

DIARY DATES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 24.2.26 10.30am Weekly Tuesday Prayer Group Church Vestry

Wednesday 25.2.26 3.30-5pm NO Women's Connect group Parish Centre

Friday 27.2.26 1.15-2.30pm NO Friday Fellas Connect Group 41 Perseverance St (Peter Luelf's place)

Friday 27.2.26 7-8pm (+cuppa) "The Road to Calvary" (6 Week Series - each Friday until 27.3.26) Parish Centre.

Saturday 28.2.26 11am Waratah Village Service

Sunday 1.3.26 9.30am Weekly service St Barnabas (Bishop Mark Calder with us!)

LOOKING AHEAD

Friday 6.3.26 10am World Day of Prayer service at St Barnabas

Sunday 15.3.26 11am St Barnabas APM (AGM)

Saturday 21.3.26 Excellent Diocesan Conference Macquarie Anglican Grammar School, Dubbo 9am-3pm 'The Church I'd like to join Grows Disciples' (see David for transport on the day!...and book into the conference)

Readers: Please note to contact Marie on 0429 604 412 if you are unable to read, thank you.

An Invitation to a 6 week Lenten Series at St Barnabas Parish Centre
– Court St West Wyalong 7-8pm (+ a cuppa) Friday nights
starting Friday 20th Feb- Friday 27th March.



In this excellent series we will listen to Mike and discuss the sermon/ Bible passage- facilitated by David Hayman.

A time of fellowship with a focus on God's Word...Open to all churches in West Wyalong – from now to Easter.



THE ANGLICAN LANTERN
PARISH OF WEST WYALONG
Including Tallimba, Ungarie, West Wyalong,
Wyalong and Yalgogrin Nth.



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FEBRUARY 22ND YEAR C 2025—LENT 1.



Sentence: Lent 1

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Matthew 4.4

Prayer for Lent 1

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet did not sin: give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your will, that, as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Genesis 2: 15-17: 3: 1-7 NIV UK Version

15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.'

The fall

1 Now the snake was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God really say, "You must not eat from any tree in the garden"?'

2 The woman said to the snake, 'We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, "You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die."'

4 'You will not certainly die,' the snake said to the woman.

5 'For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.'

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realised that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Hear the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

We welcome everyone...



BIRTHDAYS:

Congratulations to those celebrating:
No Birthday's or Anniversaries this week.



Online Church Banking details for direct deposits.

St Barnabas Anglican Church
Parish of West Wyalong.

BSB : 082 912

Account No : 39 265 5435



Our New Invitation cards... spread the word!!

YOU'LL FIND A WARM WELCOME

**At ST BARNABAS ANGLICAN
WEST WYALONG**



We are a multi-generational fellowship who worship on Sundays at 9.30am in the church, followed by morning tea in the hall. We have a weekly prayer meeting and two Connect Groups (fellowship, friendship and focus on God's word) fortnightly.

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**St Barnabas West Wyalong
Parish Strategic Plan (PSP)- Short form**

Adopted by Parish Council 23.5.25

Sharing Jesus for Life

Objectives

- To be a church that is **dynamically Anglican.**
- To be a church that is **evangelistically enterprising.**

Key Ministry Areas

- Standardisation and elevation of the quality/tone of **Sunday Services**
- **Connecting personally** and pastorally with **parishioners** in aged care/or the wider community
- Positively and carefully **raising the profile** of the church community across the wider community
- Simple, **seasonal outreach events** that take into account the (very limited) capacity of the congregation; that includes welcome and follow up for visitors.



The feast on Pancake Night!- diary date for 2027— Tuesday Feb 9!!

HOLY COMMUNION

Susan Haines

Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7 Fran

Psalm 32 Shirley

Romans 5: 12-21 Stan

Matthew 4: 1-11 Rector

Parish of West Wyalong Mission Statement

WE SHALL SERVE CHRIST AND OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY AS AN ALL-AGE WELL-RESOURCED GROWING ANGLICAN

FELLOWSHIP USING THE "FIVE MARKS OF MISSION"

1. Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom.

2. Teach, baptise, and in prayer nurture new believers.

3. Respond to human need by loving service

4. Seek to transform unjust structures of society.

5. Strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Readings for Sunday 1ST MARCH 2026

Genesis 12: 1-4a Susan

Psalm 27 Lyn

Corinthians 9: 1-8 Jan

John 3: 1-17 Rector

Next Service 1ST MARCH 2026

WELCOMER

Lyn Jamieson



Helen West



MORNING TEA

BRASS CLEANING



FLOWER ARRANGING

Shirley Magrath



COUNTING TODAY

Geoff West
Marie Seckold



Service Schedule :

Service for next Sunday:

Holy Communion 9.30am



SAFE MINISTRY HELPLINE

1800 070 511

or email:

dps@saferrcommunities.net.au

Psalm 32 NIV UK Version

1 Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. **2 Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.**

3 When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. **4 For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.' And you forgave the guilt of my sin. **6 Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found; surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them.**

7 You are my hiding-place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. **8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.**

9 Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you. **10 Many are the woes of the wicked, but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the one who trusts in him.**

11 Rejoice in the LORD and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!

Hear the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**



NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 5:12-21

Death through Adam, life through Christ

¹² Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned –

¹³ To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. ¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! ¹⁶ Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: the judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. ¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

¹⁸ Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. ¹⁹ For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

²⁰ The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, ²¹ so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God



Prayer Requests:

Our Nation: Prime Minister, Premier, our Mayor and Councillors. All elected and appointed people in positions of responsibility and their decision making.



Worldwide Church: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

Bathurst Diocese: Trundle: served by a faithful Lay Minister. * We pray for rain across our parish and especially for our farmers and for those who rely upon the agricultural industries as we go back into drought with less than half our average rainfall. We pray for those making hard financial decisions at this time– particularly in relation to livestock & water. We pray that the Lord will be there to comfort and support his people through these difficult times. * We pray that the Lord continues to bless our 4 churches (Trundle, Tullamore, Albert, Bogan Gate) & that he would please help us to continue to grow our churches.* We ask the Lord for a minister who has a heart for ministry and loves country people; who wants to be in rural NSW and is good at pastoral care. * We continue to pray that we can support the people of our area as there is no minister of any denomination living among us.

Other Needs: Pray for the implementation of the Diocesan strategic plan, centred around the catch phrase SHARING JESUS FOR LIFE. Please pray that each parish might consider how they can take elements of the plan and put adapt and adopt them for their own parish and context. Pray that the plan will strengthen the witness of our diocese to the great news of Jesus and help train and equip us all in the task of making Jesus known.

Parish: We are thankful to God for His ongoing provision for us, and pray that He will guide us in His infinitely great wisdom for how we can faithfully serve His Kingdom. We thank God for David and Romayne who continue to minister to all.

Community: Pray for those who work in local businesses, industry and offices, especially as they interact daily with many people. May Christians who are in business, be strengthened to be honest and caring in all their dealings and be a witness to those who don't yet know Jesus. St. Vincent De Paul, Anglicare, Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels, Can Assist Committee, Far West Committee, Community Transport and their Drivers, Ambulance and Police Services, All Doctors and Nursing Staff at our local hospital.

We pray for Healing for: All patients who are in hospital, the Residents of the Waratah Village. We give thanks for the doctors and all staff who take care of them.

Remembering the Faithful Departed: We pray for the families of their departed loved ones on the anniversary of their death: Alice Scriven, Matthew Smith, Jack Campbell, William Sibraa, "Snow" Fuller, Beryl Burge, Bruce Spackman, Clara Perrot , Neville Heaslip, Edward (Ted) Jones.

Please for a suitable incumbent for our church

Bountiful God, in your mercy and grace please give to of St Barnabas, West Wyalong, a godly and Christ-like pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable the church to fulfil its calling. Do please give Bishop Mark and to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to the people of St Barnabas', warm and generous hearts. For Christ's sake. Amen



**A HUGE
thank you to
the catering
group for a
wonderful night
of Pancakes!
We raised
\$1134 for mis-
sions!**



Matthew 4: 1-11 NIV UK Version

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 4, beginning at verse 1...

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus is tested in the wilderness 4 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 After fasting for forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 The tempter came to him and said, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.'

4 Jesus answered, 'It is written: "Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."

5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the highest point of the temple. 6 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.' 7 Jesus answered him, 'It is also written: "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 9 'All this I will give you,' he said, 'if you will bow down and worship me.'

10 Jesus said to him, 'Away from me, Satan! For it is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only."

11 Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



Acting Rector Writes

Watching the Winter Olympics, you can't help admiring the acrobatic and specialist gifts and skills! Human bodies hurtling through the air with twists and turns or flying down small tubes with great speed or the beauty of dancing – and all with the added difficulty of slippery ice and snow!! How do they do it?!

No doubt they are gifted people, but they also need a love for their chosen sport and great determination ... and lots and lots of practise!

So it is with us as we prepare well for Easter!

This week we started the Lent 'season' with a terrific night of fun and food for 60+ of us in the Parish Centre with Pancake night (on Shrove Tuesday) and then a smaller group of 9 met for the more reflective Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday evening.

So how do we prepare well for Easter?

We take off and we put on!!

St Paul tells us that in Christ we are a new creation – the old has gone, the new is here! (2 Corinthians 5.17)

And in Hebrews we are reminded to “throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.” (Hebrew 12.1,2)

Paul says “Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.” (Ephesians 6.11) and again “clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience... And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.” (Colossians 3.12,14)

So in this time of reflection and preparation for Easter, as we look to the cross of Christ, what are you being challenged to take off – to cast aside? What hinders you in your walk with the Lord? What slows you down or even stunts your spiritual growth?

And what can you put on?--- to grow in your faith?

As you know we have the Friday Evening Lent series that is open to all the churches in West Wyalong... “The Road to Calvary”.. a video and discussion fellowship with Rev Mike Raiter (on screen) and David leading... 7-8pm (+ a cuppa) in the Parish Centre... hope to see you there.- for one or all the Friday nights before Easter.

Lastly a reminder that Next Sunday we have a 'Special Sunday' at St Barnabas with Bishop Mark Calder with us – and a 'thank you' to him as it is probably the last Sunday we will see him here before he retires in September .. please come – and please spread the word!

Every Blessing, David and Romaine.

World Day of Prayer

6th March 2026 at 10.00 am

at

St Barnabas Anglican Church

Churches are
coming together
to present this
service.



World Day of Prayer 2026
Join our local prayer
service focused on
Nigeria

Let us all
show a
united
community.

The Service is
followed by
Morning Tea.

All welcome.



Prayer for Lent:

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.