

**COLLECT:** Lord, let your continual pity cleanse and defend your church, and because it cannot continue in safety without your aid, keep it evermore by your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER BEFORE READING:** Thank you, Father, for making yourself known to us, showing us the way of salvation through faith in your Son. We ask you now to teach us through your word, so that we may be ready to serve you, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Next Week's Bible Readings:**

Matthew 26:31-41  
1 Peter 5:1-14  
John 21:15-19

**Next Sunday's Sermon Text:**

1 Peter 5:1-14

**FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES**

"9b Do not be deceived: No sexually immoral people, idolaters, adulterers, or anyone practicing homosexuality, 10 no thieves, greedy people, drunkards, verbally abusive people, or swindlers will inherit God's kingdom. 11 And some of you used to be like this. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God."

**1 Corinthians 6:9b-11 (HCSB)**

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**WEEKLY HAPPENINGS**

**Monday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering  
9-11am - Stay and Play (Playgroup)  
2.00pm - Fellowship Gathering @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre

**Tuesday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering  
4pm - Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesday:** 9-10am - Prayer Gathering  
1.30pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Anne Dorman's home)  
2pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Lilian Essex-Clark's home)  
4pm - Sunday@10 Singing Practice—see Simon Reeve  
7.30-8.30pm - Men's Bible Study - see Simon Reeve

**Thursday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering  
11.00am - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre  
4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent Woolgoolga (Hanger home)

**Friday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering  
9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)  
5.30pm - WiFY - Years 4-12

**2nd Sunday:** 2pm - Jesus Club, Sunday 22 September

**DAYS OFF** Simon—Thursday Pam—Friday



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We warmly welcome you to Northern Beaches Anglicans  
*If you are new, visiting, or one of our regulars,  
we are glad you have joined us today.*



**Joy in Suffering – 1 Peter 4:12-19**

In one sense suffering in our lives comes as a surprise. We naturally seek to avoid pain or struggle, and so when suffering comes it sometimes can catch us out. And yet when it comes to the idea of suffering for being a Christian, we ought never be surprised, as Peter reminds us, because in following Jesus we will end up facing the same opposition that he experienced.

Central to Peter's teaching on suffering in the last paragraphs of chapter 4 is the idea of entrusting ourselves to God, or as the NIV puts it in verse 19 "...commit themselves to their faithful Creator..." This idea, and these words, echo throughout the entire Bible. In troubled times the psalmist (Psalm 31:5) writes, "Into your hands I commit my spirit;..." And it is these very words that were on the lips of our Lord and Saviour Jesus when he breathed his last (Luke 23:46). It's no wonder that Peter seeks to teach us the same.

**PARISH SERVICES:** SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) & Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). NEXT Combined Service 29th Sept Sunday@9 - 9am



### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mark Wyborn, Marj Simmons, Henry Hill, Bob Hoskins, Joan Cowling, Thelma Watkins, Gwen Wills and Makoiu.

Northern Beaches Anglicans in the Diocese of Grafton is committed to protecting your privacy. The people on this list have requested prayer at this time.

**PARISH COUNCIL ROUND-UP:** The Parish Council met last Tuesday night. At the meeting there were a number of important discussions and decisions made. One of the major discussions was on the current spiritual temperature of our congregations. For some reason there seems to be much lethargy and apathy displayed toward involvement in ministry. As has been said before, the same few are doing the work of many, and we risk 'burning out' the few. Please pray and seek ways to share the load of our parish ministries. The second major decision from the meeting was to go ahead with quotes to place solar panels on the Rectory. With the Ministry Apprentice finishing early we have found room in the budget to reduce our energy bill in the long term. The Parish Council also committed money to the Myanmar Flood Disaster Relief Appeal, and Anglican Aid's 'Forced to Flee' Appeal for displaced people in sub-Saharan Africa. Various other parish matters were also discussed, and if you are interested you are welcome to speak with any of our Parish Council to find out more.



**BCA BOX MONTH:** September is BCA Box Collection Month. Please bring your BCA Box Collection boxes in to be counted.



### SCRIPTURE UNION BOYS' CAMP:

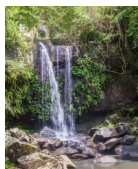
SU NSW is running a Boys' Beach 'n' Bush Bash camp at Scotts Head Christian Youth Centre on 25-27th October for boys year 5-9 at school.

This will be a great chance to get away for the weekend and spend time with other Christian blokes as we encourage each other to learn more about Jesus. You can book at [www.sunsw.org.au/camp-and-mission/boysbeach-n-bush-bash/](http://www.sunsw.org.au/camp-and-mission/boysbeach-n-bush-bash/) or speak to Simon for more details



### CMS SUMMER SCHOOL:

CMS Summer School at North Tamborine for 2025 will be on from 3rd to 8th January next year. It would be wonderful to have a good number from NBA attend this fantastic conference. The guest speaker at the conference will be William Taylor from St Helen's Bishopsgate, London, and will be well worth hearing. Plus there will be a number of CMS Missionary speaking about their international ministries. Please save the date. Registrations will open in September, and speak to Simon or Leone for more information.



### "Joy in Suffering"

#### Today's Readings:

Revelation 6:9-11,7:9-10 (p124)

1 Peter 4:12-19 (p1223)

Matthew 18:15-22 (p985)

#### This Sunday's Sermon Text:

1 Peter 4:12-19 (p1223)

### COMBINED SERVICE:



On **Sunday** September 29 we will be holding a Combined Parish Service. **Both our congregations will meet together at 9am** with a special focus on the work of CMS, Beautiful Feet Sunday.

### 8 am Morning Tea Roster:

Help is needed for one or two Sundays per roster. Please let Leone know if you are able to assist.

### Happy Birthday



**Eloise Grono**

**Wed 18 September**

**David Aber**

**Sat 21 September**

May God bless you both on your special day

### Today's Songs of Praise

@8\*



- \* God is Our Strength and Refuge
- \* Come Thou Fount
- \* Christ is Made the Sure Foundation
- \* Blessed Assurance

@10\* Hallelujah to the King of Kings

- \* Come People of the Risen King
- \* We Remember
- \* Let Your Kingdom Come

**PASTORAL SUPPORT:** Simon and Alison will be away from the Parish on Monday (16th) and Tuesday (17th) this week. Please direct any pastoral calls through the office number which will be monitored by Pam and David. There will be no 'Stay & Play' on Monday the 16th. Simon will be back on Wednesday.



**The Toy & Bake Sale** will be on **NEXT Saturday 21 September 9.00-12.00**

If you are **able to bake** or **have produce that can be sold** on the stall, **please bring to the Op Shop** or **Parish Office** by **Friday 16 August** or **deliver to the stall by 9am** on the day.



Send Good News and Great Joy!

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Appeal:**

Boxes will be picked up this Wednesday to take to Coffs for delivery. Please bring your filled boxes to the church or office. If you have any further queries, please contact Jean Maher.