



St Martin's Kahibah
Flourishing by Grace

A place for everyone, serving the Kingdom of God, following Jesus Christ.

We acknowledge the Awabakal people who are the traditional custodians

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Sunday 2nd June, 2019

Welcome everyone to worship today! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved. Acts 16.31

Readings	Acts 16.16-34	Psalm 97
	Revelation 22.12-22	John 17.20-26

Prayer of the week;

*O God, the King of glory,
you have exalted your only son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we pray you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us,
and exalt us to the same place where our Saviour Christ has gone before;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.***

In Our Church we pray for Strength, Peace and Healing: Mark Ross, Pryor family, Ann Keevers, Ken Lott, Linda Reed, Esther Hammond, Betty Percival, Claire Tamlin, Glenys Conway and family, Joan Armitage and family, Blanche Roundsley.

We give thanks and pray for the faithful departed: (connected to our parish)

Narelle McGinty, Albert Parker, David Eric Gilbert, David Downie

JUNE PARISH DINNER - RSVP 9th June Ruth Bath 0409 741 974.

All are invited to our Parish Dinner on Monday 10 June at Charlestown Uniting Church (24 Milson St), 6.30pm for 7pm.

Our guest speaker is Rev Kevin Wares who will speak about "The step of faith."



Rev Kevin is married to Kim, who is the Fundraising Manager for the Church Missionary Society (CMS) NSW and they have three adult children, a daughter and two sons.



Originally a Public Servant, Kevin was ordained and priested in Sydney Diocese in 1990 and following curacy served as an Army Chaplain at Holsworthy and Robertson Barracks in Darwin. In 2000 they returned to Parish Ministry and Kevin was Rector of Oberon, Mulgoa and Kensington before coming to Newcastle Diocese at Wyong. In April, the Bishop appointed him as the Diocesan Director of Formation.

Kevin is still a Panthers supporter and enjoys reading history, theology and watching tech YouTube videos.

Mission Spot

From SOMA Newsletter March 2019: “The Christian Church in Nepal is alive and hungry for more of God. The people’s openness to God’s Spirit and their desire to love their community is resulting in incredible and miraculous answers to prayer. It is an honour to be able to serve these people as part of SOMA and it is wonderful that a team will return in 2019 to continue building on the relationships already developed. “ Pray for the SOMA team and those who call the Church of Nepal their spiritual home.

Continuing – from the Archives

THE CHARLESTOWN ANGLICAN, November 1967 – *Text copied as written.*

WHY BE A CHRISTIAN?

Part One – from the bulletin 19/5/2019

BECAUSE CHRISTIANITY IS TRUE

BECAUSE CHRISTIANITY IS REASONABLE

Part Two

BECAUSE CHRISTIANITY OFFERS TRUE HAPPINESS IN THIS WORLD AS WELL AS IN THE NEXT.

Everyone longs for certainty, peace, strength. In this world the Christian receives the light and strength which enables him to persevere through difficulties and doubts, to find the basis of true peace within himself, with his neighbours, and with God, and to overcome all the temptations which make him less than a full man. In this world the increase of Christianity must inevitably reduce such effects of human sin as fear, war, and injustice. And, what is far more, Christians come to know that they are everywhere and always supported by the Father, from whose love no human experience, not even death itself, need ever separate them. And Christians have this further happiness: that they enter a fellowship here on earth, and find in it a love of man for man which also continues and is made perfect beyond death.

BECAUSE CHRISTIANITY OFFERS THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE TO HELL, HERE AND HEREAFTER.

We have only to look around the world: and not least around our own society, and perhaps into our own lives to see what happens where Christ is denied, and His teaching rejected. Without Christianity there is no protection against violence, lust and greed, and man becomes a pathetic insignificant, bewildered creature without freedom, without purpose, without hope, and without peace. Christ came into the world and lived, and died, in order to give men eternal life and make them fit to be with God forever. For those who persist in rejecting His sacrifice there can be no hope.

BECAUSE CHRISTIANITY IS OUR GRATEFUL REPONSE TO THE GOODNESS OF GOD, OUR MAKER AND REDEEMER.

Ingratitude is a miserable thing, and a spoilt child who expects everything and never says "Thank you" is unpleasant and unhappy. For our very existence, as well as for every good thing we enjoy, we have God to thank. In thanksgiving for all He has done for us through Jesus Christ and for the good things he has prepared for them that love Him, although they are beyond our present understanding, nothing we can do can be enough. But there is no joy equal to the praising and worshipping God when we do so, not only with our lips but in our lives, and give ourselves wholeheartedly to His service.

**WHEN DID YOU THANK GOD IN WORSHIP LAST? THE ANSWER IS GOD.....
WORSHIP HIM.**

This week at St Martins

Monday 9:30 Playgroup
Monday 4:00 Monday night home group - Bible study at Bev Rigby's
Wednesday 8:30 Silent Christian Meditation
10:00 GAPS
Thursday night "John for Everyone" with Rev Bob – check time with Bob
Friday 9:00 "John for Everyone" with Rev Bob

Sunday 9th June, 2019 – Pentecost -

St Martins 9:00am

Readings: Acts 2.1-21 Psalm 104.26-36
Romans 8.14-17 John 14.8-17(25-27)

Intercessors: Peter Eyre **Reader:** Jan Lockett
Server: Rosemary Menhenick **Sacristan:** Bev Rigby
L.L. Ass 1: Brian Taylor **L.L. Ass 2:** Neville Thomas
Music: Elaine Davis **Sound:** Evelyn Gibson
Welcomers: Kerry Kear, Lyn Wilson
Morning Tea: Linda Rees, Janet Storer
Counting: Vaughan +?

