

Saint Mary's Newsletter: Aug 2023

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SERVICES FOR AUGUST

Sunday 6th:

10am Holy Communion Service: Transfiguration

Morning Tea: Melanie

Readings/prayers: Melanie

Sunday 13th:

10am Holy Communion: Patronal Service of St Mary



Morning Tea: Majella

Readings/prayers: Majella

Sunday 20th:

10am Holy Communion Service

Morning Tea: Karen

Readings/prayers: Karen

Sunday 27th:

10am Holy Communion Service

Morning Tea: The Clark's

Readings/prayers: The Clark's



New Vestment's Our vicar's vestments are 15 years old and are now getting threadbare. Charles also requires vestments for his upcoming Lay Ministry. They are about \$500 each! If you can assist in contributing to the cost, please donate, referencing: *Vestments*

Calf Fundraising Scheme: Donate a calf (if you are a farmer), or townies can donate \$300 which will cover the costs of purchasing a 4 day old bull old calf and rearing costs. It is an easy and low maintenance fundraiser that has the potential to raise over \$450 per calf sold. The better the calf, the higher the price we get for it.

Forms and info are on the Welcome table



CHURCH WORKING BEE SAT 19 & SAT 26

AUGUST 9am:

Let's get our sleeves up and stuck into getting our wee church ready to worship in again – bring ladders, beeswax based wood polishing products, disinfectant, rags, vacuum cleaners, electric hedge trimmers, spades, buckets, rubbish bags, hoses, spades, A Rug Doctor, Wet & Forget product, hedge trimmers, rose pruners. More details to follow below...



Working Bee Details



We will attempt to get much of the work done on the first working bee **Saturday 19 August at 9am**, and on the **26th Aug 9am** we will finish off any uncompleted work. On the **Friday 1st Sep** and **Sat 2nd Sept** will be the moving of church furniture etc and getting the church ready for its reopening service the next day **Sunday 3 Sep**

The **FRONT PORCH FLOOR** needs the old grey 1980's vinyl lifting and removing, then the matai wood flooring underneath sanded then coated with polyurethane. **Does anyone want to assist with this work?** You will need to have scrapers, an electric sander (vicar has one to borrow) sandpaper and brushes etc. This work should be done on the **5th and/or 12th August** so it can dry before the working bee. If you are wanting to do this work, and feel confident to do it, please see or call the vicar 02741300 or 07 8492761 evenings

For the working bee, we also need two people to each oversee and take on the pickup, purchase, and work, for the Wet & Forget, and the Rug Doctor hire. Any cost will be reimbursed. Please see the vicar if you want to oversee this

Working Bee Exterior Work:

- Clean out driveway gutter grill by front gate and clean driveway of leaves and mud with spade and wash off with a hose
- **Wet & Forget** to spray on lichen growing on asphalt, vestry steps that is covered in moss, and both front metal gates that are covered in lichen. *Wet & Forget from the Base \$100*
- Clean the St Marys sign from algae
- Trim the 3 camellias and the in-between roses, also removing a wild tree growing out from a camellia, and any weeds
- Paint the iron strap hinges and door knockers etc black on both external doors (Vicar has black paint and brush)
- Cleaning of exterior windows

Working Bee Interior Work:

- Place furniture/pews back.
- Vacuum carpet
- Clean out bathroom/toilet (later to take Christmas decorations to the Old School room for storage?)
- Vacuum old Dossal then store (in the Old School room later on?)
- Dispose of rubbish/junk on top of vestry cupboards
- Clean and disinfect kitchen cupboards, disposal of old plastic cups etc
- Dust altar, pews, window ledgers and all surfaces.
- Cleaning of interior windows
- Beeswax clean altar and pews (towards the end of the working bee)
- **Rug Doctor** clean of carpet (\$50 machine hire rate for overnight and \$23 cleaning product - \$50 bond back) **THIS SHOULD BE ONE OF THE LAST JOBS OF THE WORKING BEE**

Hero Truth Teller of the Month:

Pastor David Lynn is a Canadian pastor and street preacher. He boldly preaches the gospel and truth, often in front of hostile crowds as he calls them to repent. David has been arrested a few times after people called the Police as they were "offended" by what he spoke out on. He can still be found on YouTube, and TikTok platforms



St Mary's RE-OPENING Service

The Re-Opening of our beautiful wee church (and it will look even more beautiful!) is for **SUNDAY 3 September 10am** - the first Sunday of spring which is apt for new beginnings! Praise and Glory to God! We will welcome the Venerable Archdeacon Joel Rowse to celebrate with us

