

VISITORS! A special welcome to you. We hope that you feel at home with us. Please join in a cuppa and fellowship after the service.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, You led the wise men by the shining of a star to adore Your Son. Guide the nations by His light, so that the whole world sees Your glory. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS - SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN WEBINAR Thursday 24 January 7 pm in the Church Hall, duration 1.5 hours. The big screen will be set up and access arranged for the group so there is no need for anyone to try their hand at the technology lucky dip. Participation is a requirement to complete the training for everyone who attended the face to face sessions either in September or December last year. Please register your name on the form in the Narthex or phone David Spann 0468968532 who will take care of your registration ."

<u>CAN YOU HELP?</u> Kay is starting a project in the New Year and she is looking for used greeting cards including Christmas. If you would like to recycle your cards, could you please leave them in Kay's pigeon hole. Thanks.

<u>MAINLY MUSIC</u> Clontarf needs volunteers who can interact with young children and their parents/carers. Musical expertise is not required. Can you make a cuppa? Can you welcome people? Can you spare 2 hours on a Thursday morning once a fortnight? mainly music Clontarf needs you! Enquiries to Elke at Church Office: 38831144.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Our heavenly Father has rescued us from darkness, and brought us into His wonderful light through His Son Jesus Christ. In the power of the Spirit of Truth, we pray to God that His light may shine in the darkness of our world.

In our prayers:

- * all nations, that the light of Christ shines on them, and that leaders and people pursue peace and justice;
- * all affected by war or disaster, including those who have been affected by drought, flooding, fire, tsunami (including in Indonesia), war (including in Yemen, South Sudan, Somalia, Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Mexican Drug War); and for God's guiding and blessing on all who seek to help (including Australian Lutheran World Service);
- * all affected by abuse, for help to all who have been hurt, justice for all who are victims, and for repentance in all who have caused harm in word and deed;
- * all who travel and all returning to work, for guiding and protection, and a desire to live with thankful hearts seeking to do God's will;
- * the church on earth: for God's guiding and blessing on those who pass on the apostolic message of the gospel, and also on all missionaries both in other countries and here at home;
- * all who serve as leaders in the church that hearts are focused on God's Word, and that deeds truly match the faith expressed in words;
- * local Christian Congregations (including Axis Peninsula and Church on the Bay);
- * our Community of Grace including prayers for God's guiding on the year ahead;
- * all preparing for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, or Marriage;
- * the sick, the housebound, and all recovering from surgery or illness (including Anneli Marttila, and others we know);
- all who mourn the death of loved ones that together we rejoice in God's gift of life in Christ Jesus;

Prayer points for Bulletin: If you wish to have any specific prayer points added, please send to Pastor Mark (<u>mark.brinkmann@lca.org.au</u>) by Wednesday morning, 9am. Please also note Privacy Act and need to have permission from people.



Last weeks Birthdays

1st January 2nd January Doug Fraser Snow Itzstein



Happy Anniversary

Last weeks Anniversaries: 3rd January Gord

Gordon & Gillian Middleton