

# THE BUZZ

Welcome to the April Edition of the BUZZ news and events from around All Saints!

Please pass on your copy of The BUZZ to family, neighbours and friends, someone who might not be able to get to church or someone who might be interested in coming along and joining our many parish activities and Parish Family.



**CELEBRATING BABY DANIEL**  
Naomi and David are proud parents of little Daniel, born on March 28th. What a cutie!

## All Saints' Church

ANGLICAN PARISH OF KEMPSEY

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**CELEBRATING MARRIAGE:** Hazel and Gerald Haines have celebrated 61 years of marriage! What a milestone! We wish them many more years of happiness together.



**CELEBRATING BAPTISM:** Siblings Maya Jane and Daniel James Robert were baptised on Easter Day. We welcome them in to the body of Christ and a celebration party followed in the Parish Hall, arranged by Deidre and Michael.



# CATERING




The Friends For Lunch Soup Kitchen recommenced in the Youth Centre in April after being in recess over the periods of COVID lockdowns. Meals such as a lovely quiche, salad and trifle have been served. Some previous regulars have again been enjoying a meal and fellowship. Before lockdown periods Friends for

Lunch could serve



in excess of 20 meals. We give thanks for the team who service this special



The Catering Group has been extremely busy with Wakes, Parties and the Kempsey Show! Pictured is Julie celebrating her 60th, and our volunteers serving Devonshire Teas at the Show. What a month!

CONGRATULATIONS to Dianne and Nancy! PRIZE WINNERS at the Kempsey Show! Dianne with this beautiful 1 tier decorated cake...



.... and Nancy with Plain AND Pumpkin Scones. So much talent!



Morning Tea is held after church each Sunday, either in the Parish Hall or the sunny church grounds (weather permitting)

Don enjoying some delicious treats



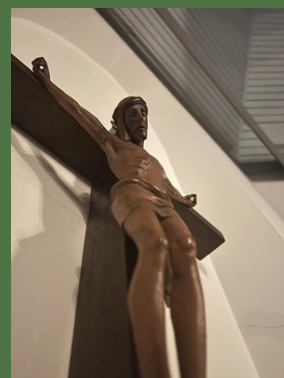
On April 3 we participated in the National Church Life Survey (NCLS) The Australian Church Mission Agencies started the NCLS started in the early 1990's and the research areas include studying Australian spirituality, church health, effective and sustainable leadership, and the connections between church and community. The NCLS provides helpful information about our church and community and helps with future planning.



# HOLY WEEK and EASTER SERVICES



**PALM SUNDAY** was the beginning of Holy Week - a week of celebrations starting with the remembrance of Jesus' victorious entry into Jerusalem. The church and church grounds were decorated with palm branches and hand woven palm crosses given to everyone, symbolising the ultimate sacrifice, and victory, of Christ. (Other than this traditional meaning, it is an "old wives tale" to keep a palm cross in your home to protect against house fires!)



A number of services we held during Holy Week including Maundy Thursday's Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar and Good Friday

*As the encroaching darkness of the Maundy Thursday liturgy draws us more deeply into the drama of our Lord's passion, we witness the stripping of the altar - an ancient ritual reminding us of the stripping of Christ when he fell into the hands of the Jews who only days before had lauded his entry into Jerusalem. The altar linens, paraments and Eucharistic vessels are removed, the Blessed Sacrament is removed from the Aumbry and placed upon the Altar of Repose (representing the Garden of Gethsemane), the Sanctuary lamp extinguished, and finally we hear the harrowing words of Psalm 88.*



On Easter Day we renewed our Baptism Vows and also welcome into the Body of Christ Maya and Daniel (see photos on page 1). We continue to uphold them in our prayers as they continue on their lifelong journeys of faith. Celebrating the mystery of the resurrection, we gathered in word and in sacrament with shouts of Alleluia! We now enter into the season of Easter, continuing to share in the great 50 days of the season of celebrating the joy and mystery of the resurrection.



**In April, we welcomed Claire from Wontulp Bi Buya Theological & Ministry College in Cairns North Queensland.**

*Claire wrote:*

*What a privilege it has been for me this past week to share in worship with the Kempsey Anglican All Saints Parish community. Diversity is just one of the many aspects of our faith communities that I love. I work at Wontulp Bi Buya Theological & Ministry College in Cairns North Qld, an Anglican partnership delivering theological training to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island people in their communities. At the heart of the college is the Gospel message of salvation through Christ & the great commandment - to love God & to love our neighbour, meeting people, where we all are in our human brokenness, and sharing God's Word, with Christ as our example. This commandment of love for one other has led me to begin the steps toward ordination, in particular, the Order of Deacon. The Body of Christ is one of diversity, a multi-faceted expression of the fruits of the spirit through service & worship that transcends cultural, socio-economic & geographical boundaries. We journey in Christ together, bound in common faith & worship, the warmth and welcome of All Saints Kempsey affirms this to me*  
*Peace & Grace*

On Easter Day it was wonderful to be joined by members of the Macleay Music Ensemble who played beautifully before and during the service. We followed our worship with fellowship over morning tea, which included delicious Easter themed treats!

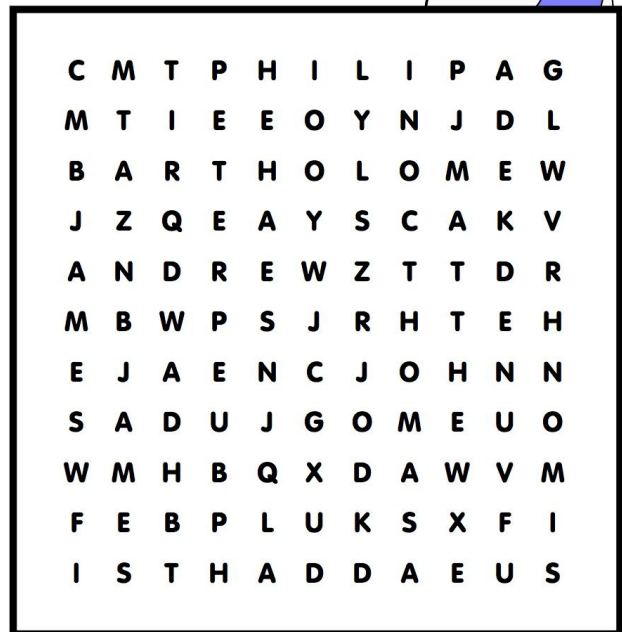
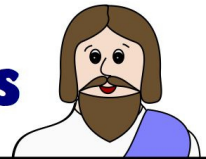


L: Donna Farrawell from Kempsey Baptist Church also studying at Wontulp Bi Buya College and R: Claire



## FIND A WORD

Search for Jesus' **12 Disciples**



Can you find the names of the twelve disciples from the word box below?

**ANDREW**  
**BARTHOLOMEW**  
**JAMES**  
**JAMES**

**JOHN**  
**JUDAS**  
**MATTHEW**  
**PETER**

**PHILIP**  
**SIMON**  
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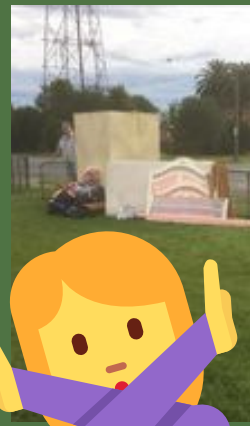
# Sometimes it's just rubbish:(

**OP SHOP NEWS:** When donating our unwanted clothes to the op shop most people would go away with a self-congratulatory feeling of a good deed done! While our Op Shop gratefully receives and appreciates an enormous amount of good quality donations for resale, an equally enormous amount of "rubbish" passes through our doors - food waste, dirty nappies, soiled old and ripped clothing, broken shoes, mouldy books, broken toys and china (the list could go on and on). This all ends up on our sorting table - rubbish that belongs in the bin. Unfortunately this eats into the small profits we make with 3-4 ute loads going to the tip every week! Please spare a thought for our hard working volunteers, who on a daily basis, are sorting through piles of unwanted items.

## So, what can we do to make this better?

- Encourage people to think "if I wouldn't wear it is not worth donating" : put it in the rubbish bin or recycle
- Encourage people to think "if it has a chip in it it's not for sale" : put it in the bin / we don't sell any broken items
- Encourage people to bring their donations to the op shop during trading hours - leaving items in the curb side bin or on the op shop veranda usually results in items ruined by the weather or sorted through by passer-bys / scavengers, and so it never makes it to the op shop

We are always grateful for saleable donations - not only does it help raise funds for the wider work in the parish, we also give away a lot of items to families in need or people who are starting out. Finally, we are very grateful and give thanks for our wonderful, dedicated volunteer workers.



This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Luke 24.34; Psalm 118.24



It is unfortunate that vandals have caused malicious damage around town including our Parish Hall & St Peter's Frederickton. We pray for God's healing peace upon the lives of those responsible, who are most likely experiencing many complexities in their lives.



Meet Patty!  
One of the many cute smiling faces at Small Saints! Meeting Mondays 9:30am - Midday at the Youth Centre during School Term



**REGULAR SERVICES and EVENTS**

**Every Sunday** 8:30am Holy Communion - All Saint's Kempsey

**Every Wednesday** 10:00am Holy Communion - All Saint's Kempsey

**2nd Tuesday** 10:15am Holy Communion - Cedar Place Nursing Home 58 Cochrane Street, Kempsey

**2nd Thursday** 10:30am Mother's Union meets in the Marsh Street Youth Centre

**3rd Tuesday** 10:15am Holy Communion Vincent Court Nursing Home 88 Leith Street, Kempsey

**4th Wednesday** 10am Booroongen Nursing Home, 337-351 River Street, Greenhill

**4th Sunday** 11:15am Holy Communion - Macleay Valley House, Macleay Valley Way, Frederickton

**4th Sunday** Midday - Pub Lunch - Macleay Valley Hotel, Frederickton

**Old Rectory Op Shop** - Open 8.30am - 1pm Monday to Friday

**Small Saints Playgroup** - Mondays in the School Term 9:30am - 12 pm, Marsh Street Youth Centre

**Friends For Lunch SOUP KITCHEN** Every Tuesday in the Marsh Street Youth Centre. 12pm to 1pm

*NB: Nursing Home Services are subject to current public health orders*



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**Coming Soon: To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee a "Golden Afternoon Tea" is being planned in the Parish Hall in June. A trading table is planned too! More details to come.**



If you would like to make a financial contribution to the life and work of the parish an online option is available through Coastline Credit Union.  
BSB 704 189  
Account 1101 7569

We continue to pray for World Peace : A Prayer for Peace

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us, both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive these his inestimable gifts, and also daily endeavour to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; We pray for Ukraine and Russia, its leaders and people. We pray that you would make your presence known to them at this time of strife. We pray for their protection and for an end to violence and conflict. We pray for the innocent, the frightened, the dispossessed, and those who have lost loved ones, homes and family. We pray that you would bless the endeavours of those who work for peace and an end to this conflict. Have mercy, we pray, on Ukraine and Russia. May your peace rule in the hearts and minds of all.

Continue to stir up the leaders of the world to work together for the good of all.

We pray this in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

