



## Train to be godly

*Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. (1 Timothy 4:7-8)*

The cycling world championships are underway in Wollongong. You might have seen some of the international competitors around the place. Riders from the USA and the Spanish team have even been spotted in Oak Flats. You can just tell that these are athletes and not just people 'out for a bike ride.'

We all know the benefits of keeping healthy, and some of us may enjoy the challenge of training and competing in various sports. But such things are limited in their effect. No matter how much we cycle, pump iron, or practice our lawn bowling skills our bodies will degrade and die.

But pursuing godliness is a form of training which cannot be taken away from us, and we can get better and better at it all our lives. Purpose, effort, persistence are needed in sport, which is of some value. How much greater is the reward for training in godliness which is eternal.

Perhaps the chance for you to compete in the cycling world championships has passed you by (yes, there were national age-graded masters events too). But do not worry, instead train in godliness which impacts all things for good, in this life and into eternity.

- Sam Pursell

# Church News

## Children & Youth programs

During school holidays our normal children's and youth programs take a break until after Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

Colouring sheets will be available for children at our services.

## BCA Boxes due

If you've been collecting coins for **Bush Church Aid (BCA)** please return them for counting as September is the collection month.

## Holiday Kids Club

On Friday **7<sup>th</sup> October, from 9am to 3pm**, it's our big Holiday Kids Club, for kids aged K to 6.

Registration is now fully booked!

Please be praying for the leadership team and the kids!



## Birthdays

## Anniversaries

## Financial Update (YTD 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022)

Income \$122,944

Expenses \$130,195

Difference **-\$7,251**

### The people who are serving us

9.30am Service	25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	5pm Service	25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct
Welcomer:	P Moore/ V O'Regan	J & M Klasson	Welcomer:	D Slocombe V O'Regan	E Stanojevic S Stanojevic
Bible Reader:	R Slocombe	P Moore	Bible Reader:	R Hannam	G Kyngdon
Prayer Leader:	D Young	D Orange	Prayer Leader:	R Slocombe	E Stokes
Kids' Church:	P & G Taylor	N/A	Afternoon Tea:	D Slocombe	A Peters
Morning Tea:	C Bonnici/ M Klasson	J Orange/ R Slocombe	Meal Clean Up:		M Peters
Meal Clean Up:	D Slocombe	K Eton	Dinner:		

Saturday Cleaning: D & J Orange/J Evans

Saturday Mowing: R Siles/D Slocombe

***‘WISDOM FOR LIFE’***

# **The wise king and queen**

**Proverbs 31:1-31**

**Sam Pursell • 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

1. The King

2. The Queen

3. Christ and Us

***Next Sunday...***

*‘Transparency Revealed’* • Geoff Kyngdon • Readings: Philippians 2:1-11 & Psalm 139

# 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

### The World

Ukraine and the serious attempted escalation by Russia.

All leaders of nations and NATO.

UN and US involvement.

Christians and church leaders

### Our World

All leaders.

Christian leaders in the face of serious opposition.

Gender issues and our children.

The Republican debate and how we might view it.

March 2023 State Election.

### Our Ministries

Holiday Kids Club on Friday 7th October.

The lost in our communities.

SRE challenges now and into 2023.

Bible Study Groups.

### Our People

Special needs.

Sam Pursell and the preached word.

Outreach attitudes.

Our families.

### People in need

Olga & John Covetz, Dave & Jan Crook, Auriel & Barrie Hadley, Robert & Raija Hannam, Pauline Kirby, Joy Meyer, Allan Quinn, Merv Sercombe, Mary Straughan, Chris & John Wilson.

## REGULAR PRAYERS (CYCLE 2 OF 4)

### Government

The Prime Minister and our federal politicians.

### World Focus

The continent of Europe.

The persecuted church.

### Mission Partners

Matthew Meek, ministry to overseas university students with AFES in Wollongong and beyond.

### Organisations We Support

Evangelism and New Churches and the director, Phil Wheeler, and the fruit of our regular gifts to purchase new church land.

### Word Ministry Training

Youthworks College.

### Staff and Senior Leadership

Valerie O'Regan (Parish Administrator).

### Children and Youth Ministry

Kids' Club.

### Adult Ministry

Men's and Women's ministry.

### Local Evangelism

Local Anglican Parishes.

### Special Needs

Those serving in the defence forces, including chaplains.

### Other Regular Matters

Former members of our church currently in Word ministry roles.