

Weekly News

Good morning and welcome to Church. It's great to have you here especially if you're new or visiting. We'd love to meet you after church over a cup of tea.

While Tim is away, I've been given the opportunity to connect with you through our weekly bulletin.

A brief introduction to those who don't know who I am. My name is Michelle Seers. I have worked part time in our Parish with our young people for the last 11 years and have experienced a challenge in recovering from a car accident 18 months ago and more recently a bone break in February. This means I haven't been able to work 3 days a week in the Parish like I used too. I do hope to return in the coming weeks with a couple of hours up my sleeve. Especially to get out our next prayer sheet.

I would like to express that I have appreciated how you have cared for me through prayer, visits and messages. It has certainly been difficult to fathom the pain faced over the last couple of years and am grateful to God for His continual source of comfort and strength. My go to verse has been Joshua 1:9 *"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."*

So very good to be home now. I've been to a couple of services at Blackheath and joined our teenagers for lunch during KYCK. (A youth conference in Katoomba). It was so encouraging to see and hear from our teens about what they were learning from Galatians over a meal. Jodie and Graham spent the whole weekend with them.

What's next for me? I will be travelling to Matilda Nepean Rehab hospital twice a week for eight weeks to have hydrotherapy and physiotherapy. Once that finishes, I hope to return to a couple of hours a week in the Parish. Not sure what that will look like and unsure how many hours I can genuinely return to. Please pray with me as we consider my return to work and what that will look like for the future.

Michelle

Blackheath Parish Men's Coffee morning is on this Friday 16th May start at 10am at Hartley Fresh on the old highway in Hartley. All men from across the Parish are welcome. Bring a friend.

Blackheath Parish Ladies Coffee morning is also on this Friday 16th May starting at 10 am at the V & A Hotel in Mt Victoria. All ladies from across the Parish are welcome. Bring a friend.

Women's Afternoon Tea—will be held on Saturday 17th May in St Peter's Church hall in Mt Victoria starting at 2pm. Kathy Thurston will give a talk about Aging Gracefully and help us think through the Bible's wisdom for us as we age. Everyone is welcome, bring a friend to share the afternoon with.

Blackheath Combined Churches Biggest Morning Tea.

All the churches in Blackheath are combining to be part of "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" raising funds for Cancer Research on Thursday 29th May in the Blackheath RSL hall, Bundarra Street starting at 10am until 12.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come for part of or all of the time.

A date for your Diaries—St Peter's is celebrating 150 years.

A service of celebration is planned for Sunday 15th June, 2025 starting at 2pm in the afternoon followed by an afternoon tea in the hall. Bishop Gary Koo is expected to attend and as many other past members as possible, The whole Parish is invited, St Peter's congregation is looking forward to this special occasion .

Meals for Michelle Seers—once again the opportunity to provide a meal occasionally for Michelle has been organised by Jodie. If you would like to be involved go to—

<https://takethemameal.com/QGGH0700>

Notes

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF BLACKHEATH

St. Aidan's Blackheath, St. Peter's Mt Victoria,
St. John's Hartley, St. George's Mt Wilson

CENTRED ON CHRIST

Building up One Another, Reaching Out to the World

Sunday 11th May, 2025—Mother's Day

SERVICES FOR TODAY

8.45am Mt Victoria —Morning Service

10.30am Blackheath— Morning Service

3.00pm Mt Wilson—Evening Service

6.30pm Blackheath—Night Church

First Reading—Genesis 4:17—5:32

Second Reading—Hebrews 11:1-16

Welcome

Next Sunday 18th May, 2025

Bible Readings

1st Reading—Genesis 6:1-22

2nd Reading—Jude

Prayers

St Peter's : Deb Orford. St Aidan's : Stephen Williams.

Night Church: Open Prayer.

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