



KNITTING CIRCLE

The **next gathering** will be on **this Wednesday July 19th** in the **Maheno Room** from 9:30am. All

are welcome to come along. Those of us who don't know how to knit or crochet can come along for a chat, or even better, learn a new craft! Wouldn't that be grand! See you there!



CAKE STALL NEXT SUNDAY THE 23RD!

Our famous cake stall is next Sunday So please cook as many cakes and sweets this week as you can for this important fundraising ministry. It is so greatly appreciated! Thankyou!



GOODIES FOR GOODNA

Goodna Parish has updated what they need to best support their local community, so please see if you can donate some of the following items:

Shampoo, deodorant, dishwashing detergent, toilet paper, tissues, kids snacks, UHT milk, or money to purchase eggs on the day the goods are delivered to Goodna. Please **do not** donate the eggs themselves as donations are delivered monthly.



Parish Soup Night

6pm Friday 28th July
in the Maheno Room.
Cost \$10 per person.

That time of year is upon us where a hearty bowl of soup warms up our cold bones. Come along to a fellowship event hosted by the St John's Social Committee. The usual sign up sheet is at the rear of the church, it would be great to see you there.

16th July 2023

7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7.30AM—EUCCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCCHARIST

ST JOHN
THE BAPTIST
—EST. 1888—
ANGLICAN CHURCH
IN THE HEART OF BULIMBA



GOOD GROUND - BY MALCOLM GUILTE

I love your simple story of the Sower,
With all its close attention to the soil,
Its movement from the knowledge to the knower,
Its take on the tenacity of toil.

I feel the fall of seed a Sower scatters,
So equally available to all,
Your story takes me straight to all that matters,
Yet understands the reasons why I fall.

Oh deepen me where I am thin and shallow,
Uproot in me the thistle and the thorn,
Keep far from me that swiftly snatching shadow,
That seizes on your seed to mock and scorn.

O break me open, Jesus, set me free,
Then find and keep your own good ground in me.

[Source: malcolmguite.wordpress.com](https://malcolmguite.wordpress.com)

Picture: Van Gogh The Sower 1888

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THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY	19th	9.30am	Knitting Circle
FRIDAY	21st	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	23rd	7.30am	Eucharist
		9.00am	Eucharist and Children's Church
		9.00-noon	Cake Stall

ROSTERED DUTIES 23/7	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s	Roslyn/Felicity	Roland/Donovan
MUSIC	Wendy	Wendy
READERS	Vanessa/Felicity	Swanson Family
INTERCESSOR	Linda M	Swanson Family
MORNING TEA		
WELCOMERS	Allan T/Sue G	Volunteer
AUDIO VISUAL	Allan T	Allan S
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READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O Lord; you have the words of eternal life.

John 6.63, 68

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Bountiful God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word: by your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy, and to live according to it, that we may grow in faith and hope and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: GENESIS 25.19–34 ANN WINFIELD MEL HUMPHREYS

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, 'If it is to be this way, why do I live?' So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, 'Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger.' When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterwards his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, 'Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!' Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.' Esau said, 'I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?' Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.' So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

PSALM 119.105–112

105. Your word is a lantern to my feet: and a light to my path.

106. I have vowed and sworn an oath: to keep your righteous judgements.

107. I have been afflicted beyond measure:

Lord, give me life according to your word.

**108. Accept, O Lord, the freewill offerings of my mouth:
and teach me your judgements.**

109. I take my life in my hands continually: yet I do not forget your law.

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ◇ The Anglican Church of Canada
- ◇ The Diocese of Newcastle: †Peter Stuart; Assistant Bishops - †Sonia Roulston, †Charlie Murry; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ◇ The Parish of Nambour: Ralph Bowles - Locum, Theodor Svensen, John Graham-Freeman
- ◇ Retired Bishops
- ◇ The Glennie School, Toowoomba: Principal - Mary Anne Evans; Chaplain - Sharon Mitchell; Chair of School Council - Paddy Nicholls; members of School Council; staff & students

Pray for those in need:

Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Douglas, Kerry, Helena, Roy, Williamson Family, Rev Helen Phillips, Helen, Rev Paul Bland, Joan, Pam, Laurie, Lionel, Val, Garry, Dorothy, Gary, Bob.

Prayer at the time of choosing an Archbishop.

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy give your Church in this Diocese a shepherd after your own heart, who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. May your Church be built up and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer for our New Rector

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

In Memory

July 16th-July 23rd

Neville John Hazell (2008) Elsie Shirlaw (1993)
Edna Coffey (2010) Peter Alan Cameron (1976)
Ida Grace Collin (1987) Kristopher Lee Hembury (2009)

**110. The wicked have laid a snare for me:
but I have not strayed from your precepts.**

111. Your commands are my inheritance for ever: they are the joy of my heart.

**112. I have set my heart to fulfil your statutes:
always, even to the end.**

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8.1–11

JUNE PARKER DONOVAN SPARKS

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 13.1–9, 13.18–23 Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!' 'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

BIBLE 360



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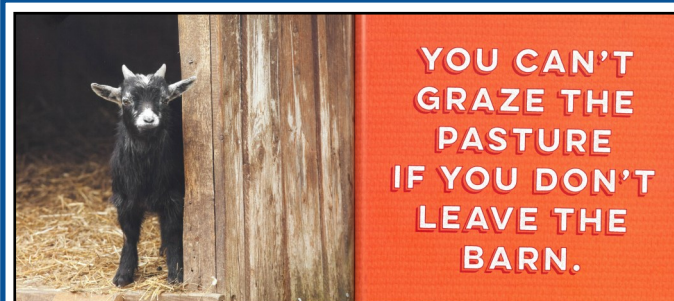
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Matthew 13:23

