

## Parish Diary for the Coming Week

Monday 12th December	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Tuesday 13th December	7.45pm	Home Group
Wed 14th December	9.30am 7.30pm	Traditional Communion Service Parish Council
Friday 16th December	10.00am 12noon	RSL Service W.A.D.D.L.E. to Centenary Lakes Sports Club
Saturday 17th December	6.30pm	<b>Bush Carol Service on the Lawn</b> Sausage Sizzle with the Rural Fire Brigade 7.30pm Bush Carol Service
Sunday 18th December	8.00am 9.45am 6.30pm	Traditional Holy Communion Service. Family Service with Holy Communion <b>Christmas Morning Tea after both morning services</b> Evening Service

### *Parish Prayer List*

Comfort and heal merciful Lord, all who are in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble. Give them a firm trust in your goodness; and help those who minister to them.

*Nancy Cowin, Bill Hill, The Crozier Family, Rosemary Bougoure, Judith S, Sylvia Haworth, Sue Hickey, Annie Portman, Ruth Mollenhagen, Reg Givney, Lancelles Buckby-East, Myrtle Barnett, Connie Britton, John & June Burke, Russell & Muriel Caisley, Margaret Coates, Kerry & Lyn Graham, George Le Cerf, Ron & Francis Neller, Heather Williams, Gavin McLean, Brian Whitmore, Joan Salter, Edith Bartlett, Nita Aitken, Christopher & Michaela, Sarah, Wendy, Matthew, Yoni, Lydia & Ron, Marjorie Loose, Neil Baisden, Page Green, Lorraine Burns, Deborah R & Christopher R., Lou, Ruth Kendall.*

*Patricia & Roger Oldham (Give thanks for prayers answered)*

#### **Please Note...**

Trish Platt, one of our Hospital Chaplains, is now based at Caboolture Private Hospital on Mondays. Sue Hickey is our Hospital Chaplain based at Caboolture Hospital

**Healing Rooms** are open Monday, Wednesday & Saturday, 10am-2pm in the church

#### **Parish Direct Giving**

'Parish Direct' allows you to make regular contributions through a convenient and secure electronic funds transfer from your financial institution to our **ANFIN Account**.

**Direct Debits** can be timed to correspond with your pay cycle and adjusted at any time. It is free of fees.

**Gift Certificates** are provided for placing in the offertory plate instead of an envelope.

**Brochures are in the foyer.**

*Please note our web page is...*

[www.cabooltureanglican.org.au](http://www.cabooltureanglican.org.au)

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**Rector - Rev. John Pattison  
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*Sunday 11th December, in the year 2011*

**Welcome to St. Laurence's Parish. We would like to extend a warm welcome to visitors and newcomers who are worshipping with us today. We invite everyone to join us for a "cuppa" after the service.**

### *Prayer of The Day*

**Eternal God,**  
you sent John the Baptist  
to prepare the way for the coming of your Son:  
grant us wisdom to see your purpose  
and openness to hear your will,  
that we too may prepare the way for Christ  
who is coming in power and glory  
to establish his rule of peace and justice;  
through Jesus Christ our Judge and our Redeemer,  
**Amen.**

#### **Readings for today**

Isaiah 61.1-4, 8-11  
Song of Mary APBA 31  
1 Thessalonians 5.12-28  
John 1.6-8, 19-28

#### **Readings for next Sunday**

2 Samuel 7.1-11, 16  
Psalm 89.1-4, 19-27  
Romans 16.25-27  
Gospel Luke 1.26-38

#### *Prayer Points*

- *For blessing and protection for Rev. John, Rev. Lorna and their family.*
- *For St Laurence's Church Family*
- *Praise and thanksgiving for the blessings of the year*
- *For Anglican Aid Abroad*

#### **Sentence**

**Bind up the broken-hearted, proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, the day of vengeance of our God. Isaiah 61.1-2**

#### **Third Week in Advent - Violet**

*Advent is the 4 week period before Christmas when the Church celebrates the first coming of Christ and anticipates his second coming.*

**The Third week in Advent celebrates "Joy"**

*The spirit of joy that begins this week comes from Philippians 4...*

**Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: Rejoice!**

*An ancient tradition is for the third candle of Advent to be rose coloured.*



## Christmas Raffle

Final Tickets are available between the morning services and will be drawn today at the 9.45am service.



## The New Challenger

Today is the deadline for all articles etc for the next issue of The New Challenger. Please contact Trevor Vieritz.

Our new weekly devotional...

From now on, I would like to start each week with a weekly devotional. I will choose these from one of Billy Graham's books as I find these are the most inspiring to me. They will be handed out by the sides persons. This way you can collect them easily. *John*



### We invite you to our... **Bush Carol Service** **On the front Lawn**

Saturday 17th December  
6.30pm Sausage Sizzle  
7.30pm Bush Carol Service

With St Cecelia's Acappella Singers  
Bring chair, torch and a plate of goodies  
to share with a cuppa after the service.

### Christmas Eve Services at St. Laurence's

7.30pm Family Service  
"The Star of Bethlehem"  
11.30pm Holy Communion Service

### Christmas Day Service

8.30am Holy Communion Service  
Please note that this is the only service  
today there is no Evening Service

## Choir for Christmas Eve - 7.30 service

If you would like to participate, practices will be held each Monday at 7.30pm in the church. Any further enquiries please contact Joan on 38867048.

## KYB Needs You

We have a KYB (Know Your Bible) group that meets here in the Church Hall every Wednesday Morning. These ladies would dearly love to continue coming but we have to have someone who will lead the Group. If you are interested could you please speak with me ASAP *Thank you John*

## Christmas W.A.D.D.L.E...Centenary Lakes Sports Club!!!!

We will be holding our Christmas W.A.D.D.L.E. luncheon at Centenary Lakes Sports Club (the old bowls club at the Lakes) on Friday 16th December at 12noon. I do need to give them final numbers on Wednesday, so please add your name etc to the whiteboard list **TODAY!!!!**

## A Very Big THANKYOU.....

to all of the New and Used Market Team for the enormous effort they put in all year to make the market such a success. The market can only operate with the willing hands of our dedicated parishioners so thank you once again for your commitment.

## Daylight & Guidelines

Orders are being taken for May 12 to April 13 BRF ( Bible Reading Fellowship) books.

Daylight - a daily bible reading with comments, notes, prayer & reflection.

Guidelines - a daily bible study.

Examples of these may be checked out in the Church Library. Orders to Annette Doyle by Wednesday 15th December Ph 5496 6811 or Mobile 0403 166811.

## Christmas Morning Tea Sunday 18th December

We will be having a special Christmas Morning Tea starting after the first service and continuing, to welcome parishioners after the second service, so that we can have a time of fellowship to celebrate the birth of Our Lord and Saviour. Please bring along a plate of festive food to add to the table. If you are a second service worshipper, why not come a little early and spend some time with your fellow parishioners from the first service.

## Can You Help???

We have a young family of six, who have taken in three orphaned family members all under the age of five and in order to transport them anywhere, they need two more booster seats. If you can help, please contact the office ASAP. Any articles of children's clothing would also be of great assistance, as this couple now have seven children to clothe.