

Pentecost

I wonder what else the disciples did in the weeks between Jesus resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. We know at first they locked themselves away and we know some of them went fishing. We know there were eleven occasions when they met the risen Lord Jesus, and he talked with them, ate with them, taught them, promised them the Holy Spirit, commissioned them and finally ascended to heaven before their eyes.

We know they all joined together constantly in prayer until the Spirit was poured out upon them in great power and then they couldn't contain themselves as they supernaturally proclaimed the praises of God and fearlessly preached the good news of Jesus. The world was never the same!

So as we approach the feast of Pentecost in the church's calendar it is a good time to ask ourselves: How well do I know the power of that same Holy Spirit who dwells in God's people? How much do I thirst and long for more of God's actual presence in my life?

There is always more God has for us – Paul says continually be filled with the Spirit.

Are we content with less?

Here's a prayer I dare us to pray every day for the next 4 weeks!

O Holy Spirit of the living God
In my life be wild and free
Uphold me and upset me, strengthen me and weaken me
Stop me and stir me, teach me and test me
Make me more like Christ, Make me fully human
Whether it be the cross of the crown
May your mercy and your might flood me and fill me
So that I long for God all the more

Amen

(From Russ Parker- wild Spirit of the living God)

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*Please
stay
for a
cuppa &
chat
after the
service*



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Weekly Newsletter

12th May 2019

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Tea Gardens & Bulahdelah

Today's Readings: 1 Peter 3, Matthew 5:1-16

'Liberated to witness and serve'

Next week's readings 1 Peter 4, Matt 24:1-14

Karuah

Lectionary Readings, as per handout



Good Morning and we warmly welcome all who have come to worship God with us today and trust that you will be blessed through having spent this time together. We invite you to stay for a cuppa and chat after the service.

WHAT'S COMING UP TODAY

St Andrew's, Tea Gardens
8am Holy Communion
5pm ALPHA Course

St Columba's, Karuah
8.30am Prayer, Praise & Proclamation

St John's, Bulahdelah
10.15am Morning Prayer

NEXT WEEK

St Andrew's, Tea Gardens
8am Holy Communion
5pm ALPHA Course

St Columba's, Karuah
8.30am Holy Communion

St John's, Bulahdelah
10.15am Prayer, Praise & Proclamation

AGED CARE SERVICES MAY

Wednesday 15, 10.30am
Peter Sinclair Gardens, H. Nest

Friday 17, 11.00am
Cedar Wharf Lodge, Bulahdelah

Tuesday 28, 10.30am
Estia Health, Tea Gardens
See Robert Marsh for more information

If you did not receive the 2019 Parish Directory last week, please collect your copy from the Foyer.



For your daily PRAYERS MISSIONS

This week: SRE Bulahdelah, Tea Gardens & Karuah and BCCEA.
Local: Sue Hare & family
Next week:: Minnis family, CrossView

MEN'S WEEKEND-17-18 May

All information and Application forms are in the foyer.

Theme: Experiencing God
Speaker: Nathan Killick, Snr Pastor, Camden Park Anglican.

Venue has been moved to a Day conference at ANew church New Lambton Friday evening 17th and all day Saturday 18th May.

Enquiries: Steve Parsons 0408116255 or steve.parsons@tpg.com.au



Thursday 16 & 30 May 10am Men's Coffee at Tillermans, See Andrew, Tea Gardens

ALPHA Course
Sunday at 5pm
St Andrew's, Tea Gardens
Tuesday 5pm
Ison's House, Bulahdelah

Friday 17-Saturday 18 May Men's Weekend at ANew church, New Lambton



BCA CENTENARY



Cathedrals across Australia will observe the Centenary of the Bush Church Aid Society (BCA) at special Services on **Sunday 26th May 2019. The Newcastle celebration on that day will take place in Christ Church Cathedral at 6pm with Choral Evensong.** The guest preacher will be The Rev'd David Crain, Interim National Director of BCA. The Bishop of Newcastle, The Rt Rev'd Dr Peter Stuart will be present and speak prior to giving The Blessing. The Service will be followed by a "bring and share" light supper, with a presentation of short two minute BCA Centenary videos.

Op Shop Hours
Bulahdelah—St John's
Mondays 8.30am-1pm
Fridays 8.30am-3pm

Karuah—St Columba's
Thursdays-Saturdays
8.30am-12.30pm

Tea Gardens- St Andrew's
Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays
8.30am-12.30pm

ACTIVITIES FOR 2019 Bible Studies & Prayer Groups

St John's
Fridays 9am for 9.30am at Bea Weekes, Contact Maureen Guthrie-Horwill, Ph 0414 183 808.
Alternate Fridays 1:30pm KYB at Bea Weekes. Contact Meryl Ph 0429 647 393

St Andrew's
Wednesdays 1pm 'Women of God'. Using Life Guide Study Book. Call or see Melle 0421 636 000 for more information.
Wednesdays KYB 4pm at Melle's house—Anyone wanting to grow in their faith & understanding are welcome. See Jan Weightman or Ph 4997 0621.

Prayer
Thursdays each week, 4pm, St Andrew's. See Gloria Ph 4997 1927 for more information.

Scripture at Tea Gardens school
We are still looking for some more teachers and helpers to join the team. Please see Jan Weightman or Ph 4997 0621 if you can help.

BANKING DETAILS: Enquiries Treasurer, Andrew Sillar We encourage regular manual bank deposit or monthly internet banking direct deposit to:
Anglican Parish of Bulahdelah Tea Gardens, BSB 705077, Account No. 00040525