

Psalm 139: 1-11, 23-24

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- 1 O Lord, you have searched me out and known me: you know when I sit or when I stand, you comprehend my thoughts long before.
- 2 **You discern my path and the places where I rest: you are acquainted with all my ways.**
- 3 For there is not a word on my tongue: but you, Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 **You have encompassed me behind and before: and have laid your hand upon me.**
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me: so high that I cannot endure it.
- 6 **Where shall I go from your spirit: or where shall I flee from your presence?**
- 7 If I ascend into heaven you are there: if I make my bed in the grave you are there also.
- 8 **If I spread out my wings towards the morning: or dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,**
- 9 Even there your hand shall lead me: and your right hand shall hold me.
- 10 **If I say 'Surely the darkness will cover me: and the night will enclose me',**
- 11 The darkness is no darkness with you, but the night is as clear as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike.
- 23 **Search me out, O God, and know my heart: put me to the proof and know my thoughts.**
- 24 Look well lest there be any way of wickedness in me: and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

Prayer of the Week

O God, you alone can order our unruly wills and affections: teach us to love what you command, and to desire what you promise, that, among the changes and chances of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Emmanuel Anglican Church Nigeria

Let us continue to pray for Emmanuel Anglican Church, Owerre-Umudioka, Orlu, Nigeria.

A Parish Prayer for Growth

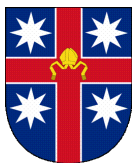
God of Mission, Who alone brings growth to your Church, Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions, and Power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A Prayer for Faith

Loving God, I bring before you,

_____,
I pray that they would come to accept Jesus into their life. Give them Joy and Peace in knowing You through Jesus and help them to be guided by the Holy Spirit, seeking to follow Jesus in all that they do. **Amen.**

Diocesan Prayer



God in whom we live, and move and have our being, we thank you for Jesus Christ who is the Good News. By the power of your Holy Spirit, enable us to be people who transform lives, make disciples and grow communities, that your glory may be revealed in all creation. We pray through your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**



Readings for 30th July 2023 — Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
Genesis 29: 15-28; Psalm 105: 1-11; Romans 8: 26-39; Matthew 13: 44-58



St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church Tweed Heads

Our Vision: Transforming lives through Jesus Christ.
Our Mission: Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ,
Making disciples and Growing faith communities.

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
23RD JULY 2023

WELCOME



Sentence: You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. Psalm 86.15

Collect:

Saving God,
in Jesus Christ you opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings for Today:

Genesis 28: 10-19a; Psalm 139: 1-11, 23-24; Romans 8: 12-25; Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

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Weekly Services: Sunday 9.00am, Wednesday 10.00am

Reflection

In this week's parable Jesus speaks of a small wheat seed and throws in some weeds for good measure. The combination of seed and weed brings to mind an image of a world where good and evil co-exist under God's creative hand. We all have weeds, sin, in our lives, and our insurance, to reduce our weeds, is committing to and living a life of faith; it requires ongoing renewal, commitment and effort. God will do the weeding for God's kingdom to live and thrive.

- Pray for the daily renewal of Jesus' presence and share that with unbridled generosity, patience and love – with a heart that sings under God's creative hand!
- Give thanks for all who work with or otherwise support refugees and asylum seekers around the world.

*Text: The Reverend Kate, Honorary Deacon
St Paul's Cathedral, Sale
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News from the Diocese

The Reverend Aaron Coates will be commissioned as the next Priest in Charge of the Parish of South Grafton on 26th July 2023, at 6pm.
Diocesan Ordination Service - Saturday 28th October 11.00am. The Rev'd Ruth Pobjoy and the Rev'd Mandy Larkin will be ordained priests at Christ Church Cathedral Grafton.

Soul Nurture Mini Day Retreat for Women

Friday 4th August 10am-3pm Uki's Historic Church 1470 Kyogle Road Uki.
Morning tea is provided 10am BYO lunch \$25.00 for the day.

Scrabble Group

Meets every Friday morning in the Church hall at 9.30am.
Everyone is welcome
Any queries please see Barbara Marr

Craft / Friendship Group

Meets every Monday afternoon
Twice a month we will meet for a Coffee/Lunch at Club Tweed.
Next month at Club Tweed is 7th & 21st August at 12.30pm
Everyone is welcome to come and join us.

Singing Group

Singing Group will be meeting on the second Thursday of each month.
Our next rehearsal is Thursday 10th August.
Starting at 4.00pm NSW Time.
Any queries please see Tricia Townend.

Personal Notes

Birthdays: 28th Jeri de Kievit



Prayer List

The following people are in need of our prayers at this time:

Mike Nash, Elsie McGrath, Edward Kay, Tony de Kievit, Matthew Read, Glynnis Gamble, Gwyneth Clarke, Mavis Johnson, Stephen Blaney, Chrissie Carroll, Bill Wordsworth, Louise Talbot, Alan Wyatt, Wendy Crook, Betty Hagen, Betty Bell, Fay Flaherty, Loretta Flaherty, Joy Kendrick, Iris Pyle, Val Chapman, Cressa Bartosek, Cliff Boyd, Janis Hepburn, Wynn Gilliland, Christine Charlton, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Elan, Robyn Hobson.

Church is committed to protecting your privacy. People on this list have requested prayer.

Please contact the Parish Office for any changes to the Prayer List

Coming up

Sunday	30 th July 2023 @ 9.00am	Godly Play
Sunday	6 th August 2023 @ 4.30pm	Spiritual Gym @ Lindisfarne Mahers Lane (4.30pm Refreshments, 5.00pm Service)
Saturday	12 th August 2023 @ 2.00pm	Fashion Parade
Wednesday	16 th August 2023 @ 6.00pm	Men's Night BBQ – St Cuthbert's Hall
Sunday	20 th August 2023 @ 10.30am	Parish Council Meeting
Saturday	2 nd Sept 2023 @ 9.00am	Church Working Bee
Sunday	10 th Sept 2023 @ 9.00am	Bishop Murray will be joining us

Mothers Union

Members of Mothers Union would like to thank all those who attended the Soup and Slice Lunch on Wednesday or contributed financially to our project for this year. The money this year will go to Northern Outreach Projects. These include financial assistance to three dioceses.

1. The Diocese of North Queensland to support travel costs for the Torres Strait Vice President, the Diocesan President and the Promotion & Education Coordinator.
2. The Diocese of the Northern Territory to support travel costs for women and their children to attend a training camp for Children's Ministry Leaders and to support ongoing Safe Ministry Training.
3. The Diocese of Northwest Australia for its Fellow Workers Conference.

Many thanks for your support of these important projects.

Fashion Parade 2023

"Our Fashion Parade has been arranged for 2.00pm **Saturday 12th August 2023**. Portofino Fashions will be showing their collection with our ladies modelling the outfits. Please put it in your calendar and invite your friends. More later".

Men's Night BBQ – St Cuthbert's Hall

Casual Social Gathering. Come and share fellowship and a meal together!
Wednesday 16th August 2023 at 6:00pm Cost: \$10.00
Guest Speaker: The Revd. Constantine Osuchukwu
BYO Drinks if you need something cool. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

Godly Play

Sundays 9.00am, **next dates are 30th July, 27th August, 24th Sept, 29th Oct, 26th Nov, 24th Dec.**
Godly Play: What is it? "In most religious education children are told what God did. In Godly Play children discover who God is." Children from ages 4 to 11 are welcome to join in.

Monthly Spiritual Gym — Hosted by the Anglican Parishes of the Tweed

Next Dates: 6th August, 3rd September, 1st October, 5th November, 3rd December
Where: Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School Chapel, **Time:** 4.30pm Refreshments, 5.00pm Service
St James Kingscliff, St Cuthbert's Tweed Heads, All Saints Murwillumbah, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School

Supporting our Parish Ministry

A Big Thank You to All who financially support our Parish either at Worship or electronically. We now have a new Bank Account with the Commonwealth Bank.

If you would like to contribute electronically to the mission and ministry of our Parish, you can use the following account. Direct Debiting to our St Cuthbert's Parish Account

Name: ST CUTHBERT'S ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA TWEED HEADS
BSB: 064410
Account No.:10395636

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