

ST PAUL'S NEWS

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WELCOME

At St Paul's "we love because God first loved us" (1 Jn. 4:19). We believe in the inherent goodness of all people - that the divine dwells at the heart of all living things. We believe the whole world is sacred and so we seek to celebrate God's presence among us with joy.

As such, we are committed to the spiritual growth and wellbeing of all who seek a place to belong. St Paul's is an inclusive church, welcoming all and offering equal opportunities for those seeking an authentic spiritual community.

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Pastoral Message

In 2006 Kylie and I established a small business. It was a private practice through which Kylie offered her services as an experienced psychologist. The Federal Government had just implemented new Medicare rules that enabled people to access a psychologist in the same way they access a GP. There was Medicare rebated item numbers to keep costs down and increase the availability of mental health professionals.

The business made a strong start and grew from there. It only came to a close when Kylie decided it was time to return to the public service for her next professional challenge. The business ran successfully for a decade (without which I would have struggled to get through Seminary).

We both acknowledge that the only way we got this business off the ground and kept it running successfully for 10 years was by playing to our respective strengths. In short, I worked on the business and Kylie worked *in* the business. Kylie focused on providing high quality, tailored, professional clinical services and reporting to every client. I focused on developing efficient and effective policies and procedures, marketing, clinical governance and meaningful relationships with referring doctors.



September Readings & Services

Sunday Holy Communion 8.30am

Sunday Lota House 10.30am

Tuesday Morning Prayer 8.30am

Sunday 4th - Pentecost 13

Jeremiah 18.1-11

Ps. 139.1-3, 12-18

Philemon 1-25

Luke 14.25-35

Sunday 11th - Thanksgiving Day

Jeremiah 4.11-12, 22-28

Ps. 14

1 Timothy 1.1-2, 12-19a

Luke 15.1-10

Sunday 18th - Pentecost 15

Jeremiah 8.18-9.1

Ps. 79.1-9

1 Timothy 2.1-10

Luke 16.1-13

Sunday 25th - Pentecost 16

Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-16

Ps. 91.1-6, 14-16

1 Timothy 6.6-19

Luke 16.19-31



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Kylie did not enjoy the "PR" side of things, but happily sent me off in her stead as we understood that without marketing there would be no clients referred to the practice. It was also true that as clever as she is, Kylie could not care for a client and build relationships with referring doctors simultaneously.

Over the last 4 years we at St Paul's have needed to work *on* the parish. We could and did continue to offer ministry *in* the parish i.e. Sunday Services, but given the state of play for our parish and our desire to share a common future, the emphasis needed to be on the "business" of the parish (for the want of a better term). We assessed our situation together and acknowledged the need to focus on our own ministry model, our systems, assets and finances. Without this intentional work *on* the parish itself, there would soon be no parish to minister *in*. Our emphasis now needs to be *in* the parish i.e. now we have our own house in order, what ministries will we offer to whom and how will we ensure those ministries are life-giving, sustainable and grounded in Christ? Working *in* and *on* the parish are two different functions. Both are necessary. The question now is: how do you think we should minister *in* our parish and the community into the future?

Pace e bene,
Fr. Daniel+

September Ministry & Notices

10th Cursillo 10am speak with Jen

11th Thanksgiving Sunday 8.30am in church

15th Tatters & Chatters Craft Group 9.30am

27th Mothers Union Eucharist & Meeting 9.30am

Fr. Daniel annual leave 17 Sept - 1st Oct (Fr. George as Locum)

For Our Prayers

Please hold in prayer those who are unwell at this time or have asked for our prayers: David, Nancy, Merrilyn, Michael C, Gloria, Graham, Michael N, Gerald, Annie, Marie, Barry, Eddie, Joan, Shirley G, Glen, Shirley & Gordon, Shirley, Yvonne, Gayle & Lowie, Harline, Peter and Jean, David and Jody and Bev.

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