



SWIZMAIL

Friday 23 September

Hello, and welcome to you from St Swithun's wherever you may be. We wish our choir well as they sing for the service in Goulburn Cathedral on Sunday.



Please join us in person at one (or more) of our THREE Services this Sunday.

The 9am service will be livestreamed.



SUNDAY@9AM: LIVE IN PERSON & LIVESTREAM (HC)
THEME: "Wise Living" (continued)
BIBLE PASSAGE: Ephesians 6:1-9, Deut.6:1-12, Prov.4:1-4
Leader: Rob Clarke
Preacher: Nigel Gray

The livestream link is <http://tiny.cc/swizstream>

Please join us for morning tea in the PACE centre after the service.

You may also watch the service later using this same link or via our website at www.swiz.org.au



FAMILY CHURCH: 10.30AM IN PERSON in CHURCH
NB: THERE WILL BE NO LIVESTREAM OF THIS SERVICE
THEME: "Wise Living" (continued)
BIBLE PASSAGE: Ephesians 6:1-9
Preacher: Nigel Gray

Morning tea will be served after the service.



NIGHT CHURCH: 6:00PM IN PERSON IN CHURCH

NB: THERE WILL BE NO LIVESTREAM OF THIS SERVICE

THEME: "Wise Living" (continued)

BIBLE PASSAGE: Ephesians 6:1-9

Preacher: Nigel Gray

Refreshments will be served after the service.

Serving Opportunity

We are greatly in need of people to serve on our 9am morning tea roster. If you would like to serve our church family in this way please ring the church office on **9488 7377** to have your name added to the roster. This is a valued and practical way we can serve and care for each other.

SwizSongs

Want to sing along to our contemporary services songs in the car?

SwizSongs Spotify playlist is now available.

Search SwizSongs in Spotify or just use this link <http://tiny.cc/SwizSongs>

It's BCA Box Collection Time again.

It is now time for the contents of our BCA boxes to be counted. Please bring your box to the church office over the next two weeks. Please also add your address to the label on the underside of the box and tick the appropriate square if you require a tax deduction.

Partnering in the Gospel

To set up direct debit, details of the church offertory account are as follows:

BSB: 032 186

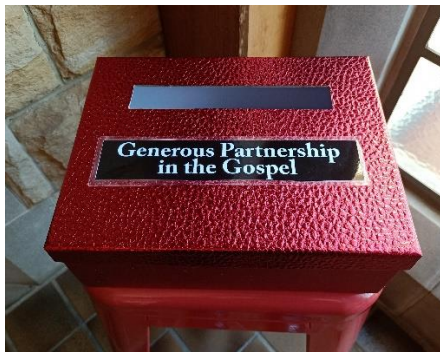
Account Number: 115 266

Account Name: St Swithun's Anglican Church

Please note the service you attend when making the transaction.

You can **also give your offertory by credit card**. If you wish to use this method of giving, please download the [Debit Form](#) and return the completed form to *The Treasurer, St Swithun's Office*. Otherwise contact the church office on 9488 7377 or office@swiz.org.au.

If **CASH** is your way of partnering in the Gospel, please look out for



A SHINY RED BOX at each church entrance door

As the Psalmist writes, "*What shall I return to the Lord for all his benefits towards me?*" St. Swithun's Wardens and Treasurer are very grateful for your generosity and participation.

BUILDING REPAIRS APPEAL

The Church Building Needs Your Help

Recent close inspection served to highlight the urgency for repairs to be undertaken without delay.

Therefore, slate roofing contractors are soon to work on the [Main Church Building](#):

- Removal of cracked/broken slates and ineffective tin soakers
- Reinstall slates to match in with existing slates and installation of lead soakers
- Removal of fatigued/split lead to roof, parapet and copper flat roof of Bell Tower
- Chase in lead flashings and seal chase with polyurethane sealant
- Removal of existing fatigued copper flat roof to Bell Tower
- Installation of copper box gutter
- Installation of waterproof breathable membrane
- Installation of copper standing seam sheets
- Chase in lead flashings along flat metal roof and sandstone wall of building.

In preparation for this work, heritage stonemasonry craftspeople are currently working on the [Bell Tower and Main Elevation of the Church Building](#):

- Removing damaging effect of black mould and lichen by steam cleaning
 - Removing salt erosion on both entrance archways by steam cleaning
 - Stone repointing to missing joints to minimise water ingress.
- Note: The water-pressure cleaning of sandstone flagging was neither asked for nor included in the quotation; we can accept the finished effect with thanks.

Glass contractors skilled in heritage work are to restore [Stained-Glass Windows of the Church Building](#):

- Source window parts to match existing features of the windows
- Replace broken arms and sashes to enable windows to open
- Replace non-working pull cords
- Reinstall cracked and damaged glass panes whilst particular coloured glass is still available.

These same craftspeople are to replace two deteriorating [Dormer Windows in the Church Hall](#):

- Remove existing timber window sashes
- Make good structural damage to timber frames suffering from dry rot
- Install new powder-coated aluminium louvre galleries with toughened glass to minimise long-term maintenance, enhance ventilation and reduce the need for air-conditioning.

Whilst St Swithun's has three further properties that need to be maintained, [the Building Repairs Appeal is for repairs to the Church Building](#).

Please help by donating today in one of the following ways:

1. Online Bank Transfer

Simply go to your online banking account and transfer your donation to:

BSB: 032-186

Account Number: 115266

Account Name: St Swithun's Anglican Church

Mark your donation 'Building Repairs'

2. Online Giving Portal

Click on the payment option below and select your donation:

<http://pymble-anglican.square.site>

3. Cheque

Address your cheque to:

St Swithun's Anglican Church Pymble

Place your cheque in an envelope marked 'Building Repairs' and either bring it to the church office or place it in the Black & Red Offertory Boxes.

Berkeley Blog

What a wonderful treat we had last Sunday with the visit of Wayne Pickford from Berkeley Life Centre. He preached at all three services and his main message was "where would we be without our Lord Jesus?"- without Him we are but nothing. Wayne was a professional wrestler (for which he said his body is still paying the price), a prison warden for many years- mainly with offenders of drug and alcohol issues- and now an Anglican pastor to the people of Berkeley at Berkeley Life Centre.

Wayne told us about the people of Berkeley, many of whom are doing it really tough at the moment. It is a very impoverished area of Wollongong beside a beautiful lake—he likened the lake to the Sea of Galilee. Some of the current issues he told us about Berkeley include:

- 50% unemployment,
- most children leave school at year 10 and join the unemployment ranks
- physical violence, especially violence against women,
- 60% domestic abuse
- drug and alcohol abuse
- gambling (there are many easily accessible poker machines within a 3 km radius of Berkeley)
- watching pornography (including children being left to watch pornography unsupervised)

Wayne and his team walk closely with the people of Berkeley through their program called “Adopt a Block”. This includes visiting people in their own homes and really getting to know their concerns and hardships, and offering a helping hand wherever necessary. Recently there were some families who could not afford to put food on the table, so a call went out to Berkeley’s Mission partners, including us at St Swithuns, to help with a food drive for those in need of food. Wayne was particularly grateful to us for our recent Breakfast for Berkeley campaign which provided well needed nourishment to those who would have gone without food for the day.

Berkeley Life Centre was the recipient of money raised at our Mini Mission Market on Sunday. An amount of \$2,200 was raised which will go directly to Berkeley. Everyone was very generous and there was very little left at the Market by the end of the day. Our St Swithuns blue fold up shopping bags, with “Bag It for Berkeley” printed on them were a great success, being sold for \$5.00 each with the proceeds going to Berkeley. We sold about 70 bags with people again being very generous and sometimes purchasing two or three bags. We still have some bags left so if you are interested in purchasing a bag they will be available at the office or at church next Sunday.

What do I do with the goods I have purchased for Berkeley in my Berkeley bag?

- Bring your goods to church, either on Sundays or at other times during the week.
- Take the goods out of your Berkeley bag and put them into the crates behind the stage in the Church Hall which are marked “Food Donations”
- Put your Berkeley Bag back into your handbag, pocket etc ready for your next shopping trip
- If the Church Hall is not open go the Church office at 4A Merrivale Rd Pymble and ask to use the key to open the Church Hall door. Please remember to return the key to the office when you have unloaded your items.

Thank you all for your generosity and support for Berkeley Life Centre, and for Wayne as he ministers to the people of Berkeley.

Sharna Philips Berkeley Life Centre co-ordinator





**Missions
Online
Silent Auction
1-15 Oct 2022**

DONATIONS PLEASE
ANNUAL PARISH MISSIONS DINNER
ONLINE SILENT AUCTION
1 - 15 OCTOBER 2022

PLEASE BE GENEROUS AND DONATE ITEMS
FOR THE ONLINE SILENT AUCTION WHICH CONCLUDES AT
8.30PM ON 15 OCTOBER AT THE DINNER

SUGGESTIONS – VOUCHER FOR RESTAURANT, CHATSWOOD
CHASE S/C, WESTFIELD S/C OR ROSEVILLE CINEMA, GOLF
LESSON AT PYMBLE OR KILLARA GOLF CLUB OR A HAMPER

PLEASE EMAIL TRISH KINGHORN AT
trishkinghorn@icloud.com WITH DETAILS
BEFORE 25 SEPTEMBER

THANK YOU VERY MUCH



SUPPORTING



SIMON & ALISON ROBERTS
IN EXMOUTH, WA



You are invited

Ann Powell invites everyone to celebrate her 90th birthday this Sunday. She has supplied cake to be enjoyed by all during refreshments after each service.



BOOKING IS NOW OPEN FOR THE ANNUAL ST SWITHUN'S PARISH MISSIONS DINNER

- Date:** 15 October 2022
- Time:** 6.00 – 9.30pm
- Cost:** \$48.50 per person includes champagne and canapés on arrival. BYO wine. Booking closes on Sunday 9 October – only 35 tickets remaining so please book asap

Please join us for the Parish Missions Dinner on 15 October in the Church Hall. This year we are supporting Simon & Alison Roberts, our mission partners with Bush Church Aid (BCA) based in Exmouth, WA. Hear from Simon & Alison in person as they share their goals and work in the mission field.



The online Silent Auction, being run from 1 - 15 October, will conclude at 8.30pm at the dinner. Please bring a tablet or phone so you can make last minute bids for your chosen item.

Booking can be made via the St Swithun's website – please click on <https://swiz.org.au/ticket-booking> (on the main page under Events)

When booking please nominate your table preference, ie “Choir”, “Home Group Leader's name”, 9 / 10.30am or 6pm Service or if you have a group, nominate a surname. We will endeavour to seat you at the table requested.



2022 PRAYER RETREAT

**PATTERNS AND
PROBLEMS IN PRAYER**

**Saturday 22 October 2022
9:00am – 2:00pm**

Canisius Centre
102 Mona Vale Rd, Pymble

Leaders: Peter and Judy Taylor

Cost: \$45 (including morning tea & lunch)
or \$25 (including morning tea)

Bookings

Phone 9488 7377 or email office@swiz.org.au

Registrations close Friday 7 October

SwizKids and SwizTweens

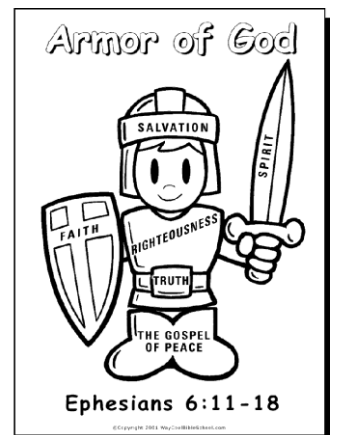
SwizKids and SwizTweens (Yrs K-8) meets in the hall during the 10:30am Contemporary Service in school terms. This term our theme is 'God on a Mission'.

Please note that SwizKids and Swiztweens programs will *not* run October 2nd and 9th.

Activity sheets will be provided for children to use during the sermon.

September 23: God on a Mission: Prepared for Spiritual Battle

Big Idea: Christians must put on the full armour of God and be prayerfully alert in order to stand firm in their faith and in the spiritual battle against the devil. We are engaged in a daily spiritual battle and must equip ourselves with the armour of God and prayer in order to stand firm till Jesus returns. (Ephesians 6: 10-24)



Activity:

Ask each member of the family to collect two items from around the house that provide protection. E.g. sunglasses, bike helmets, sunscreen, oven mitts, safety glasses, ear muffs, rubber gloves, sun hats, shin guards, softball mitt, face masks.

Discuss how each item protects the person from a specific danger.

In Ephesians 6:10-24 Paul warns Jesus's followers to be prepared for a *spiritual* battle against forces of evil that attack our faith and core beliefs. Paul tells us to protect our hearts by putting on special spiritual armour.

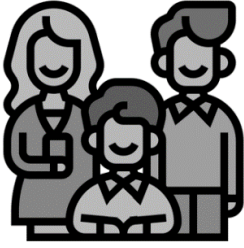
Listen to Colin Buchanan sing *The Armour of God*. (copy URL)

<https://youtu.be/hD1fQ80FInw>

Discuss what things are mentioned in the song that protect our faith from challenges, temptations and doubts.



Date	Time	Activity
Sunday 25 September	9:00am	TRADITIONAL SERVICE HOLY COMMUNION http://tiny.cc/swizstream
	10:30am	FAMILY CHURCH Church
	6:00pm	NIGHT CHURCH Church
Tuesday 27 September	9:00am	WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYER MEETING. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82548195478
Wednesday 28 September	10:30am	VIRTUAL MORNING TEA Guest speaker: Tim Oslington
	6:45pm	YOUTH HOME GROUP Join us for a bible reading and prayer time. Off site. In person.
Thursday 29 September	7:30am	MEN'S BREAKFAST PACE Centre
Friday 30 September	12:30pm	MEN'S BBQ LUNCH PACE Centre
	1:00pm	MANDARIN BIBLE STUDY PACE Centre
	6:00pm	YOUTH GROUP For meeting details contact Tim & Emilia Oslington youth@swiz.org.au 0420 269 949



Your Church Office

Hours: 9:30am – 2:30pm Monday to Friday.

We are always happy to hear from you so please do not hesitate to get in touch on **02 9488 7377** or email office@swiz.org.au

MINISTRY TEAM

Staff	Position	Email	Phone	Workdays
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Emilia Oslington	Youth Ministry	youth@swiz.org.au	0434 251 857	Tues, Thu, Fri from 4:30pm, Sun
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COUNSELLING

Ruth Speziale	Counsellor	counselling@swiz.org.au	0422 602 253	Wed
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“RUOK”. The answer to that question (are you OK?) may not be a simple “yes”. If YOU or anyone you know need any help at all, or just a chat, please don’t hesitate to call the office on 94887377 or email us at office@swiz.org.au



Congratulations to those with a birthday or anniversary coming up next week: Caroline Brigden, Pauline Colbran, Julie Hobson, Robin Yabsley, Ian de Jersey and Edward Lord.

Congratulations and special birthday wishes to Ann Powell who turns 90 on Sunday.

If you would like your birthday included in Swizmail, please contact the office on admin@swiz.org.au with the details.

PRAYER POINTS ...

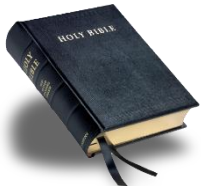
- Please pray for our mission partners especially for the Berkeley Life Centre and the ministry of Wayne Pickford.
- Uphold in prayer all who serve as staff and volunteers and all ministries at St Swithun's. Please pray especially for our choir and organist as they assist the worship in Goulburn Cathedral this Sunday.
- As we remember the member churches of the Ku-ring-gai Interchurch group, please pray for our own church and our senior minister, Stuart Holman.
- Please pray for our own country and countries and peoples around the world still affected by the latest highly transmissible OMICRON strains of the Coronavirus. Pray for all those who are hospitalised, those caring for the sick and those who mourn the death of loved ones.

- Please pray with dear brothers and sisters in Christ in desperate need in the ongoing troubled nations of Burma (Myanmar), the Ukraine, Turkey, the Middle East and North & West Africa, especially South Sudan, Tunisia, Egypt, the Central African Republic, Yemen, Iraq, Syria, Zimbabwe and Nigeria. Also pray for those millions of people who have been made refugees and displaced persons and especially those affected by the Coronavirus.
- Please pray for the people of Pakistan in the aftermath of unprecedented torrential monsoon rains, catastrophic flooding and huge loss of life. Pray that international aid will be forthcoming to help the people rebuild their homes and livelihoods. Pray also for those who have lost loved ones to the floods.
- Please pray for the people and leaders of the Ukraine as the war enters its seventh month. Pray that the Lord will stay the hand and turn the heart of wicked and power-hungry men so that peace and stability may be restored and further bloodshed and destruction prevented. Pray that neighbouring countries and Australia will continue to support the Ukrainian government and give safehaven to those people fleeing the conflict and devastation.
- Please pray for the people of Sri Lanka. Pray that peace, stability and good and just government will be restored in the country. Pray also that stable and just government will be established and the country's economy will recover.
- Please remember before God the many people who are struggling with physical and mental illness, grief, rehabilitation and other difficulties at present, including: Damon Beck, Scott Benton, Kevin & Ruth Brown, Sue Brown, Donald Cameron, Meg Clark, Bee Cochrane, Pauline Colbran, Barbara Dein, David Duchesne, Ian de Jersey, John Fullagar, Phillipa Hoffmann, John Isaacs, Jenny Johnson, Joshua Knox, Tina Kropp, Phillip Linqvist, David Martin, June Moon, Margaret Norrie, Ruth Oslington, Terry Perrens, Molly & Wai-On Phoon, Jan and Hugh Ralston, Catherine Smart, Barbara Stork, John Taubman, Shirley Terracini, Judy Vasey, Sue Walker, John White, Allan Williams, Michael Wilson and Alan Winterbotham.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK – Author unknown

“Good works will never produce salvation, but salvation should produce good works.”

FROM THE BIBLE –



“Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honour your father and mother” – which is the first commandment with a promise – “that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.” Ephesians 6:1-3



PRAYER – John Baillie (1886-1960)

Almighty God, thank you for your love which follows me every day of my life. Thank you that you fill my mind with your divine truth and strengthen my will with your divine grace. Thank you for your Spirit leading me. Help me to follow where you lead and never quench this light that you have ignited within me, rather let me grow daily in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus my Lord. Amen.

