

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALSTONVILLE

*25th June 2017*



## HERE'S OUR SECOND COMMITMENT TO OUR NEW RECTOR. ARE WE UP TO THE CHALLENGE?

In just five weeks from this Friday at our exciting welcome and Commissioning Service for Reverend Desiree, will we be fair dinkum in our response to our new Rector?

Desiree will commit to growing God's church by being "faithful in bringing people to baptism and to new life in Christ".

In response, our commitment will be to support this anticipated growth by "celebrating our life in the Spirit" and by "welcoming those who are baptized and encouraging them by our example and fellowship".

So are you ready for action and attitude? This is truly a time for real renewal of purpose and hope, building on the great foundations and traditions that this family of God have already established.

## COMBINED 9AM SERVICE TO CONTINUE THROUGH JULY

In view of special services in July relating to fare-welling Archdeacon Greg and welcoming Reverend Desiree as well as clergy availability, Parish Council decided this week that the best option was to continue the 9am combined service through July. This service will provide for children. There will be a mixture of 8am and 10am music flavours. Also each week will include hymns already selected for Reverend Desiree's Commissioning Service so that we will all be ready to make that a fantastic worship experience.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS UPDATING LEADERSHIP SKILLS

This weekend members of Parish Council meet for the second day of training as they are led by Sister Lucy in understanding and applying the Enneagram in living into the second great commandment, loving neighbour as loving self. The Enneagram enables insight into our own behaviour and attitudes as well as appreciating differences in personalities, which can lead to the practice of greater tolerance and unity of purpose.

## **Bible Readings:**

**25th June**

2nd July

**Romans 6:1-11**

Romans 6:12-23

**Matthew 10:24-39**

Matthew 10:40-42

## **THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

Monday	26th June	1.00pm - Sew Helpful 10.00am - Study Group - Meeting Room 1
Tuesday	27th June	10.00am - Friendship Group 1.30pm - Study Group - MR 1 - Carol Stone
Wednesday	28th June	10.00am - Maranoa Service 4.00pm - Study Group - Helen Nicholson
Thursday	29th June	9.30am - Play Place 7.30pm - Study Group - Des & Susan Fitzpatrick
Friday	30th June	10.00am - St Barts Holy Communion 6.00pm - Music Group
Sunday	2nd July	9.00am - Holy Communion Service

## **FAREWELL TO VEN GREG & DEL EZZY - SUN 23 JULY.**

Ven Greg will conclude his ministry with us, after 2 1/2 years, on the arrival of Reverend Dr. Desiree Snyman on 28 July.

It is planned to farewell Greg on Sunday 23 July - full details will be advised in coming weeks.

To acknowledge Greg's ministry, a special gift is being organised. If you would like to make a financial contribution toward the gift, please place your gift in an envelope marked "Attention Wardens - Ven Greg's Gift", and either hand in to the office or place in the offertory plate.

## **HELP NEEDED**

Today, 25<sup>th</sup> June, at 12:30pm your help would be greatly appreciated with the pruning of the carpark trees, gathering up the branches and carting them away. Lesley Earner 6628 0140.

## **STOCKTAKE TIME**

To help the storage situation, it is time for leaders and members of all Parish groups to check the shelves/cupboards/spaces where your tools of trade are stored and throw out any non-essential items, books, etc.