

Alstonville Anglicans

Sharing the Good Life

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

23rd September 2018

Mountain Sunday

We acknowledge and pay respects to the traditional custodians of the land, on which we worship, work and meet, the Bundjalung people. I recognize the significant role the past and future Elders play in the life of the region. I am mindful that within and without the beautiful sandstone church, the Land always was and always will be Aboriginal Land.



Mountain refers to the all the mountains on our planet, near our homes and beneath the ocean. This domain includes the various creatures that inhabit the mountains, especially the wild worlds and strange life-forms that fascinate us and celebrate life with us. Mountains are not domains to be conquered, but to be enjoyed, preserved and explored as wondrous worlds of creation. We enter into God's presence in a holy mountain.

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

Today's Gospel Reading: Mark 9:30-37

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³² But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. ³³ Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴ But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵ He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶ Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Worship: Our theme for September is "Creation"

For the month of September we pray for creation. Today is Mountain Sunday.



Messy Church

Messy Church today at 4.00pm. The theme is "Touch".
All welcome!

Sunday@6pm—23rd September

Asking questions, seeking answers. Join us Sunday@6 pm. Come for a cuppa and fellowship at 5.30pm. Everyone welcome!

Church Works

A sincere and heartfelt thanks to the team who have been working so hard all week creating a larger flat worship space at the front of the church.



Operation Christmas Child

Samaritan's Purse is running Operation Christmas Child. Boxes are due back 30th September.

Contemplative Church—Thursdays@6pm

A meditative service that energises and refreshes you for life.
This week Sound Healing.

Prayer Chain

Carol Stone will be leading the Prayer Chain while Lynne Watt is away. Carol's contact details are: 66866787 / 0438158268. You can also call the office during office hours.

Auction of Promises



Put the date in your diary, and invite all your friends for an evening of entertainment, of all kinds, and especially an Auction of Promises. You are guaranteed to have fun, good food, and great company. Saturday 3rd November 2018, 6.30pm, in the Ministry Hall. Tickets are \$15/person. Tickets available from the parish office. Dig out your promises, and contact your friends this week.

Families@4pm—Coming soon!

Families@4 is a new service aimed at young families and those exploring faith for the first time. Services commence Sunday 14th October.



Pet Blessing Sunday 30th September

Bring your pet 8.00am service,
4.00pm Pet Parade and Blessing.
There will be prizes on offer so dress up your pet!
Everyone welcome!

Life Group

Our home group would like to invite new members. At present we are studying "The Life of Christ". We meet at 1.30pm on Tuesdays at Ballina Heights. On offer: good company, discussion and a cuppa in a comfortable environment. If interested contact Carol Stone on 66866787



110th Birthday Celebration

There is an open invitation to celebrate Rev Desiree and Graham Ireland's birthdays. 110 in total!! The Federal Hotel, Alstonville, Monday 1st October 12 noon.

Rosters—Sunday 30th September

Thank you to all volunteers assisting with Worship (5th Sunday team).

Worship Leader: Charlie Handley

Music: Carol Vidal **Cleaning:** Di Westall & Di Mueller **Sound:** Graham Ireland

Flowers: Leone Frogley, Christine Woodhead, Ruth Campbell

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We give thanks to God for those who contribute to sharing the good life through this church electronically. **ESB: 705 077 / Acc: 40130**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday	24th Sept	10.00am	Life Group (in recess)
		1.00pm	Sew Helpful
Tuesday	25th Sept	1.30pm	Life Group at Carol Stone's home
		6.00pm	Life Group with Rev Desiree (in recess)
Wednesday	26th Sept	9.00am	Meditation Group, St Bart's
		10.00am	Maranoa Service
		11.00am	Maranoa Service
		4.30pm	Executive, Meeting Room
Thursday	27th Sept	9.30am	Play Place, Ministry Hall
		6:00pm	Contemplative Church, St Bart's
Friday	28th Sept	10:00am	Holy Communion, St Bart's
		2.00pm	Choir, Ministry Hall
Sunday	30th Sept	8.00am	Holy Communion, St Barts
		4.00pm	Pet Parade & Blessing
		5.30pm	Cuppa then Sunday@6, St Barts

Bulletin

If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the bulletin please add your name and email address to the list in the church or the office.

Bible Readings

23rd September	Proverbs 31:10-31	Psalm 1	Mark 9:30-37
30th September	Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22	Psalm 124	Mark 9:38-50