



Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing Sunday 12 September 2021

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Readings

12th September 19th September

Proverbs 1: 20 - 33 Proverbs 31: 10 - 31

Psalm 19 Psalm 1

James 3: 1 - 12 James 3: 13 - 4: 3, 7-8a12

Mark 8: 27 - 38 Mark 9: 30 - 37

G'day folks,

I hope you are well and enjoying this lovely Season of Creation.

I read a great story on the ABC this week from Quilpie in Western Queensland. I don't know if you've been to Quilpie, but it's a great little town (shame about the coffee). I have a fondness for that region and the amazing sunsets. Well, Quilpie has a great scarecrow festival/competition. Businesses and community groups all make these scarecrows and display them around town. It is so good that it has sparked many copycat competitions around the country (including one in Darwin). The Quilpie show was obviously cancelled last year, but the scarecrows were out in force. Have a google and read the story — be warned, many terribly wonderful puns!

I like a story like that Quilpie scarecrow one. I like activities that bring the community together for a laugh. Laughter is, after all, the best medicine. There is a sense of connection and community that events like this are born from and help foster. These scarecrows are public art and commentary on life. They perform a function that the church does as well. They bring people together to reflect on the state of the world.

I wonder what scarecrow/art installation you would install at your home? What message would you share with your neighbours?

Blessings, Richard

As I mentioned last week, we are in the Season of Creation, and I thought I'd include a prayer from the resources. Please find it below - this week is Humanity Sunday.

God, our Creator, as we reflect on the ways that humans have sought to dominate creation help us to hear the cries of creatures such as the whale. Fill us with your risen power. Help us to serve and preserve our planet home and to celebrate life with people from all lands and nations. In the name of Christ, the Risen Servant, who is the true image of God among us. Amen.



Church Picnic Sunday, October 31st 2021 11am ish (after Church) Watch this space for more details!!

COVID-19 UPDATE

<u>Singing</u> Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship and members of choirs or chorus groups may perform or rehearse indoors, if they wear masks while doing so.

Density requirements and additional directions:

- Density requirement for seated activities is now 3 per 4 square metres. This applies to churches services
- Density requirement for standing activities remains at 1 per 2 square metres
- Gyms and indoor fitness activities remains at 1 per 4 square metres
- Private gatherings in homes remain limited to 20 people
- Weddings, funerals and birthdays are capped at 50 people (at non-residential premises)
- Wearing of masks remains mandatory in high risk settings, personal care and health care services, passenger and public transport, secondary schools, and indoor public places – this includes churches

Churches are advised to continue to follow their updated COVID Safe Plan that they will receive from the government.

Please collect your new directory from the foyer, please return or shred your current copy, thank you.

Locking the Church just a reminder that if you are the last person leaving the church premises could you please ensure all doors are locked. Thankyou Bob Simpson (Property Officer)

PASTORAL CARE

ROSEFIELD PRAYER MEETING - 8:00am Wednesday mornings (online)

A half-hour time of prayer for our church and community. Come online at 8:00 am on Wednesday mornings if you would like to be part of praying for our church, or if you would like prayer (for yourself or someone else) or would like to pray for something on your heart. Everyone is welcome. Scott Hutchinson and Rob Rodenburg. Go to: https://us04web.zoom.us/i/9607672787?pwd=ZVJZeWVPRUIvR2xuZENQVjJlcWk0dz09

The Grove Op Shop

Is in urgent need of Pillows and blankets. Please either leave in the box at church or see Helen or Dave Filby. Thank you in advance.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Red Dove Café Fund Raiser - after church today

Because we cannot have the Royal Show And to the Red Dove Café we cannot go Uniting Church Mission funds are not looking flash So enjoy a cuppa on us and donate some cash.

If you don't have any cash on you today please donate within the next two weeks to:

Rosefield Uniting Church

BSB: 105-125

Account: 462696640 Reference: Red Dove

Rosefield Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast will meet on Tuesday, 14th September at 7:15 am. Our speaker is Robert Taylor, who is a Ngarrindjeri elder whom several of us have got to know through the Kairos Prison Ministry at Mobilong and Kairos Torch Ministry at the Kurlana Tapa Youth Justice Centre. Robert is a man of many parts: he had his own Fringe show in the 2021 Adelaide Fringe Festival and was the lead tenor in performances of the Indigenous opera "Pecan Summer", in the Sydney Opera House and elsewhere; he works as a Family Support Worker with the Salvation Army, particularly mentoring and supporting Aboriginal fathers in their family context. Robert's story is well worthwhile getting up early to come along to hear.

Girl Guides SA Grow a Seed project

Girl Guides South Australia is shining awareness on the significant environmental loss due to the devastating destruction of bushfires. We have made kits that contain all you need to grow a Eucalyptus tree.

The purchase of a seed kit will raise funds to help Girl Guides protect our koalas in bushfire affected areas, and assist our Girl Guides koala rehabilitation program at Douglas Scrub, McLaren Flat.

When your seeds sprout, you can plant the seedling/s yourself or return the seedling in April 2022 to Highgate Girl Guides and we will plant it/them for you at Douglas Scrub.

Each kit costs \$4.95. Wendy will have some kits available for purchase on Sunday.