

Alstonville Anglicans

Pentecost 16 Bulletin for Wed 25th Sept-Sun 29th Sept 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.



Saint Francis of Assisi who was born in 1181, grew up in a life of luxury and abandoned it for a life devoted to Christianity. He reportedly heard the voice of God, who commanded him to rebuild the Christian church and live in poverty. He is

the patron saint of animals and the environment. St Francis is an excellent role model for a Christian journey to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is known for setting up the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of Saint Clare, the Third Order of Saint Francis and for his work helping the poor and befriending outcasts like the lepers. The three orders today are worldwide and clergy and lay people are welcome to join the Third Order and continue to follow their ordinary professions of life. In a sense, every Christian needs to be a risk-taker for Christ in this generation. Those who stick to the old familiar traditional ways may just about keep us afloat.

Only those who embrace new ways and explore fresh places will reverse decline and bring renewed life. It must be in the spirit of Francis to be part of that creativity.

Matthew 6:25-29

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

Bishop Murray's visit will be on 13 October 2019. More details to come.

St Paul's Byron Bay have advised us that this event has been cancelled. 'An Afternoon of Opera Classics from Lower Clarence Valley Opera'.

Mental Health Awareness Week: Commencing 6th October.

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 helpful. Last year we distributed more than 60 Hampers that made a huge difference for those families to be able to celebrate. Thank you in anticipation. Barbara Swain

Rosters Sunday 6th October 8.00am (1st Sunday team)

Person in Charge: Carol Vidal Worship Leader: Iris Cowie

Music Carol Vidal Sound: Geoff Vidal

Flowers: Gerri White, Sheila Hobbs, Narelle Smee

Church Cleaning: Lyn Stuckey, Denise Fenwick, Mary Ireland

Worship & Spirituality Hub Meeting

For anyone interested in reviewing and discussing Anam Cara and Contemplative Church. Wednesday 2nd October 11.00am in the church.

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.,

Family Movie Night 29th September 4pm—Children's film 'Ponyo' Below is the 'Common Sense Media' film review.

Parents need to know that this stunning adventure from anime master <u>Hayao Miyazaki</u> is one of his most kid-friendly films to date, with strong characters and positive messages. There's little violence, although a few scenes during and after a climactic storm may disturb the youngest viewers. Some scenes in which parents and other characters seem to be missing might also be upsetting. Parents may be put off by the idea that two 5-year-old characters must at one point

fend for themselves without supervision -- but this is, afterall, a fairy tale-like story.

+/-5.30pm-Pizza Supper

+/-6.00pm-Adult film 'Storm Boy'

Storm Boy lives a lonely life with his reclusive father on a desolate coastline, but when he forms a close bond with a pelican, Mr. Percival, his life takes a new and unexpected turn.

Wear your onesie and bring your pillow, blanket or sleeping bag. There will be a prize for the best onesie.



BCA BOXES: please advise the office ASAP if you are CONTINUING to donate through BCA Boxes handed in to the office, or NOT, so that records can be updated and tax receipts issued.

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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: **BSB: 705 077 / Acc: 32931**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH			
Sunday	29th Sept		Holy Communion St Barts
		10.00am	St Peter & St Paul's, Tregeagle
		4.00pm 6.00pm	Families @4 (in recess) Sunday @6 St Bart's
Monday	30th Sept	10.30a m	Life Group Meeting Room
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Tuesday	1st Oct	1.30pm	Life Group at Carol Stone's home
Wednesday	2nd Oct	9.00am	Meditation Group, St Bart's
		11.00am	Pastoral Care Meeting
		11.00am	Anam Cara Worship/Spirituality
		3.30pm	Property Committee Meeting
		4.00pm	Messy Church Meeting
Thursday	3rd Oct	9.30am	Play Place (in recess)
		3.00pm	Op Shop Meeting
		6.00pm	Contemplative Church, Eucharist
Friday	4th Oct	10.00a.m	Holy Communion, St Bart's
		2,00pm	Choir Practice, St Bart's
Saturday	5th Oct		
Sunday	6th Oct	8.00am	Holy Communion St Barts
		6.00pm	Sunday@6

Bible Readings

29th September Revelation 5:11-14 Matthew 6:25-29 6th October Lamentations 1:1-6, 3:19-26 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10