



SWIZMAIL

Friday 12 August

Hello, and welcome to you from St Swithun's wherever you may be. Let us praise the Lord for his many blessings, mercies and loving kindness to us.



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: "Reconciled in Christ."

BIBLE PASSAGE: Ephesians 2:11-21, Genesis 17:1-14.

Service Leader: Catherine Halsall

Preacher: Andy Bell

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 (HC)

NB: THERE WILL BE NO LIVESTREAM OF THIS SERVICE

THEME: "Reconciled in Christ."

BIBLE PASSAGE: Ephesians 2:11-21

Preacher: Andy Bell

Morning tea will be served after the service.



NIGHT CHURCH: 6:00PM IN PERSON IN CHURCH (HC)
NB: THERE WILL BE NO LIVESTREAM OF THIS SERVICE
THEME: "Reconciled in Christ."
BIBLE PASSAGE: Ephesians 2:11-21
Preacher: Andy Bell

Refreshments will be served after the service.

A Call to Prayer



We gather at 7pm on Wednesday 24th August for concerted prayer for our church, our community, and our world. Our prayers for St Swithun's will particularly focus on our developing 5- year Ministry Plan.

Every member of St Swithun's is warmly urged to join us in the church. For those unable to attend in person, we will also provide online Zoom access to the same meeting. If you would ordinarily meet with your Home Group at that time, please bring your whole group to the church to pray instead.

Holy Communion on Sunday 14th August

Throughout the Covid pandemic, as a precaution against any possible spread of the virus, we have shared Holy Communion remaining in our seats and using sealed pre-packaged communion elements. We have now received advice that our Covid risk-profile will not be considerably changed if we resume using individual communion cups and wafers at our communion services. We also note that many other churches have already returned to their former practices of serving Holy Communion without significant impact. Consequently, from Sunday 14th August, we will begin to see some changes in the way we receive the physical elements of Holy Communion at our services. Those who are able will be invited to leave their seats and receive communion at various stations in the church. Our individual communion cups will contain grape juice and wafers will be served from the silver pattens. All communion servers will be wearing masks and gloves. We will continue to monitor this situation and make further changes as necessary. Wearing a mask is still the best way of ensuring that we do not accidentally spread the Covid virus at church.

Warm Regards,
Stuart

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 valuable and practical way we can serve and care for each other.

Partnering in the Gospel

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

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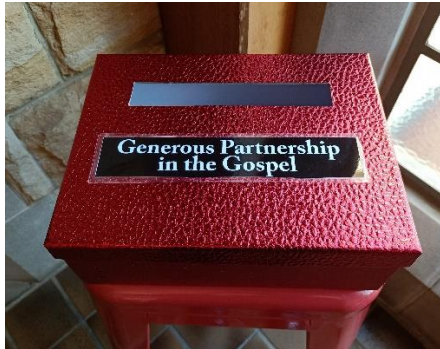
Account Number: 115 266

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 RED SHINY 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.

Thanksgiving Service for the Life of David Claydon

There will be a Thanksgiving Service for David Claydon at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Monday August 15 at 10am. Roger Chilton will preach and the St. Swithun's choir with Phillip Linqvist and Peter Hamilton leading the music. Everyone welcome.

Save the Date!



**Missions
Online
Silent Auction
1 – 15 Oct**

DONATIONS PLEASE

**THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE IS EXCITED TO
ANNOUNCE THE RETURN OF THE ANNUAL
MISSIONS DINNER - 15 OCTOBER 2022**

**PLEASE BE GENEROUS AND DONATE WINE, WHISKY, HOLIDAY
HOMES, BOAT CRUISES, CHRISTMAS CAKES OR HAMPERS, HOST A
DINNER OR LUNCH, VOUCHERS FOR GOLF, FLOWERS,
MANICURE/PEDICURE, RESTAURANTS ETC
FOR THE ONLINE SILENT AUCTION FROM 1-15 OCT**

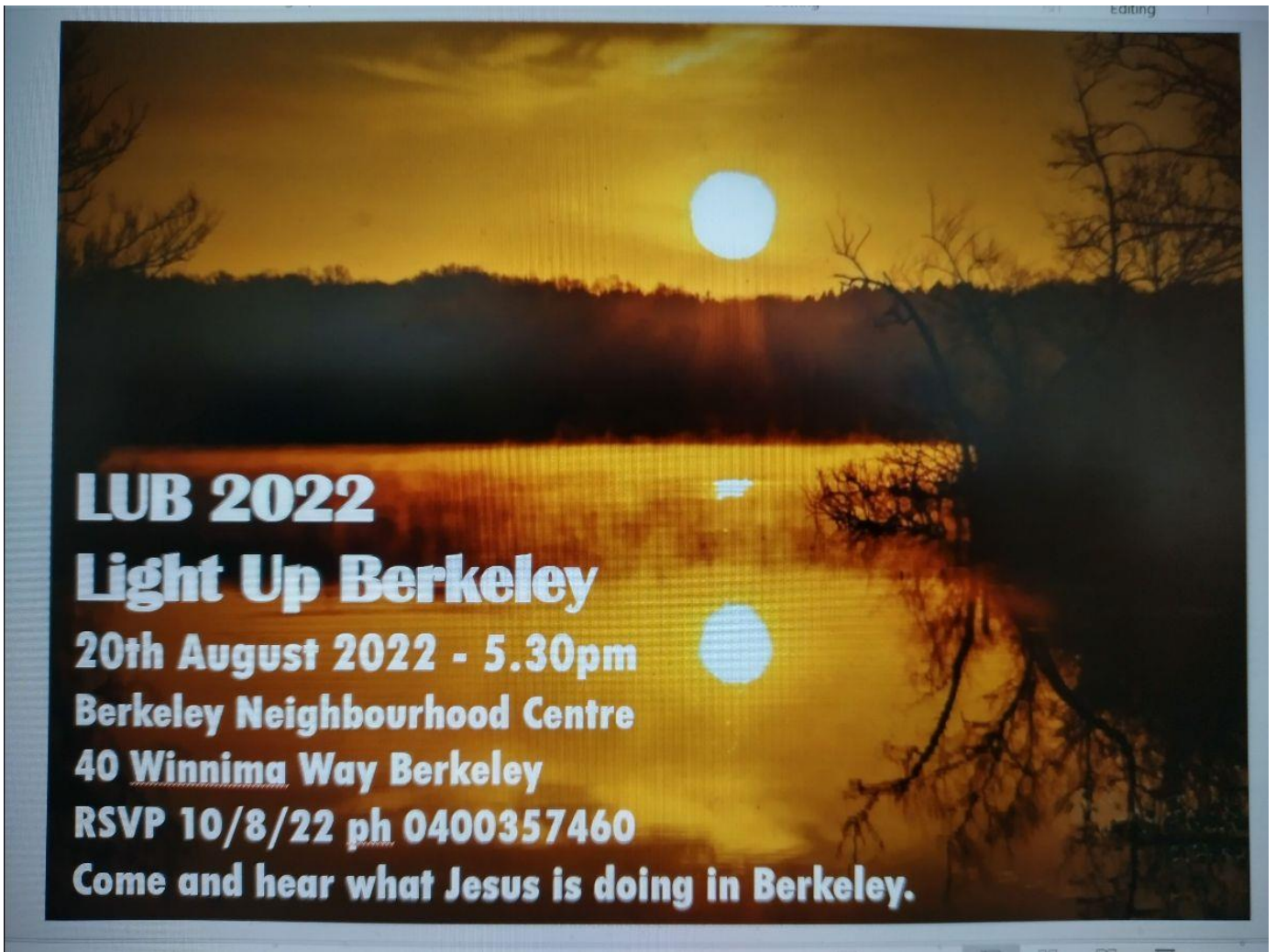
**PLEASE EMAIL TRISH KINGHORN ASAP AT
trishkinghorn@icloud.com WITH PHOTO/S AND DETAILS OR
PHONE ON 0418 409 305**

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

IN AID OF

**SIMON & ALISON ROBERTS
IN WEYMOUTH, WA**





A Special Invitation to our Wonderful Supporters,

Hi there.

We hope you are well.

We would like to invite you to attend Lighting Up Berkeley (LUB) on Saturday 20th August 2022 at 5.30pm at the Berkeley Neighbourhood Centre (not the Green Shed) and we would be delighted if you could come.

You may well ask – what can I expect?

Well, here's what will happen.

- You will be greeted/welcome by the friendly people who attend BLC.
- You will be provided with some delicious savoury (finger) food as well as tea and coffee.

- You will have the opportunity to meet face to face with some of the lovely BLC congregation who will take you on a journey of what's happening in Berkeley.
- You will have the opportunity to mix with many of the BLC supporters who have come along to hear what Jesus is doing in Berkeley.

We hope you can make it.

If you plan to come, please RSVP to Wayne on 0400 357 460 or email us by 10/8/22.

Naturally entry into LUB is free, but you may be aware that there is a Food Drive going on at the moment to enable the Op Shop to give out food parcels to the very needy. Shelves are a bit bare, so why not bring a couple of non-perishable food items as your "ticket to the game." It would certainly be well received and help this important food ministry.

Jesus Wins!

Wayne



Choir Tour to Salisbury Cathedral

6 – 17 July 2023

The choir is singing at Salisbury Cathedral in July 2023 and welcomes fellow travellers. See Britain's largest cathedral close and cloisters, oldest mechanical clock and arguably the finest organ – and of course hear the choir.

Excursions are available each day to explore the surrounds. So far, a group of 33 will be at Salisbury from 6 July to 17 July.

Circular No.1 with all the information is available on the table outside the church office in the PACE Centre.

Bookings will be needed by 15 August so please talk to BRIAN WATSON on 9482 5817 or a choir member ASAP.



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'.

August 12: God on a Mission: One People

Lesson: Jesus' sacrifice made peace between God and man possible and unites all who trust in him. All believers are united as members of one body, regardless of background, culture, or nationality. (Ephesians 2:11- 3:21)

Activity: Same/Different

- a) Look at photographs of your extended family, sporting teams, school classes or any other group of people. Discuss what things are the same about all the people. Discuss what makes them different. Discuss what makes them a family, team, or group? What makes these groups inclusive or exclusive? OR
- b) Play the board game 'Guess who?' As you play discuss the similarities and differences between the characters.

Explore the idea that God's family -the church -is made up of lots of different and diverse people from all over the world. We are one inclusive family united by our faith and trust in Jesus. Our love for one another is a witness to outsiders that we are Jesus' family.

Memory Verse

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.
Ephesians 4:4-6 [NIV]



Date	Time	Activity
Sunday 14 August	9:00am	TRADITIONAL SERVICE (HOLY COMMUNION) http://tiny.cc/swizstream
	10:30am	FAMILY CHURCH (HOLY COMMUNION) Church
	6:00pm	NIGHT CHURCH (HOLY COMMUNION) Church
Tuesday 16 August	9:00am	WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYER MEETING. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82548195478
	12:00pm	SENIORS BALANCE CLASS AND LUNCH Church hall and PACE Centre
Wednesday 17 August	6:45pm	YOUTH HOME GROUP Join us for a bible reading and prayer time. Off site. In person.
Thursday 18 August	7:30am	MEN'S BREAKFAST PACE Centre
	8:30am	MEN IN THE MORNING BIBLE STUDY Lounge
	9:30am	EVERYDAY ENGLISH Beginner, intermediate and advanced classes In person in PACE Centre
Friday 19 August	10:30am	FRIDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY The Gospel of Mark: The Call and Training of the Disciples Speaker: Andy Bell Church and via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85679318071?pwd=Vk9jcEU0TDhZYLk1NjVHbGZCbkdUT09

	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

Face Masks at Church

Australia's Chief Medical Officer, Paul Kelly, has urged us all to wear face masks in indoor settings such as church, saying, "We know that wearing masks [does] reduce the spread [of COVID] and protects yourself and others." His comments come in the form of a 'strong suggestion' rather than a Regulation. As always, we respect each other's personal decisions in such matters. The high-level windows in the church will remain open throughout winter to provide good cross-ventilation so dressing warmly is advised.

Photographer Wanted.

St Swithun's needs the services of a creative photographer to assist with occasional publications and the development of a bank of stock images that can be used widely. Volunteers should get in touch on stuart@swiz.org.au .

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Open Day.

- Women's Friday Bible Study invites you to an Open Day on Friday, September 2nd, at 10.00am in the Church Hall.
- Our guest speaker is Dr. Betty Huen a member of our 10.30am & 6pm services.
- The morning will take the form of a Question & Answer session.
- Betty has an interesting story to tell.
- A delicious morning tea will be served from 10am.
- Invite a friend and come along to enjoy some fellowship while learning about the life of one of our own parishioners.
- Enquiries: Fran Durand (0419 699 964)

Celebrating the Psalms



Featuring 20 of the 150 psalms in

- 6 hymns
- 5 choral anthems
- 4 chanted psalms
- 4 spoken responsories
- 4 readings

with St Swithun's Choir directed by Phillip Linqvist

Saturday August 20th at 5pm



St Swithun's Anglican Church

2 Telegraph Road Pymble

Free. Followed by refreshments. All welcome!



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
Stuart Holman	Senior Minister	stuart@swiz.org.au	02 9488 7377	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Sun
Andy Bell	Assistant Minister	andy@swiz.org.au	0415 455 314	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Sun.
Nigel Gray	Assistant Minister	nigel@swiz.org.au	0432 292 820	Mon, Tue, Wed, Sun
Christina Hollister	Seniors' Minister	chris@swiz.org.au	0400 600 510	Tues, Thu, Sun
Tim Oslington	Youth Ministry	youth@swiz.org.au	0420 269 949	Fri from 4:30pm, Sun
Emilia Oslington	Youth Ministry	youth@swiz.org.au	0434 251 857	Tues, Thu, Fri from 4:30pm, Sun
Fran Durand	Pastoral Care	pastoralcare@swiz.org.au	0419 699 964	Fri, Sun
Peter Hamilton	Organist	peter.stives@bigpond.com	0414 477 352	Sun
Phillip Linquist	Choir & Trad. Music Director	phillip@linquist.net.au	0416 266 625	Sun

OFFICE (Monday – Friday 9:30am – 2:30pm)

Jean Gurusamy	Parish Administrator	office@swiz.org.au	02 9488 7377	Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri
Dineesha Welikala	Administration Assistant	admin@swiz.org.au	02 9488 7377	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri

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: Pat Knispel.

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 ongoing work of Robyn Claydon
- Uphold in prayer all who serve as staff and volunteers and all ministries at St Swithun's. Please pray especially for our wardens and parish council as they serve our church family and make decisions on our behalf.
- As we remember the member churches of the Ku-ring-gai Interchurch group, please pray for Gordon/Pymble Uniting Church and their rector, Rev. Steve Aynsley.
- Please pray for our own country and countries and peoples around the world affected by the latest highly transmissible OMICRON strains of the Coronavirus. Pray for all those who are hospitalised and those involved in contact tracing, administering vaccinations, testing, caring for those infected 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 victims of the earthquake in Afghanistan. Pray that international aid will be quickly forthcoming to enable people to rebuild their homes and their livelihoods. Pray also for those who have lost loved ones in the disaster.

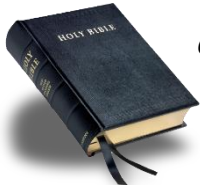
- Please pray for the people and leaders of the Ukraine. Pray that the Lord will stay the hand and turn the heart of wicked and power-hungry men so that peace and stability may be restored and further bloodshed and destruction prevented. Pray that neighbouring countries and Australia will give safehaven to those people fleeing the conflict and devastation.
- Please pray for the people again affected by flooding in the greater Sydney region and other parts of the coastal fringe of NSW.
- 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 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, Meg Clark, Bee Cochrane, Pauline Colbran, John Conti, Paul Cook, Barbara Dein, David Duchesne, Ian de Jersey, John Fullagar, John Isaacs, Jenny Johnson, Ralph Kahn, John Kerr, Joshua Knox, Tina Kropp, Phillip Linqvist, David Martin, June Moon, Ruth Oslington, Terry Perrens, Molly & Wai-On Phoon, Jan and Hugh Ralston, Catherine Smart, Shirley Terracini, Judy Vasey, Sue Walker, Allan Williams, Michael Wilson, Alan Winterbotham, and the grieving families of Elyssa Kesby and David Claydon.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK – Author unknown

“1 tree +3 nails = 4 given.”

FROM THE BIBLE –



“Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God’s people and members of God’s household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.” Ephesians 2: 19-21 (NIV)



PRAYER – Author Unknown

*Lord God, thank you for loving us
even when we turn away from you.
We are grateful for your constant care and concern.
though we feel unworthy of your great love,
we thank you that through our weaknesses you give us strength;
and in our wanderings you show us the way. Amen.*

