



Shaky Ground?

The normality of the natural world provides us with a predictability in everyday life. Sun comes up, sun goes down and gravity keeps us grounded! These things stay the same because God maintains them like that, but the Bible tells us a day will come when what seems so permanent will be shaken. What will happen on that day?

The writer of Hebrews recalls a time when God's voice from heaven shook the earth at Mt Sinai and filled the hearers with fear and awe, but then he says, quoting from Haggai 2:6:

...but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.". This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire. (Heb 12:26-29)

The writer's point is that in this next shaking, there will be not so much a destruction but a transformation where sin and evil will be eradicated and only righteousness remain.

Peter says:

*...according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth **in which righteousness dwells.** (2 Pet 3:13)*

As citizens of the new heavens and new earth by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and being clothed in His righteousness means we are no longer on shaky ground! Here is every encouragement for us to be what we are in Him!

- Phil Pratt

Church News

Ladies Dinner - first for 2026!

Join us for our first Ladies Dinner of the year this **Tuesday, 17th February at 6:30pm** in the church.

Please sign up to bring a meal or dessert or see Coralie to see how you can help.

Cost is \$10 if no meal is brought.

We'd love to see you there!

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Our AGM will be held on **Sunday 8th March** after the morning service, at 11am in the church.

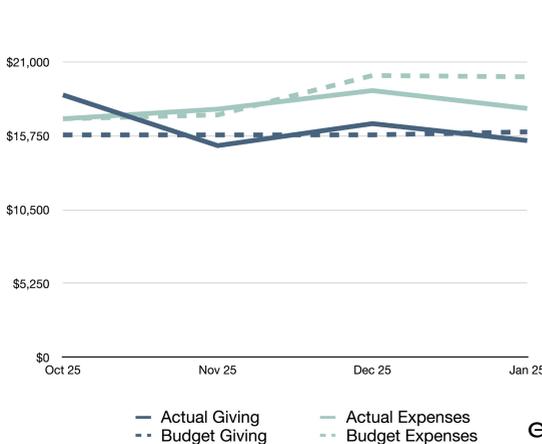
We will be electing representatives for Wardens, Parish Council, Synod Representatives & Parish Nominators.

Note: Wardens & Parish Councillors are required to have completed accredited Safe Ministry training.

Mission Partner Update

The latest newsletter from our mission partner, The Shoalhaven Aboriginal Community Church (ShACC) is available for pickup from the table underneath the noticeboard.

Finance Update (to 31 January 2026)



January Giving

We fell behind the budget by \$620



Giving Year to date

We fell behind the budget by \$620

Give Electronically

BANK DETAILS

Name: Oak Flats Anglican

BSB: 633 000

Account: 164 385 841

Serving Roster

Saturday

21st February

Cleaning:

A & M Peters

Mowing:

N/A

Sunday

15th February

Welcomer:

J & M Klasson

Bible Reader:

A Bentink

Prayer Leader:

J Stavert

Morning Tea:

J Mills/R Slocombe

MT Clean Up:

D Slocombe

Kids Church:

R Hannam

22nd February

E & R Stanojevic

J Evans

D Young

P Forrester/B Irwin

A Peters

V O'Regan

Luke's Gospel

God justifies the humble

Luke 18:9-14

Sam Pursell • 15th February 2026

1. Confident and contemptuous (v. 9)

2. Two approaches to God (v. 10-13)

3. How to be accepted by God (v. 14)

Next Sunday...

'Receive the kingdom like a child' • Sam Pursell • Readings: Isaiah 66:1-2 & Luke 18:15-17

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 service (during school terms).

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

For those unable to attend, we are streaming and recording video at 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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Prayers

CURRENT PRAYERS

Our People

Support and encouragement in trying times for our younger families. Our younger members.

Our older saints dealing with the pressures of aging

People in need: Carmen Bonnici, Bronwyn Clark, John & Olga Covetz, David & Jan Crook, Kevin & Ruth Eton, Barrie & Auriel Hadley, Robert & Raija Hannam, Pauline Kirby, Graeme & Marianne Krout, Pam Moore & family, Debbie Paget, O'Regan family, Merv & Nola Sercombe, Eileen Stokes, Allan Quinn, Helen Wagemans, John Wilson.

Gospel Outreach Efforts

Playmakers, Pantry, Kids Club, Refuge & SRE.

For a solid start and hearts open to the Gospel.

Making non-Church attendees feel welcome. Reaching their families.

Church Children's programs.

World Matters

Peace amid conflict and confusion.

Ukraine and Russia, the Middle East, Iran, Central America, and the United States.

For an end to violence and unrest.

For truth, justice, and wisdom to guide nations and their leaders.

That international bodies and world leaders would act with integrity, restraint, and a genuine desire for peace.

REGULAR PRAYERS (Cycle 3 of 4)

Church ministries

Kids Church, Kids Club, Playmakers playgroup.

Youth ministry.

School Scripture (SRE).

Bible Study groups.

Pilates & Praise.

Anglicare Community Pantry.

Women's and Men's ministry.

Ministry to seniors.

Members unable to attend church

Those house-bound or living in nursing homes including Margaret Abrahams, Olga Covetz, Lily Lyddiard, Pat Pepper, Merv Sercombe, Sandra Stanojevic.

Staff & Senior Leadership

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

Valerie O'Regan (Parish Administrator).

Wardens and Parish Councillors.

Diocesan Leadership

Archbishop of Sydney, Kanishka Raffel.

Bishop of Wollongong, Peter Hayward.

Church members

Debbie Paget

Andy & Magda Peters

Phil & Coralie Pratt

Sam, Susan, Ed, Mary & Angela Pursell

Allan Quinn