

Sunday, 9th March 2014

<u>10.00 am</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	D. Ferrett
Communion Leader	C. Beasy
Children's Church	J. Cooke
Singers	D. Mountford, D. Clark, D. Ferrett
Band	Piano Disc, M. Waters, C. Beasy
Projector / Sound	C. Tonkin / P. Norris
Officer on Duty	R. Jackson
Welcome/Reception	J. Renfree / L. Potter
Helpers	G. Diggle, W. Duke, F. Duke, D. Shields, B. Eaton, P. Leng, C. Armstrong - reader, E. Wagstaff
Crèche	C. Waters
Cuppa	K. Underwood, S. Clarke, C. Clarke
Communion Prep.	C. Waters
Flowers / Cleaning	A. Munro / A. & B. Munro
Grounds	W. Duke & B. Eaton
<u>6.00 pm</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	N. Moritz
Communion Leader	D. Morrall + Prayer leader
Singers	S. Armstrong, D. Gray
Band	A. Tonkin, M. Burrow, I. Stewart
Projector / Sound	C. Tonkin / P. Norris
Officer on Duty	R. Jackson
Reception	A. Munro
Crèche	R. Fox

A MATTER OF PERSPECTIVE

Three clergy men were deep in a discussion of the best positions for praying while a telephone repairman worked nearby.

"Kneeling is definitely best," claimed one.

"No," another contended. "I get the best results standing with my arms outstretched to heaven."

"You're both wrong," the third argued. "The most effective prayer position is lying on the floor facedown."

The telephone repairman could contain himself no longer.

"Hey, guys," he interrupted, "The best praying I ever did was hanging upside down from a telephone pole."



Mainstream

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2nd March, 2014

Are you involved in an area of ministry within the life of our Church? I would love to see every single member of the Church actively involved in at least one ministry. From the youngest person to the oldest person. From the most mature of believer to the newest in the faith. There is a place for every single person to be using their gifts, talents, skill and experience to help build the Church of Jesus Christ.

Sometimes we make excuses regarding ministry, perhaps believing we are not good enough or that we don't know enough or that we don't have the 'Christian maturity'. That causes us to hold back and not engage. We can make all kinds of excuses, but as we look at those who Jesus chose as his twelve apostles we can see that our excuses amount to very little. Jesus didn't choose anyone who was a complete standout as far as talent or skill or 'holiness'. He chose some very ordinary men but through them he was able to do extraordinary things.

For our Church to function well and be effective and efficient in our various ministries we need you to be involved. So I invite you to speak with me, Josh or one of the Elders and together let's discuss and explore where you can make a contribution that will make a real difference in our Church as we seek to love God and love people.

ANDREW TONKIN

WELCOME

Welcome to church today. If you are a visitor we offer you a special welcome. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee following the

Today, Sunday 2nd March

10.00am

Andrew Tonkin
THE GOSPEL OF MARK
“Twelve Ordinary Men”

Worship Leader Joshua Cole
Communion Leader Matthew Cameron
Reading Mark 3: 7-19

6.00 pm

Andrew Tonkin
THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Worship Leader Joshua Cole
Communion Leader Robyn Hawtin

Next Week, Sunday, 9th March

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

&

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

6.00 pm

“The Sower”

Mark 3: 7-15

Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the lake, and a large crowd from Galilee followed. When they heard all he was doing, many people came to him from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, and the regions across the Jordan and around Tyre and Sidon. Because of the crowd he told his disciples to have a small boat ready for him, to keep the people from crowding him. For he had healed many, so that those with diseases were pushing forward to touch him. Whenever the evil spirit saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, “You are the Son of God.” But he gave them strict orders not to tell who he was. Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him. He appointed twelve - designating them apostles - that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons.

Loving God - Loving People

GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL

This Week

Sunday	2nd	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.30 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7FM
Monday	3rd	7.30 pm	Elders
Tuesday	4th	5.30 pm	Adventure Club
Thursday	6th	1.00 pm	C.W.F.
Friday	7th	7.30 pm	Youth Groups

MARCH

Dates for your Diary

March	7	World Day of Prayer
	29	Prayer Retreat
April	6	Hymn Singing
April 7,9,11		Children's Holiday Program
	18	Good Friday
	20	Easter Sunday

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, 6th March sees us off to the movies - at the Church, starting at 1.00 pm. Bring your movie munchies, sit back and enjoy “Miracle Dogs” with us. There will be a short meeting beforehand.

Devotions - Diane Morrall

“Obeying God in times of Terror”

1 Kings 16: 29-17:4

Hostesses: Gwenda Beruldsen and Dorothy Hind
Hope to see you there.

BLOKES INTO GOD

Monday March 10th -
Rehabilitating Pumps and Wetlands
Psyche Pumps and Wetland
Meet at Psyche Pumps
10 am - 2 pm, including bbq lunch-\$5
Gold coin donation to the Pumps.

A list is in the church Foyer, so please put your name down if coming or see Noel Underwood, Wayne Whitehead, Mathew Cameron or Peter Kelly for more details.

B.I.G.

World Day of Prayer

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Friday, 7th March
10.00 am

Come and share with Christians from all over the Globe as we lift our prayers for people less fortunate than ourselves - people who live without the opportunities to worship God freely.

ALL are welcome.

INTRODUCING...Is a new segment in the newsletter. Each week in the Mainstream, we are hoping to introduce as many members to you as possible in order for us all to get to know one another better. Auralie will be asking everyone if she can take a photo of them and if you can provide a profile of yourself. Please assist by promptly writing up a short profile and handing it to her.

INTRODUCING... Norma Dean



I was born and raised in Red Cliffs. My father, Arthur Martin, was a WW1 returned soldier who took up settlement on a dried fruits allotment in Red Cliffs and was one of the instigators in starting the Church of Christ in Red Cliffs. I was educated at Red Cliffs Central School and Mildura High School to Form 4 standard. I left school at 14 and most of my working life was working on a book-keeping machine at the Red Cliffs Co-op.

I was baptized in my teenage years and attended that church until I married Jack in 1951, and then transferred to Mildura. Jack and I were married 59 years. Jack was a very successful dried fruit's grower for many years and on selling our properties, he and his crew manufactured hundreds of steel wine bins. He also invented many gadgets that made a 'blockies' life easier. I was his off-sider over these years. We were blessed with 5 children - 3 boys, 2 girls, and they in turn presented us with 10 grand-children and now I am the proud great grand-mother to 12. After Jack passed away in 2010, I moved into a Unit at the Vines Retirement Village where I am very content.

ENCOUNTER CAMP

Combined Church Youth Groups' Camp

August 8th - 10th

Position Vacant for a Caterer

To provide 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches & 1 Dinner

For 120 teenagers

See Josh Cole for details

NEW COMERS' LUNCH

Sunday, March 16th

After the morning service

If you have been meeting with us regularly and would like to come and meet with the leaders and enjoy a fellowship meal, then you are invited to join us. Our Pastoral Care Deacon, Jeanie Kelly has an invitation to give you today, so speak to her in the foyer.

Please return the slip of paper on the invitation to let us know if you are coming. Leaders are also encouraged to return their reply slips.

All welcome

A silkworm was struggling out of the cocoon and an ignorant man saw it battling as if in pain, so he went and helped it get free, but very soon it fluttered and died. The other silkworms that struggled out without help suffered, but they came out into full life and beauty, with wings made strong for flight by their battle for fresh existence.

-Sadhu Sundar Singh

Morning's at seven;
The hillside's dew-pearled;
The lark's on the wing;
The snail's on the thorn;
God's in his heaven -
All's right with the world!

-Robert Browning

Family News & Prayer

- * We offer our sincere sympathy to Dorothy Hind and daughter, Heather Atkins on the death of their beloved husband and father, Alwyn Hind. A funeral for Alwyn was held at the church on Friday.
- * Congratulations to Brian Milne who was baptised last Sunday. Brian is a new comer, so meet up with him today.

PRAYER WEEK

Please Note:

Prayer Week will commence on the 10th March.
(Second week, not the first week as usual.)

HELPERS NEEDED

Children's Holiday Program
Monday, April 7th, Wednesday April
9th & Friday, April 11th.

Put your name on the list if you are
able to assist with kitchen helping,
Working with children,
Setting up & packing up.
Come for the three days, one day or
half a day.
Your assistance would be great!

POSITIONS VACANT

For R. E. Classes
A helper in the lower grades
And an emergency teacher

Friday mornings 8.45 am to 9.15 am.



Commence at the
Ranfurly School
On Friday, 7th March

Training available.

YOUTH GROUPS

Friday Night 7th March 7.30 - 9.30 pm

IGNITION - for years 5 - 8 & XLR8 - for years 9 -12

"Minute to Win It"

We're teaming up for some music and games.

Do you have what it takes to win under pressure?

At the Church - \$3

Mission Update

North Korea Publicly Executes 80.

As many as 80 people were publicly executed in North Korea earlier this month, some for offences as minor as watching South Korean movies or possessing a Bible. The story in Fox News said that a South Korean newspaper reported that the so-called criminals were put to death in seven cities in the first known large-scale public executions by the Kim Jong-un regime. Eight people with heads covered in white bags, were tied to stakes at a local stadium in the city of Wonsan, before authorities shot them with a machine gun. A crowd of 10,000 people, including children, were gathered and forced to watch the killings. Most of the victims were charged with watching or illegally trafficking South Korean videos, involvement in prostitution, or possessing a Bible.

The common theme of the persecution was crimes related to South Korea - like watching South Korean films - or corruption of public morals, especially sexual misconduct. North Korean law permits executions for conspiring to overthrow the government, treason and terrorism. But the country has also been known to order public executions for minor infractions such as religious activism, mobile phone use and stealing food, in an effort to intimidate the public.

There were no executions in the capital of Pyongyang, where Kim depends on the support of the country's elite. The young leader continues to build luxury and recreational facilities in the capital, including a new water park.

-Dan Wooding, ASSIST News Service

You can now listen to the sermons on pod cast.

The link is:

<http://milduracofc.podomatic.com/>