

Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 26th August



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10:00am Family Communion

Sermon: "The Unseen Battle" Rev David Smithson

Refreshments: Majella Heaton

This Sunday's New Testament reading is a timely reminder that there is another dimension to life – another realm - that is largely unseen, yet can affect our Christian walk, as well as the affairs and the societies of the world. Our Western society has drastically changed in the last decade. Should the Church conform with it? Romans 12:2, 9 states; **"...do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.... Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good."** Check out a book in our church library by the investigative journalist David Kupelian "The Marketing of Evil" which sheds light on this and what is going on, and be prepared to be shocked and challenged! God bless - David

Calf Fundraising Scheme. Please see the forms on the welcome table, or Sally-Ann & Richard. Information also in your newsletter

Foodbank: Current needs are tinned tomatoes, tinned soups, sugar, pasta sauce, pasta, rice, milk powder. Fresh vegetables are also most welcome.

Hear & Care Concert: Fundraising for Friends of Hospital Chaplaincy. Saturday 25 August, 7.30pm at St Paul's Collegiate Chapel. Tickets (adults \$20, child \$5) available at the door.

Readings for 26th August:

OT: 2 Kings 6:15-17

NT: Ephesians 6:10-12

Gospel: John 6:56-69

Reader:

Children: Kids activity packs with a chocolate treat ☺

Youth: Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church, Gordonton, & Weds 7pm "Ignite" @ - Horsham Downs Church.



+ Prayer Points +

- For the farmers of South Africa who are having their land forcibly seized from them
- For rain in drought stricken parts of Australia



In case of a fire during a church service, please note the nearest exit: Front porch entrance and the side door to the vestry office. Fire extinguishers are also located near these two doorways.