



# Alstonville Anglicans

## Epiphany

Bulletin for Wed 13 Feb–Sun 17 Feb 2019

We acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional custodians of the land, on which we worship, work and meet, the Bundjalung people. We recognize 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.

Joanne C. Jones is an American and studied nursing. The following story is true and is told by Jack Kornfield in *The Art of Forgiveness*:

During my second month of nursing school, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions until I read the last one: "What is the first name of the woman who cleans the school?" Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired, a woman in her fifties, but how would I know her name? I handed in my paper, leaving the last question blank. Before class ended, one student asked if the last question would count toward our quiz grade. "Absolutely," said the professor. "In your careers you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your care, even if all you do is smile and say hello." I've never forgotten that lesson. I also learned her name was Dorothy.

—quoted in *The Art of Forgiveness, Lovingkindness, and Peace* by Jack Kornfield

Joanne's professor's teaching moment was a worthy reminder of who Joanne truly was and what her life's work was truly about - meeting many people, knowing that all are significant, all deserve her care even if all she does is smile and say hello. She remembered who she was and what she was about. Similarly, Jesus gives us the Beatitudes as a reminder about who we are as people of God and what our life's work is: love lived out in mercy and justice.

**Please note a hearing loop is installed on the right hand side of St Barts.  
Please turn off your mobile phone during worship. Toilets are located in the front of the Hall.**

## Luke 6:17-26

<sup>17</sup> He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>18</sup> They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup> And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. <sup>20</sup> Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup> "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. <sup>24</sup> "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. <sup>25</sup> "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup> "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

## Auction of Promises



**Saturday 9th March at 6.00pm** in support of Heartfelt House. Roll up! Roll up! Now is the time to purchase your tickets for an evening of fun, frivolity, friendship and great deals. Tickets are \$15, including a delicious dinner, and are now available at the church office. But of course, you can't have an Auction of Promises if no one puts anything forward to be auctioned. So, get your thinking caps on and submit your promises to the office as soon as possible. Suggested promises might include: lawn mowing, window washing, car washing, ironing, dinner for 2 (your place or mine), cakes, casseroles, drawings, paintings, gardening etc etc. There is a multitude of things that can be offered. and, if you can't come along, you can still submit a promise.

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## Bible Readings

17th Feb Jeremiah 15:5-10  
24th Feb Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Luke 6:17-26  
Luke 6:27-38

## AGM

Today 10am is our AGM. It offers the people of God, as Alstonville Anglicans, an opportunity to plan our community works as love lived out in mercy and justice. I wonder what that could look like?

## Fete 2019

**2019 Fete:** Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday, 26 Feb commencing at 4.30pm in the Ministry Centre meeting room. **Stall coordinators still required for: bbq, beautiful baskets, fresh produce & plants.** For further info contact Des on 0408397182.

## Faithfulness in Service Training (2 courses available)

**Saturday 23rd February at 2.00-4.00pm and Monday 25th February 10.00am-12.00pm** in the Ministry Hall. **This is compulsory training for anyone involved in any level of ministry.** Registration forms available in the church and in the office. Please return completed forms to the parish office as soon as possible.



## World Day of Prayer

**Friday 1st March, 10.00am, Alstonville Baptist Church, 103 Wardell Road, Alstonville. "Slovenia".**  
**Morning Tea provided**

## Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Care team need your help! If you are sick or going into hospital and would like to be visited please contact the Parish Office or have someone do it on your behalf. This is an important ministry but can only function if the information is shared.



## Pop Up Community

We are having a series of "Pop Up Community" taster sessions in preparation for the launch of our Families@4 service. Wednesdays 3.30pm 13, 20, 27 Feb outside St Bart's church and Thursdays 3.30pm 14, 21, 28 Feb at Alstonville Plaza. Craft, stories, food and drink. Come as...you

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We give thanks to God for those who contribute to sharing the good life through this church electronically. **ESB: 705 077 / Acc: 40130**

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

<b>Monday</b>	18th Feb	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>MU Meeting</b>
		1.00pm	Sew Helpful
		6.30pm	Marriage Course
<b>Tuesday</b>	19th Feb		Rev Desiree day off
		11.00am	SDA Service
		1.30pm	Life Group at Carol Stone's home
<b>Wednesday</b>	20th Feb	9.00am	Meditation Group, St Bart's,
		6.00pm	Parish Council Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	21st Feb	9.30am	Play Place
		12.00pm	Fellowship Group Lunch
		6:00pm	Contemplative Church, St Bart's
<b>Friday</b>	22nd Feb		Rev Desiree Clergy Conference
		10.00am	Holy Communion, St Bart's
		2.00pm	Choir
<b>Saturday</b>	23rd Feb	2.00pm	Faithfulness in Service Training
<b>Sunday</b>	24th Feb	8.00am	Holy Communion, St Bart's
		10.00am	Holy Communion, St Peter & St Paul's, Tregeagle
		12.00pm	AGM St Peter & St Paul's
		4.00pm	Messy Church
		5.30pm	Cuppa then Sunday@6, St Bart's

### Rosters Sunday 24th February 8.00am

**Person in Charge:** Johnny Sernberg **Worship Leader:** Helen Nicholson

**Music Ros Cleaning:** D Fenwick & L Stuckey **Sound:** Shane McBurney

**Flowers:** Gladys Charter, Carol Vidal, Helen Dobbie