

Human life is precious to God, and all people are made in his image.

You may have heard of the recent introduction of the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill to NSW Parliament. This bill will endanger the lives of many of the most vulnerable in our society if it passes. The Social Issues Committee of the Sydney Anglican Diocese has prepared a <u>briefing paper</u> on this important issue.

A parliamentary inquiry into the Bill is being held. The inquiry has set up a short online survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XRQNHFZ to find out what people think about this issue.

The survey asks for your name, email address and postcode, whether you support or oppose the Bill, and allows you to make a comment of up to 300 words.

<u>8 Reasons to Oppose Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD)</u> outlines some arguments opposing voluntary assisted dying. If these reflect your views, you might like to put some of them in your own words in your response. Please don't copy-and-paste, as the Inquiry will not accept pro-forma submissions.

Some hard copies of the briefing paper and list of 8 reasons against Voluntary Assisted Dying will be available at church.

- Sam Pursell

Prayers

CURRENT PRAYERS

People in need

Bob & Margaret Abrahams, Marlene Arthur, Jean Beetles, Olga & John Covetz, Jan Crook, Sherida & Gary Findell, Auriel & Barrie Hadley, Raija & Robert Hannam, Pauline Kirby, Joy Meyer, Pam Moore, Charlie October, Paduch family, Allan Quinn, Merv Sercombe, Sue Simpson, Sandra & Hanno Stanojevic, Eileen Stokes, Mary Straughan, Betty Uren, Greg & Sue Vickery, Chris & John Wilson.

Cleo Smith

Give thanks and praise to God for the safe discovery of Cleo Smith in WA. Pray for Cleo, the family and community in the aftermath of this event.

Police Service

Pray for all our Police Officers and support staff across the Nation.

Give thanks for men and woman who have given their lives and risked their safety in service to the people of Australia.

Ministries Resuming

Give thanks to the good start of Kids' Church and Kids' Club last week.

Pray for Refuge and TOTs also resume. Pray that many will reconnect now that in-person meetings have resumed.

Pray for all the leadership teams as they cope with restrictions.

HSC Exams

As HSC exams begin on Tuesday, 9th November, pray that students will have keen understanding, retentive memories and the ability to grasp questions correctly.

REGULAR PRAYERS (CYCLE 4 0F 4)

Government

Our Mayor and those serving in local government.

World Focus

USA, Afghanistan, North Korea, Iran.

Mission to Seafarers.

Mission Partners

Roger and Amanda Kyngdon, working with BCA in Newman, WA.

Word Ministry Training

Mary Andrew's College and Sydney Missionary & Bible College (SMBC).

Diocesan Leadership

Our Archbishop and our Bishop.

Children and Youth Ministry

Refuge, our youth group.

Adult Ministry

Bible Study groups.

Local Evangelism

Outreach to people in all families in our communities.

Special Needs

Mental illness and dementia sufferers.

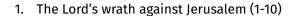
Mobile Community Pantry

Pray for the Volunteer team and all those who shop each fortnight.

Give thanks for the generous community support.

Contact our Prayer Coordinator, Geoff Kyngdon with any prayer requests or if you wish to be part of the the prayer chain. He can be contacted on either 0417 044 565 or geoff.kyngdon@oakflatsanglican.com.

Lamentations 2: Responding to God's wrath Lamentations 2:1-22 Sam Pursell • 7th November 2021



2. Who can heal her? (11-17)

3. Cry out to the Lord (18-22)

4. Respond to God's wrath

Next Sunday...

Meal Clean Up:

'Speaking hope to despair' • Lamentations 3:1-40 • Sam Pursell

THE PEOPLE WHO ARE SERVING US

R Hannam

9.30am Service	7th Nov	14th Nov	5pm Service	7th Nov	14th Nov
Welcomer:	R Eton	M Klasson	Welcomer:	J Orange	D Rainey
Bible Reader:	K Eton	D Young	Bible Reader:	M Peters	S Stanojevic
Prayer Leader:	D Young	P Pratt	Prayer Leader:	D Orange	M Peters
Kids' Program:	D & R	P & G	Afternoon Tea:	R Slocombe	M Peters
	Slocombe	Taylor	Meal Clean Up:	D Slocombe	D Rainey
Morning Tea:	C Bonnici/ B Mayhew	R Eton/ J Orange			

Cleaning Saturday: A & M Peters **Mowing Saturday:** P Pratt/R Siles

D Slocombe

CHURCH NEWS

Parish Picnic

POSTPONED due to weather. New date TRA

Men's Dinner

Tuesday 9th November, with doors opening at 6.30pm and dinner served at 7pm. Guest speaker is Ben Pakula. Registration is essential - either online or talk to Val

Ladies' Craft Afternoon

Saturday 13th November from 2pm to 4pm. We will be completing a special Christmas craft. Afternoon tea will be provided. Please register online or with Coralie/Val

Mission Giving

Recently two envelopes marked for 'BCA' and 'CMS' were left on Val's desk in the office. If you know anything about this, please talk to Val or Geoff.

Southern Cross Magazine

The latest issue of Southern Cross is available online at magazine.sydneyanglicans.net.

COVID Safety Practices

A reminder that:

- everyone is required to check in via the Service NSW QR Code (you will need a smart phone) or manually via a form upon arrival.
- · all are welcome regardless of vaccination status.
- masks need to be worn indoors
- · there will be no congregation singing
- maintain physical distancing of 1.5m where possible.
- · frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned after each service

BIRTHDAYS

7th Christina Paduch

FINANCIAL UPDATE

(YTD 4 November 2021)

Income \$182,745 (includes Government grants worth \$29,250)

Expenses \$164,488

Difference \$18,257

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