

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALSTONVILLE

9th July 2017



## THREE FRIDAYS TO GO - READY or NOT?

Reverend Desiree's Commissioning - 6pm Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July followed by refreshments and saying "hello". Why not take the opportunity to invite friends from the community and any you know who have been previously part of our church?

And here is the 4<sup>th</sup> commitment that we are challenged to make following Desiree's commitment to be faithful in presiding at the Lord's table and feeding God's family:

"With you we will present ourselves, wholly and with thanksgiving to be blessed by God in order to be a blessing to others." So let's pray that we too will be faithful in this new relationship with the shepherd of our flock so that together we can be truly God's people of the 21st century.



### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday	9th July	5.00pm - Messy Extra 7.00pm - DVD Discussion Group
Tuesday	11th July	7.30am - Men's & Ladies Breakfast, Ballina
Wednesday	12th July	8.00am - Morning Prayer
Friday	14th July	10.00am - St Barts Holy Communion
Sunday	16th July	9.00am - Combined Service, St Barts

## VALE REVEREND JOHN PARISH

Reverend John, just a few weeks short of 97 years, died in a Nursing Home in Warwick last week following a small stroke the week before. He was Rector of our Parish from 1964 to 1985 and Chaplain to Show Societies from 1980 to 1995. John along with his wife Elsie who predeceased him, were much loved throughout our region. He was a very faithful Minister of the gospel.

John recounted that he was 11 years old when he heard the words in a sermon "grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby you are sealed unto the day of redemption" and said that all through his life he felt the power of these words, by which he was encouraged not to hold back from God's leading so that he would not grieve God's Spirit.

John was a prolific writer of poetry. The following poem entitled MY LAST TESTIMONY was written and placed in a sealed envelope to be opened and read at the conclusion of his funeral service at the graveside. It is indeed his final inspiring and challenging words to us all.

### My Final Testimony

I know that my Redeemer lives,  
What joy this promise daily gives,  
For, Christ has broken death's dark gloom,  
And, for me He has prepared a room,  
That I may be where He shall reign,  
And be with those I love again.

Then, list to me my sister, brother,  
Obey the Lord—love one another,  
Live daily in our Lord's good grace,  
As you pass through this earthly place;  
Repent and know all sins forgiven,  
Our Lord, the veil of death has riven.

So, now my beloved pilgrim friends,  
Mark well and know that this life ends,  
Bursts forth to rest 'neath heavenly glow,  
Where God's great love and grace forever flow;  
While still your earthly life is trod,  
Make sure your soul is right with God.

I AM HIS AND HE IS MINE FOREVER  
*John*

## **MESSY EXTRA**

Want something to do on Sunday? Why not bring the family on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 5.00pm at the Ministry Centre. Enjoy fun and games, good teaching and discussion in a safe environment. There will be separate activities for younger children and finish up with a Pizza meal!  
Cost \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family.

## **FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Will meet for lunch at the Wollongbar Tavern on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July at midday. We will meet in the car park to car pool at 11.45am. Ph Carol Vidal

## **COMMISSIONING SERVICE**

Your assistance is needed—Many hands make light work. Help is needed to set up the church for the Commissioning Service of Reverend Desiree Snyman. Also please indicate if you can help to set up the Ministry Centre from 2pm and pack up after refreshments. Further assistance is needed in the kitchen to clean-up after refreshments. Please indicate on clip boards where you can help. Also, please indicate what food you can contribute for refreshments. For further details contact John Watt.

## **WOMEN'S BREAKFAST**

The men of the parish would like to serve breakfast to the ladies of the parish (and their friends). When: Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 7.30am to approx. 9.00am in the Ministry Centre. Talk: 'How a Teenager Ticks' - by Bruce Fleming. Tickets: \$10.00 at the Parish Office until Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July, and at the services for the two weekends before. Pre-purchase of tickets is essential. No tickets at the door.

## **DVD GROUP MEETING**

On Sunday 9th July at 7.00pm topic - Stop Being Mad at Yourself . If you seem to often ask yourself "What's wrong with me?" or you're quick to put yourself down every little mistake you make, Joyce's teaching can help you to get free from this condemnation. God's not mad at you, so you shouldn't be either!

## **NAME BADGES**

New Name Badges will be ordered soon. If you would like one, please let Fiona know ASAP.

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### Bible Readings:

**9th July**  
16th July

**Romans 7:14-25**  
Romans 8:1-11

**Matthew 11:15-19; 25-30**  
Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23

**Next week's  
Morning Tea:**

**Combined  
9.00am**

Earners & Stones

Please turn off your mobile phone during worship.  
Please note a hearing loop is installed on the right hand side of the church.  
Toilets are located in the front of the Hall - the building next to the Church.  
First Aid Kits are located in the Church & the Hall.