

# Pentecost 18 Bulletin for Thurs 10th - 13th October 2019

We acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional custodians of the land, on which we worship, work and meet, the Bundjalung people. We recognise the significant role the past and future Elders play in the life of the region. We are mindful that within and without the beautiful sandstone church, the Land always was and always will be Aboriginal Land.



The story of the ten lepers is an obvious lesson in gratitude: "and one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him." That leper was "made well," (from the Greek sesoken). The other nine were cleansed (ekatharisthesan). Gratitude is

an indelible part of fully human integrated wholeness that is far deeper than merely being cured. Best understood, holiness is the person at home with herself, relaxed in a joyful wholeness that knits together all healed wounds into a connection with life, others and Great Creator Spirit. The mark of this holiness is gratitude. Ronald Rolheiser writes: "Gratitude is the basis for all holiness. The holiest person you know is also the most grateful person you know." (Sacred Fire 2014 (New York: Penguin). Meister Eckhart said that if the only prayer you have ever prayed is 'Thank You', you have prayed enough.

Pleasenote a hearing loop is installed on the right hand sideof St Barts. Please turn off your mobile phoned uring worship. Toilets are located in the front of the Hall. First Aid Kits are located in the Church & the Hall.



# Welcome Bishop Murray

We warmly welcome Bishop Murray to our service today. Bishop Murray will present a cheque to Heartfelt House \$5300. This was the amount raised at our very successful Auction of Promises. Please stay for morning tea and to meet Bishop Murray.

# The Gospel according to Luke 17:11-19

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilæ. <sup>12</sup> As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup> they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup> Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

### **Christmas Hampers**

It may seem a little early to start thinking about Christmas but the Mental Health Support Group has to have the first Christmas Hampers ready for distribution by the end of November. If you are able please could you place something non perishable or a gift into the basket that will be at the entrance to Church from next week? A weekly donation would help enormously. Last year we distributed more than 60 Hampers that made a huge difference for those families. Thank you in anticipation. Barbara Swain.

### Parish Council

**Meeting Wednesday 16th, 6pm** PC are working on a year plan for 2020. Can Ministry coordinators please communicate with your parish councilors important dates for inclusion.



### Juke Box Sunday 17th November

At 8am and 6pm we will have a service of hymns and songs. What's your favourite hymn or song and why? Let us know via the website or here in the church.



#### Prayer for...

Jeremiah 29:10 says "Seek the welfare of the city". Prayer for youth, children, families and the church Monday strictly 10am—10.30am.



### Anti Poverty Week

October 13 starts Anti-Poverty Week.

### Cursillo

**Regener8 Weekend** - Cursillistas are invited to this new initiative of the Cursillo Movement in the Diocese to be hosted by St Mark's, Casino on the weekend of 26 - 27 October. Theme is Heading for Higher Places (Habukkuk 3:17-19). Cost is \$40.00 to cover meals. For further details please see the noticeboard. Application Forms available at the Parish Office or contact Mark Stuckey: 0428 404 783.

### Memorial Service

**Sunday October 27, 8am & 6pm.** The service is open to the community. During the service, an opportunity is offered to remember loved ones. **Through music, words and rituals we remember** and honour friends and family who have died. **Come.** You will be warmly welcomed and safely held as you respect your loved ones who have died.

#### Bible Readings

13th October Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7	Psalm 66:1-12
20th October Jeremiah 31:27-34	Psalm 119:97-104

Luke 17:11-19 Luke 18:1-8

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We give thanks to God for all people making offertories to the vision of God's Kingdom here on earth. If you would like to contribute electronically to the Parish Provider these are the details: **BSE: 705 077 / Acc: 32931** 

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH				
Sunday	13th Oct	<mark>8.00am</mark> 4.00pm	Families@4 (in recess)	
	6.00pm Sunday@6 St Bart's			
Monday	14th Oct	10.30am 1.00pm	Life Group Meeting Room Sew Helpful	
Tuesday	15th Oct	10.30am	-	
		1.30pm	Life Group at Carol Stone's home	
Wednesday	16th Oct	9.00am	Meditation Group, St Bart's	
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Thursday	17th Oct	9.30a.m	Play Place	
-		6.00pm	Contemplative Church, Healing	
Friday	18th Oct	10.00am 2.00pm	Holy Communion, St Bart's Choir Practice, St Bart's	
Saturday	19th Oct	2.0 op 111		
Sunday	20th Oct	8.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm	Holy Communion St Barts Families@4 Sunday@6	

Rosters Sunday 20th October 8.00am (3rd Sunday team)

**Person in Charge:** Margaret Brown **Worship Leader**: Mark Stuckey **Music**: Ros Sharp **Sound:** TBA **Flowers:** Gladys Charter, Carol Vidal, Helen Dobbie **Church Cleaning:** Diane Mueller, Diana Westall, Susan Hinchley