



## Preparing for the unavoidable

This week I succumbed to what seemed to be inevitable – I caught COVID. Thankfully my symptoms have been not as bad as many others have experienced.

It brings to mind the experience I had recently at a relative's funeral. Before the time comes, we all need to grapple with the reality of death. Death crashes into our aspirations and achievements, and cuts short the best laid plans. It may come when things are rotten, or when things are great. Whether expected or unexpected, we cannot avoid it.

In Luke 12:13-21, Jesus warns some squabbling brothers fighting over receiving the inheritance of their presumably recently deceased father.

*'Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.'*

How little things have changed! We gain more possessions and wealth in the hope we may have 'life.' Jesus tells a pointed story, where a rich farmer has a bumper harvest, and think's he has it made.

*'And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."*

But these words reverberate:

*"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'*

*"This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."*

Are you prepared for the biggest life-altering event? Have you invested wisely in a sure hope, in reconciling with God through Christ, and living for him? Or is your greatest hope in life something which will simply be given to someone else?

- Sam Pursell

# Church News

## Term 3 Rosters

The rosters for all those serving have been emailed. Please make sure you check your inbox to find out when you are serving.

Paper copies are available on the welcoming table.

## Children & Youth programs

During school holidays our normal children's and youth programs take a break until after Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

## Pursell family on holidays

Sam, Susan and the kids will be away from **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**.

Our Wardens (Dave Crook, Andy Peters and Peter Taylor) will be the point of contact during this time.

## Birthdays

28<sup>th</sup> Andy Peters  
29<sup>th</sup> Robyn Thomas  
30<sup>th</sup> Jenny Orange  
Mary Pursell



You will seek me  
and find me when  
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JEREMIAH 29:13

## Financial Update (YTD 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022)

Income \$76,321

Expenses \$81,057

Difference **-\$4,736**

## The people who are serving us

9.30am Service	26 <sup>th</sup> June	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	5pm Service	26 <sup>th</sup> June	3 <sup>rd</sup> July
<b>Welcomer:</b>	J Klasson	D & J Orange	<b>Welcomer:</b>	E Stokes	S Stanojevic
<b>Bible Reader:</b>	J Orange	P Moore	<b>Bible Reader:</b>	M Peters	E Hick
<b>Prayer Leader:</b>	V O'Regan	J Mills	<b>Prayer Leader:</b>	P Taylor	V O'Regan
<b>Kids' Program:</b>	P & G Taylor	N/A	<b>Afternoon Tea:</b>	G Taylor	R Slocombe
<b>Morning Tea:</b>	B Mayhew/ G Taylor	C Bonnici/ G Taylor	<b>Meal Clean Up:</b>	P Taylor	D Slocombe
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**Saturday Cleaning:** D & J Orange/J Evans

**Saturday Mowing:** N/A

*'Called Out'*

# **Characteristics of Christian ministry**

**1 Corinthians 4:1-21**

**Sam Pursell • 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

1. Servants and stewards of Christ (1-7)

2. Scum of the earth (8-13)

3. Spiritual fathers (14-21)

***Next Sunday...***

'Be a holy church' • Geoff Kyngdon • Readings: Leviticus 18:1-10 & 1 Corinthians 5:1-13

# Information about our Church

## Your kids are welcome

Children are welcome to stay with you during church. Kids church starts roughly 15 mins into the 9:30am service (during school terms).

You may also take your child to the Cry Room at the rear of the church to watch us live on a TV.

## Check out our bookstall

View our quality selection of Christian books for sale at the bookstall located at the rear of the church.

## Join a Bible study group

Our midweek Bible study groups are great for connecting with others. To join a group, contact the office.

## We are filming church

(9:30am service only)

For those unable to attend, we are streaming and recording video at [live.oakflatsanglican.com](http://live.oakflatsanglican.com).

You may be filmed.

## Kids and Youth programs

In school terms, we offer a range of midweek programs for toddlers, children and youth.

## Weekly prayer meeting

Saturday, 7:30am (online via Zoom)

A time to share, to encourage, and to pray for one another. Come join us and experience and power of prayer!

Contact Geoff Kyngdon for details.

Scan for the online 'Contact Us' form



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## GIVE ELECTRONICALLY - BANK DETAILS

**Name:** Oak Flats Anglican **BSB:** 633 000 **Account:** 164 385 841

# Prayers

## CURRENT PRAYERS

### People in need

Lenore Armour's niece (Tamara), Jean Beetles, Olga & John Covetz, Dave & Jan Crook, Auriel & Barrie Hadley, Raija & Robert Hannam, Joy Meyer, Pam Moore, Paduch family, Sam Pursell, Allan Quinn, Merv Sercombe, Sue Simpson, Mary Straughan, Betty Uren, Greg & Sue Vickery, Chris & John Wilson.

### The World

- Ukraine conflict.
- Food security across the world, especially in Africa.
- Christian churches and leaders in Europe.

### Our World

- Our Rural Sector and the communities that support them.
- Rural churches and leaders.
- Christian leaders for wisdom and boldness to speak up against injustice and anti-Christian legislation.
- Economic impact of inflation on the vulnerable

### Local Mission

- Outreach initiatives such as SRE, Playmakers and Pantry.
- The lost in our Region.
- Young Families

### Our Church

- Irregular Attendees - Young Families
- Sam Pursell, Pam Moore and others who have been affected by COVID
- Sunday services.
- The kids and leaders involved in our Children & Youth ministries.
- School holidays & travel.

## REGULAR PRAYERS (CYCLE 1 OF 4)

### Government

Our Queen, The United Nations, other major governments.

### World Focus

The continent of Africa.

The persecuted church.

### Mission Partners

Adrian and Anita Lovell, training Christian leaders in Bolivia.

Grahame and Patty Scarratt, providing distance training for Word ministers in Latin America.

### Organisations We Support

Church Missionary Society (CMS).

### Word Ministry Training

Moore Theological College.

### Staff and Senior Leadership

Our Minister Sam Pursell, his wife Susan and their kids Ed, Mary and Angela.

### Children and Youth Ministry

Playmakers, our playgroup for toddlers.

### Adult Ministry

Our ministry to seniors.

### Local Evangelism

Our schools ministry - scripture (SRE).

### Special Needs

Those who are poor and needy.

The growth of the gospel among our Indigenous communities.

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