture Classes, that the Lord would bring many to serve Christ as Lord. Pray for several families dealing with family illness and death. Pray that non-Christians would be shaken by death to see Christ as the Victorious Lord, and that Christians would take hold of his promises and rejoice in the hope he has given us.

DAY 9:

PICTON-WILTON: Rev Phil & Pamela Parker (AM), Rev Greg Stanton (Hon) Lyn Jarrett (A): Pray for Philip's coordination of a Ministry Leadership Team comprising the leaders of each major ministry area. Give thanks for the commencement of High Schoolers discipling group in conjunction with Wilton evening service. Pray for Richard & Alysia - committed to leading this group. Pray that current restoration of St Marks pipe organ will add another dimension of music ministry in Picton. Preaching is on Rm.1-3 ... "*Foundations of Christianity*". Pray for encouragement of our aged people and new young families coming to the cold building at St Marks over winter.

ROSEMEADOW with APPIN: The Ven Deryck & Glenda Howell, Rev Luke & Julia Collings (AM), Collette Wise (ptA): Give praise for: the many new people who have joined us this year and for those investigating Jesus; that a new lease for the ANGLICARE shop is being negotiated; for an enthusiastic parish council. Please pray: that God will save the new fringe people who have joined us; that our experimental Sunday ministry at the ANGLICARE shop on Sundays will be effective for Christ; that God will give energy to those worn out in well doing.

SCHOOLS: Macarthur Anglican:

St Peter's Primary: In August, the new BER school hall will be the venue for the 10am family service for St Peter's Church. Significant growth in this congregation has precipitated the move from the 1823 building, with capacity for 200 people to the hall with potential capacity of 700+. We pray that it too will be filled. We also give thanks that many school families have come to church and to faith because of the work of school staff and the ministry team of St Peter's Church working together.

Broughton Anglican College: During 2011, Broughton Anglican College celebrates the completion of our first 25 Years of Christian Education. Give thanks for the steps in faith taken in 1985 by the late Canon Reverend John Darlington and the congregation of St Peter's Anglican Church in establishing the College. Give thanks for God's provision of property, buildings and resources to allow God's work to be done at the College over the past 25 years. Give thanks for the privilege the College has in working with and presenting the gospel to over 4,000 students and their families. As we enter the next stage of our history, pray that all aspects of the College's operation and interaction with our internal and external communities will be Christ focused so that many families across the Macarthur region will come to know the meaning of 'Life through Christ'.

Wollondilly Anglican College: We give praise for growing enrolments and that we have been under His canopy of protection with no critical incidents in eight years. We ask that the College will continue to attract Christian staff of such high calibre and that our message of salvation not be diluted by pressures to conform and comply with the values of the world.

DAY 10:

SOUTH CREEK: Rev Jono & Jenny Squire, Mel Gillies (CM), Gavin & Lara Oram (SM), Vacant (A):

THE OAKS: Rev Paul & Lorraine Davey, Mrs Inika Kroh (FM):

DAY 11:

UNIVERSITY MINISTRY: UWS - Rev Adam Richards (pt):

WOLLONDILLY: Rev Kevin & Karen Flanagan, Rev Robert & Miriam Meischke (AM), Rae Dutton (A): Give thanks for our new Assistant Minister, Robert Meischke, his wife Miriam and children Gideon and Angel. Do pray that Rob will have a fruitful ministry as he oversees the Bargo congregation and Wollondilly Anglican Community Church. Continue to pray for church planting initiatives in Tahmoor and for outreach through Boys Brigade, Toddler Time, School Scripture and '1700' youth service.

DAY 25:

BULLI/WOONONA: Rev Leigh & Merrilyn Roberts, Andy Callow (YM), Dianne Williams (PA), Jo Bradley (A): Please keep praying that God would keep using our Ephesians' Series to reignite each member's love for Jesus and His mission and revive and reshape our church according to His plan, His way, for His purposes. Pray that we'd get Sundays right. Pray for us as we develop a simple, clear, helpful vision statement and process that helps us honour Jesus and make radical disciples for Him. Pray that God would guide and bless our mission partnership with Evangelism Explosion in Tonga, especially with the EE field-worker, Apolosi Fungalua. Pray as we train people in preparation for our Mission trip to Tonga in July/August for mutual benefit. Praise God that Apolosi's visit to us in March was a real challenge and blessing to us. Huge! Thanks for praying! It worked!

CHESALON LIVING/CARE: Woonona, Fairy Meadow:

CORRIMAL: Rev David & Carol Esdale (AM), Rev John & Jan O'Keefe, Rev Jenni Stoddart (AM), Cathy Wynn (A):

DAY 26:

DAPTO: Rev Stephen & Leigh-anne Semenchuk, Rev Scott Goode & Jim Mobbs (AM), Mary Pickford (CM), Peter Gold (YM), Di Whittaker (ptCA), Paul Seville (YM&T), Amy Brown (ptCM), Eliza Vesey, Karoleena Ivanov, Kaitlyn Dixon (CMI), John Batten (YI), Hilary Brown, Lyndall Bailey, Jill Pearce, Janelle Jansen, Linda Bell (A): Pray for those preparing for Confirmation in August. Give thanks for the safety of the building site and faithfulness as we start using the building. Pray for the Youth Camp 3-5 June, for safety, good teaching and building ongoing relationships. Pray for the Holiday Club in July holidays that many families will be impacted by God's love.

FAIRY MEADOW: Rev Dr Martin & Sandie Bragger, Rev Aidan and Beth Carlessen (AM), Olivia Latham (Y&CM), Alisoun Larkin (A): Thank God for the appointment of an Assistant Minister. Praise God for increasing interaction with community members through our **CrossNet** cells and groups. Thank God for new SRE teachers. Please pray for our ministries in both primary and high schools, and for creative ways to engage the whole of the school communities. Pray for wisdom for the church Leadership Team.

MISSION AREA: Wollongong

DAY 23:

MISSION LEADER: Rev Stephen Semenchuk

ALBION PARK: Rev Steve & Trish Roberts, Rev Neil & Kirsty Scott (AM), Natasha Hansen (WPC), Tim Deutscher (YM), Lin George & Lynece Hawkins (A): Praise God for: a wonderful Preschool Service on 15 May – many visitors joined us, heard the gospel and stayed for lunch and activities. Please pray for: Regional Men's Day - 4 June; Day of Prayer - 25 June; development of prayer ministry after Services each Sunday; sermon series on prayer in June; spiritual gifts in July and Genesis 12-50 in August; ongoing planning for the Men's Shed; Youth Leadership Training Camp (13-15 July); preparations for our Weekend Away in October.

ANGLICAN RETIREMENT VILLAGES: Dapto: Lyn Matchett:

DAY 24:

ANGLICARE WOLLONGONG: Manager Andrew Stratford: Please pray: that people in need are cared for and the underlying causes of their need are addressed; for the strengthening of the social fabric of communities so that they are family friendly, resilient, hope filled and just; that ANGLICARE will be an indispensable partner in the life and Mission of the Diocese, assisting parishes to build mission capacity.

AUSTINMER: Rev Steve & Anne Dinning, Rev Colin & Theresa Barwise (AM), Wendy Potts (ptE), Julian Comer (A): Great thanks for Easter services that were meaningful and clearly praise & proclaimed the risen Christ. Pray for Men's Bootcamp on Thursdays in June. Aim is to help men together get on track & stay on track with God. Pray for continued wisdom with property development planning.

BERKELEY CHURCH PLANT: Captain Wayne Pickford: We thank God for the provision of new team members recently and the appointment of the new leadership committee and the team running Celebrate Recovery and for transformed lives. Please pray for Wayne, for continued financial provision and that we would be able to continue to reach out further into the community and disciple our congregation well.

MISSION AREA: Shoalhaven-Southern Highlands

DAY 12:

MISSION LEADER: Rev Richard Mills:

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

ANGLICARE Moss Vale: Manager Matt Harden:

ANGLICARE SHOALHAVEN: Manager Glenda Devlin, Deputy Manager: Jacqui Leonard, Program Managers: Marty Richardson & Kevin Percival, Karen Langton (A): Please pray: that staff from Berry to Bega might be encouraged and supported by management and the wider community in the difficult work that they do; for safety of staff that often travel long distances and work in challenging circumstances; for wisdom in building ongoing connections with churches; for the building project at West Street in Nowra to be completed well and soon; for wisdom in making choices about ongoing accommodation for Ulladulla; and that every connection we make might be honouring to God, assisting those who know Him to serve Him better and those that don't know Him to be encouraged to seek out further connection with Christian people and understanding of the gospel.

BERRIMA cum MOSS VALE: Rev Dean & Catherine Reilly: Thank God for Dean, Catherine and their children settling well into the Parish. Thank God for the positive move of time changes for our churches and for the families who are starting to attend our 10am service. Thank God for the enthusiasm and joy of our Parish Council with respect to sharing the gospel throughout our Parish. Pray for wisdom as to how best integrate new individuals and families into our church family. Pray for our new youth group, that we would reach the youth of Moss Vale. Pray for our Play Group, that the leaders and helpers would continue to form strong friendships with the parents/carers and their children. Pray for our regular members as we continue to make minor and significant changes throughout our churches.

DAY 13:

BERRY with KANGAROO VALLEY: Rev Neil & Leanne Percival, Rev Andrew & Cecily Paterson, Katrina Thomas (YM). Maggie Froggatt (A):

BOMADERRY: Rev Sean & Linda Heslehurst, Emily Heath (CYM), Shane Orchard (MTS), Emma Orchard (M), Helen Lyons & Sue Davies (A): Praise the Lord for the women who attended Equip, and for the men attending the Regional Men's Day. Pray that they will put what they learn into action. Praises too that Sue Davies is able to cover the 'unmanned' days in the office. Praises for increasing congregation and more families with children. Pray for our Youth Group, Children's Ministry, School Scripture and Ministry in Schools, also pray for the safe arrival of Shane & Emma Orchard's 1st child in the near future.

BOWRAL: Rev Stephen & Sharon Fifer, Rev Mathew & Cathy Brooks-Lloyd (AM), Larry & Caroline Mullan (YM), Rev Dr Vic & Delle Roberts (ptSM), Carmen Williams (KC), Glenys Howarth (PW), Allan Beavis (M), Janine Stewart (A): Thank God that Matthew, Larry and their families have settled well. Pray for Larry as he continues to work out strategies to reach the youth of Bowral. Pray for Stephen and Sharen busy with their extended family household as well as their ministry, also pray for continued progress on all area of planning for the redevelopment of the hall.

DAY 14:

CHESALON CARE: Nowra:

CULBURRA BEACH: Rev Paul & Ingrid McPhail:

FLEET AIR ARM HMAS ALBATROSS: Chaplain Ian & Maggie Lindsay:

DAY 15:

HUSKISSON: Rev Ray & Louise Goldman, Trish Vaughan (A): Thank God for the encouragement he gives his people. Pray for our winter outreach with speaker Bishop Reg Piper. Pray for David Elmer doing Year 13 and thanks for his passion for evangelism. Pray for plans to plant an evening church service in the local high school hall will be successful. Pray for property matters that better facilities will be provided for the long term future of the church.

MITTAGONG: Rev Richard & Marge Mills, Canon John & Jan Livingstone (ptSenM), Don Taylor (SLW), Di Roki (FM), Kathy Crawshaw & Julie Marks (A): Give thanks for recent appointment of Di Roki and pray for her work with young mothers especially in the northern villages of the Parish. Pray that people in our church will have a greater passion for the lost and our church will be growing in unity.

DAY 22:

SYLVANIA: Rev Mark & Merryl Charleston, Rev Ben & Sara Gray (AM), Ian Cartwright (SenM), Linda Greenwood (CM), Jeremiah Matson (SM), Louise Davies (SM), Diane Saunders (A): Give thanks for an encouraging time in God's Word working through Philippians - engaging with the theme of gospel partnership. Pray for our Term 2 Bible talks on Isaiah ("God's Great Mission") & our Term 3 series on "The Wondrous Cross". Give thanks that our High School SRE has commenced & a new Friday night program for older teens launched. Please continue to pray: for the growth of our SRE ministries across our four primary schools; for our work amongst the Seniors of the Parish; for our wardens in planning property improvements; and, most importantly, for an ongoing hunger for God's Word with a commitment to prayer.

YOUTHWORKS OUTDOORS PORT HACKING: Rev Jodie & Mandy McNeill and Staff:

YOUTHWORKS TRAINING COLLEGE: Principal: Rev Graham Stanton (on Sabbatical), Vice Principal: Jim French, Academic Dean: Andy Stirrup, Student Placement & Welfare: Kerrie Newmarch, Lecturers: Ruth Lukabyo. Director Distance Education: Ross Ryan, Distance Co-ordinator: Mike Southon, Year 13 Director: Andrew Nixon, Chaplain: Andrew Hudson, Assistant Director: Trinette Armitt, Lecturers: Pete Gunning, Fiona Fenwick, Student Support: Michelle Rush, Support Staff: Principal PA & Office Manager: Nola Betts, Student Registrar: Murray Wale, Caretaker: Jason Arthur, Caterer: Wolfgang Koeck: Thank God for: Graham Stanton's opportunity to study in 1st Semester; the effective ministry training of the College; good relationships developed through College community. Please pray for: faculty to keep up with workload and students pastoral needs; the way forward on road development; effective marketing strategies to increase enrolment numbers.

HELENSBURGH and STANWELL PARK: Vacant: Rev Jai & Christie McMordie (AM&YM), Naomi Lai (ptCM), Terry Mann (A): Thank God for sustaining us as a church during this time as we await a new rector. Pray also that we would remain focused on loving and serving God and our community. Pray that we trust in God during this time and remain united in Christ. Pray for those who will be stepping up in some areas to fill the void.

JANNALI: Rev Neil & Sandra Fitzpatrick, Rev Stephen & Jacky Hooper (AM), Rev Cameron & Fran Hyslop (YM), Rev Andrew & Ruth Barry, Evelyn Street (WM), Meagan Bartlett & Matthew Beresford (MA), Jill Doctor & Jess Evers (A):

DAY 21:

MENAI: Rev Bruce & Judy Dingwall, Rev Steve & Nonie Wakeford (YAM), Simon Owen (YM), Jenny Barrie (ptCW), Brad Warton (SM), Andrew Hartman (SM), Ben Stewart (SM), Kate Debreczeni (SM), Pat Jones (SM), Denise Gellett (A): Give thanks for: the committed team of ministry leaders at Menai; the growth in our SRE team, children's ministries and youth ministries. Please pray for: wisdom as the church goes through a new vision setting process and as we try to discern God's direction for us; for good staffing appointments.

MIRANDA: Rev Stephen & Susie Gibson, Rev Andrew & Adele Southerton & Rev Marty & Katrina Feltham (AM), Rev Brett & Mardi Middleton (YM), Luke & Jess Moran (CM), Rev Alex Abbottsmith (pt), Jennifer Everist (PW), Rachel Evans, (Music), Rhys Duggan (YI), Sarah Prabhakar, Kylie Zietsch & Cam Harte (SM), Sharyn Perry (PA), Alex Gartner & Melody Zografos (A): Give thanks: for our new staff Andrew Southerton & Marty Feltham and pray for new services @ 5pm (workers) & 7pm (students). Give thanks for Graeme & Susanna Howells' ministry over 9½ wonderful years and pray for them as Graeme starts as the Senior Minister @ Rouse Hill. Pray for adjustments for St Luke's in their absence especially our Miranda North church plant and wisdom regarding future staff appointments. Also give thanks for good attendance at Easter and the new people who have joined us recently, pray that we will welcome and integrate them well.

SUTHERLAND: Rev Rod Harding, Graham Johnson (AdM), Faye Hillier (PW), Ian Forest-Jones (AP), Benita De Rooy (CM), Sue Bastow (A):

NOWRA: Rev Matthew & Anne Pickering; Rev Jonathan & Melissa Lilley (AM), Rev Graham & Michelle Thomas (YW), Jan Tillott (PW), Rev David & Camille Woodbridge (SenM), Lyn Miles (All Saints' Com.Care), Josh Murphy & Kyarna Cruse (MTS), Jan Booth (A): Give thanks: for our small groups; for SRE teaching and opportunities to teach the Bible across the Shoalhaven; for growing Christian maturity with teenagers. Please pray for: ministry arising from the new Prison and the Chaplain Ray Beckman; growing opportunities to teach the Bible in Nursing Homes; Aboriginal ministry at home and across Australia; youth and children - literally thousands receiving Bible ministry weekly; powerful and widespread fruitfulness; good growth of the 8am congregation and effective ministry to Seniors within and outside the church.

DAY 16:

ROBERTSON: Rev Barry & Anette Lee (LSL), Rev Ron Watts (L), Matthew Robson (YT): Give thanks for the sale of the final block of land to finance the New Church Centre (though for less than expected). Pray for solutions to paying out the remainder of the bridging loan. Pray for the 125th Anniversary celebrations for St David's at Burrawang, for the concert on the 17th July and the regular service to follow at 5.00pm and for a special Anniversary service in October.

SCHOOLS: Tudor House:

Nowra & Shoalhaven Anglican College:

SHOALHAVEN ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY CHURCH: Rev Jonathan Lilley(p/t), Kyarna Cruse (MTS):

SHOALHAVEN HEADS: Rev Anthony & Jude Douglas (CIC), Rev Eric Bird (Assoc), Vacant (A): Thank God for a good start to our first year as a parish, and the encouraging way he has provided for us. We have an encouraging number of people involved in various ministries – pray that they are able to maintain their energy and enthusiasm. Pray too for a number of our older members, suffering the frailties of age with great patience.

SUSSEX INLET: Rev Marty & Vivien Davis (CIC): We give thanks for new leaders for our Youth Group (YUC) and being able to incorporate Yr.6 students this year. Pray that our youth ministry may see lives changed and new leaders growing in their roles. We are also thankful for new faces at church and pray that we may not simply welcome but actually incorporate these people into church life. Pray for Marty and Viv (and Liam and Erin) as they take long service leave in term 3. Pray for Rev. Philip Oliver as he acts as locum during this time. Please also pray as look at some restructuring of our children's ministry and our services.

DAY 17:

SUTTON FOREST: Rev Jeremy & Danielle Tonks, Matthew Taylor (SLW), Rev Cyril Turner (Hon), Rev Colin Reed (Hon), Danielle Tonks & Jackie Bonham (A): Give thanks for: the Lick family's safe return from church rebuilding in Chile; for successful commencement of Wednesday afternoon "Explorers" primary children's club. Please pray for: upcoming Parish combined services at Tallong and Sutton Forest: for 150th celebrations for All Saints, Sutton Forest in August.

ULLADULLA: Rev Ross & Leanne Maltman, Rev Jake & Jennifer De Salis (AM), Vacant (A): Give thanks for: our gracious God in giving us the responsibility and privilege of taking the gospel to our community; the great ministry of Frank Mostyn and Jake De Salis during the interim period between rectors; Ross & Leanne arriving, and settling in well to ministry, aided by a very welcoming church family. Please pray for: wisdom with new ministry direction as we seek to impact the community more efficiently for the kingdom of God; Ross and Leanne to get a handle on how things operate within our coastal/semi-rural townships; our exciting children's' ministries to bear more fruit.

YOUTHWORKS OUTDOORS SHOALHAVEN: Rev Jodie & Mandy McNeill and Staff:

MISSION AREA: Sutherland

DAY 18:

MISSION LEADER: Rev Neil Fitzpatrick:

ANGLICAN RETIREMENT VILLAGES: Kirrawee: Larry Warton (Mgr), Julie Bryant:

Woolooware Shores: Peter Crawshaw:

CARINGBAH: Rev Stefan & Helen Bull, Rev Andrew & Jess Levy (AM), Rev Alex & Liz Zunica (AM), Rev Mike & Amelia Begbie (YW), Rev Di & Steve Lucas (CW), Rev Garry & Jeanette Dawes (Chaplain—Woolooware Shores), Rev Tony Tress (pt), Rev Kevin Engel (pt), Janice Ackland (ptPW), Marion Woodhouse, (ptSen M), Ross Collins (MTS), Alison Collins & Jason Smith (CMI), Canon Bruce Ballantine-Jones (Hon), Mel Hulskamp (A):

DAY 19:

CHESALON LIVING: Sutherland, Jannali:

CRONULLA with KURNELL: Rev Rich & Juliet Wenden, Rev Michael & Karen Baines (AM), Margaret Spring (PCW), Graham Dyason (ptCM), Susan Fleming (A): Give thanks for: some new families who have joined us this year; the pastoral care ministry of Margaret Spring. Pray for visitors who came over Easter that the message of Jesus' death and resurrection would have impacted their hearts; pray also for establishment of new weekly kids club and for Graham as he works to set up this new ministry.

ENGADINE: Rev Rick & Janene Lewers, Rev Tom & Simone Hargreaves, Rev Ben & Kate Boardman, Rev Scott & Rebecca Hedley (YM), Lauren Tucker (SRE), Ian Morrison & Toby Campbell (SM), Robyn Lofberg & Barry Watson (A):

DAY 20:

GYMEA: Rev Graham & Jane Crew, Rev Stuart & Louise Crawshaw (AM), Rev Matt & Lauren Redmond (AM), Jarrad Spring (YW), Tracy McCall (CM), Tim Beilharz (CM), Cheryl Fleming (A): Give praise for: united & gospel-hearted leadership teams; faithful & powerful ministries to youth, children & seniors; strong commitment of members to giving, outreach and prayer. Please pray for: Women's and Men's outreach events in June; provision of suitable women to be employed as Pastoral Worker in July; wisdom in setting church vision, goals, building & church plants plans; for God to raise up more young men and women for fulltime gospel work locally and abroad.