

Parish Press

Sunday September 8th, 2024

Sentence

So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. James 2.13

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase our faith, hope, and love,
and, that we may receive all you promise,
make us love what you command;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings

Proverbs 22.1-2, 8-9, 22-23	Page (OT) 469
Psalms 125	Page (OT) 444
James 2.1-10 (11-13) 14-17	Page 179
Mark 7.24-37	Page 32

Today's services are

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Sung Holy Communion Service followed by morning tea

This week we pray for all who live in Florence Road, Surrey Hills

***But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.
(Isaiah 40.31)***

Mark's Ponderings

In our reading this morning from James, we are reminded that we need to live out our faith in all we do.

We read in James 2.26 'for just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.'

The following illustration shows the relationship between faith and works.

An old Scotsman operated a little rowboat for transporting passengers. One day a passenger noticed that the old man had carved on one oar the word "faith" and on the other oar the word "works." Curiosity led him to ask the meaning of this. The old man, being a well-balanced Christian and glad of the opportunity for testimony, said, "I will show you." So, he dropped the oar named "faith" and pulled the other called "works." They went around in circles. Then he dropped the oar named "works" and began to pull the oar called "faith", and the little boat went around in circles again---this time the other direction, but still in a circle. After this demonstration the old man picked up Faith and Works, and pulling both oars together, sped swiftly over the water, explaining to his inquiring passengers, "you see, that is the way it is in the Christian life. Dead works without faith are useless, and faith without works is dead also, getting you nowhere. But faith and works pulling together make for safety, progress, and blessing.

Let us all then make a commitment to live out our faith in all we do, and in doing so we will play our part in the growing of the Kingdom of God.

God Bless

Mark



Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who attended the service and donated food or brought morning tea! It was a wonderful service and a great morning!!

Men's Breakfast

Our next Men's Breakfast is on the 14th of September at 'Chit Chat' Cafe beginning at 8.30am. Join us as we hear from our speaker Bryan Nitz. Please put your name down on the sign-up sheet if you are coming. All are welcome!

Youth Group

Our next Youth Group is on September 15th. The theme this month is 'It's All About Games'. It will be another great night filled with laughter, friendly competition and community building!

Parish Prayer Service

Please join us on Thursday morning at 10am for a prayer service. Remember: *"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."* Mark 11.24

Parish Prayer List

Helen Burston, Stephen Binns, William Stewart (Stu) Parry, Robyn Foskett, Thelma Fiddymont, Rachel Hayman, Bruce Knox, Helen Morris, John and Sally James, Pam Dewar, Edith Jenkins, Sue Hand, Ann Constable, Gwen Jackson, Bryant Family.

We remember

We give you thanks for your servants in every age. Grant that we, with all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom. Ruth Wordworth Gawler, Harrow Morgan, Marjory Hasler, Emily Isobel Johannsen, Kathryn Hand, Joyce Dodd.

Praise

God's amazing gifts to each one of us
The generosity of God and the privilege we have to respond to it

Prayer

Our Parish finances
That God would give us all a spirit of generosity

Direct Giving to Holy Trinity

To give directly to the Parish, via the Anglican Development Fund,
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This Week at Holy Trinity

Monday

11am Holy Communion at Arcare Surrey Hills

Tuesday

9.30am-12.30pm Office Open

Wednesday

10am Service of Holy Communion followed by morning tea

Thursday

10am Parish Prayer Service

9.30am-12.30pm Office Open

7.30pm Choir Practice

Friday

Mark's Day Off

Saturday

8.30am Men's Breakfast at Chit Chat

Sunday

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion Service followed by morning tea

5pm Youth Group

Readings this week

Monday	Luke 6.6-11
Tuesday	Luke 6.12-19
Wednesday	Luke 6.20-26
Thursday	Luke 6.27-38
Friday	Luke 6.39-42
Saturday	Luke 6.43-49
Sunday	Proverbs 1.20-33, Psalm 19, James 2.18-26 , Mark 8.27-38



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