

## ST FAITH'S PRAYER DIARY May 2017

**Matthew 6:9-10** *"This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven' "*

MON 1	<p>Our <b>Whole Church prayer meeting is on tonight at 7pm</b>. Thank God for the privilege it is to be able to come to Him in prayer, knowing that He hears and cares for us.</p> <p><b>WATOTO</b> – Pray for the St Faith's team at Watoto in Uganda, pray for productivity in work, many opportunities to share to the love of Jesus with the orphans and widows and that they are themselves being blessed by their interactions there. Pray for safe travel home at the end of the week.</p>
TUE 2	<p><b>Year 13</b> - Pray for Ella and Lucy as they prepare for their Fiji mission trip during Fiji training this week and at college next month; pray they would feel equipped for the mission trip and that the fellowship and community at Year 13 would grow stronger through this preparation to do mission together. Praise God for the generosity of those who have donated to Fiji mission fundraising, and pray that this could continue so that they are able to raise enough funds to pay for the trip.</p>
WED 3	<p>Thank God for those who serve as our <b>Church Wardens</b>, overseeing money and property matters at St Faith's. Pray for <b>Tim Harpur, Lyn Butcher and Brad Duce</b> as they meet this morning to review and plan, pray <b>God would give them great insight and wisdom</b> on how to serve his people in these areas.</p> <p>Pray the <b>guests at The Community Pantry always know they are welcomed, loved and cared for</b>. Give thanks for the volunteers who serve such a healthy nourishing meal each week. <b>Ask God to go before TCP in all their decision making</b>.</p>
THU 4	<p><b>WARRIEWOOD ANGLICAN</b> - Thank God for a good time at KYCK with <b>The J youth group</b>, and pray that the youth that come along will grow in love for God and one another, and numbers at The J will increase. Pray for wisdom, patience, understanding, open mindedness and faith as <b>Marcus and the people of WAC discuss plans for the future</b>.</p>
FRI 5	<p>Pray for the <b>Soulies 'Mission Month' beginning tonight</b>, that lots of youth who don't know Jesus would come and hear the gospel and put their trust in him for the first time.</p>
SAT 6	<p><b>INSPIRE TWILIGHT</b> – Pray <b>many young women will come along to Inspire Twilight on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm</b> in the Chapel and be encouraged! Pray for <b>Donna Kane</b> as she speaks on <b>Identity!</b></p>
SUN 7	<p>Pray for <b>Philip, Mitch and Marcus preaching this weekend</b>, for wisdom and insight for how they present God's word in a way that will be clear to those listening especially new people or those visiting. Praise God for the gift of a wider Church family, to share life's joys and struggles. Today we share in the <b>Baptism of Lachlan Berg at Morning Church</b>, <b>ask God to enable his parents Michael and Rebecca to raise him to know Christ</b>.</p>
MON 8	<p>Pray for the <b>ESL 'English as a Second Language' planning meeting today</b>. Pray fliers and advertising <b>reaches those who could benefit</b> from learning or improving their skills in everyday English. Pray <b>Julianne, Nina, Meri and others on the ESL team are prepared for the start of lessons next week</b>.</p> <p>Thank God for the way our <b>Bishop Chris Edwards seeks to serve us in the Northern Region</b> of the Anglican Church denomination in Sydney. There is a <b>two day conference for ministers</b> in the Region starting today. Ask God to use these days to help <b>Kerry and Marcus to be better equipped to serve us</b> at St Faith's and Warriewood Anglican.</p>

TUE 9	<b>MISSION – Paul and Sandra King – France</b> - Thank the Lord for Charles, Daniel and Laetitia, who have been involved in the Relay ministry apprenticeships and have joined the GBU student staff team; pray for the ‘Challenge to ministry’ weekend on the 12th-14th May, that French GBU staff will identify and invite students to learn about the opportunities for doing Word-centred ministries. Remember and thank God for his mercy and blessings over 25 years of mission service Paul and Sandra have had with the GBU and uni students. They will be leaving France and this long term mission with CMS in July.
WED 10	Give thanks for the guests who come to <b>The Community Pantry</b> each week and the relationships they have with the volunteers. Pray for the <b>volunteers including Jayne, Charis, Brad, Melissa, Lisa, Dave and others</b> to continue to work together well and happily serve, set up/clean up and make the <b>Mothers’ Day Dinner a special occasion.</b>
THU 11	<b>Gumtrees Playtimes</b> - Ask God to continue <b>to build good relationships among the women</b> who come each Wednesday and Thursday morning; pray for opportunities opportunities to <b>share Jesus with them</b> and that all would be willing to help facilitate the program. Pray for <b>Rosemary</b> and <b>Emma</b> who coordinate these groups.
FRI 12	Pray for <b>Mitch, Greg Gillespie, Marcus and others who are teaching SRE at Narrabeen High School</b> today - that God would give them wisdom and love as they share the gospel with the students there; pray many students respond with open hearts.
SAT 13	<b>MISSION – Chris and Karen Webb – Broome.</b> Give thanks for their heart for and work sharing Jesus with the aboriginal people of The Broome People’s Church and others in the Kimberly WA. Pray they have been refreshed by their time on home assignment in NSW. Pray for their <b>commissioning service today at 10:30AM at St Stephens Anglican Church, Belrose</b> for their return to Broome later this month.
SUN 14	<b>Give thanks for mothers</b> and the role they play in nurturing children and families. Pray mothers in our church and elsewhere continue to look to God for guidance on how best to nurture relationships in the family. Pray for comfort for those for whom <b>Mother’s Day</b> is a time of sadness and regret. Pray for <b>Neil and Ben preaching at all services this weekend</b> on ‘Powerful Prayer’; ask God to speak through them to encourage and strengthen us in taking our cares and concerns and gratitude to God.
MON 15	Pray there will be a good turnout for the <b>start of ESL lessons today.</b> Pray for <b>numbers to grow</b> and people who attend to <b>develop good relationships with those teaching and with each other.</b> Pray for the crèche, morning tea, and setup/pack up helpers to be <b>well prepared and all are welcoming.</b>
TUE 16	Thank God for those who serve on our <b>Parish Council.</b> As they meet tonight, ask God to especially give wisdom to <b>Linda, Kerry, and the rest of the team</b> as they look at improving our Ministries at St Faith’s, and at <b>our upcoming 100 Year Anniversary</b> of ministry on this site at Narrabeen.

WED 17	Give thanks for the <b>musicians Rob and Kate</b> , who play music for the guests <b>at The Community Pantry</b> , ask God to sustain them as they set up all their equipment each week. <b>Pray for the guests including Alan, John, Anna, Madeleine, Richard and others</b> , to know they're loved by the actions of volunteers.
THU 18	Pray for a successful <b>"BIGGEST MORNING TEA AND QUILT SHOW"</b> 9.30-11.30am today at St Faith's with funds being raised for the Cancer Council; give thanks for the energy of Judith Baker organising this event.
FRI 19	<b>LIGHTHOUSE</b> - Pray for the <b>LightHouse leaders including Chelsea, Jess, Jacqui, Phoebe, Daniel, Toby, Dan, Duce, Zeplen, Josh , Claire, Sarah, Lauren</b> , pray for dedication, that they will look forward to <b>sharing the gospel this term with the children</b> . Pray that the children's first priority will be to <b>learn more about Jesus</b> and that they will <b>accept Jesus as their Lord and Saviour</b> . Pray for <b>safety</b> during all activities, for <b>wisdom for Annelie</b> to coordinate the program well and for good health for the leaders, the kids and for Annelie. Give thanks for the <b>catering ladies</b> who will provide the afternoon tea and for ministers and others for the support they provide.
SAT 20	<b>MISSION – Irwan and Catherine Uni of Wollongong AFES</b> - Give thanks for the Easter mission where hundreds of students heard what Easter is through the Bible talks and 'walk up'. Thank God for the 94 students who attended FOCUS 'Easter Explained', many hearing for the first time what is Easter about. Pray they are followed up well. Thank God for the 7 students meeting regularly with Irwan to study the Gospel of Luke at Campus East residential college. Pray for 'A' to grow in Christ as he waits for news from Australian immigration. Pray for Irwan and Catherine as they persevere in reaching out to people of other faiths, that God will open up hearts and that they will have the hunger to seek Him through His word.
SUN 21	Pray for Kerry and Marcus preaching this weekend on 'Treasure that Lasts'. Pray that God will speak through them and moves us to follow and honour Jesus all the more and allow him to guide our focus and desires.
MON 22	<b>The Cottage Counselling Centre</b> - Thank God for His provision for this centre, for each of the clients He brings, for the Counsellors He works through and for financial provision. Thank God for the Seminar on Anxiety with the opportunity to inform the community so those that need support know The Cottage is here. Pray for those who need help to have courage to make the call. Pray for a positive outcome to the Grant Applications to Dee Why RSL and Pittwater RSL. Pray for all the Counsellors, that they would have wisdom as they work with clients. Pray that people would be generous with their money when they are encouraged to do so for the <b>end of financial year support</b> .
TUE 23	<b>GUMNUT KINDY</b> - Give thanks for new families who have started at Kindy over the last few weeks and pray for more enrolments. Pray for <b>Trish</b> and <b>Victoria's</b> studies that they are enriched with learning, and that God would bless them through the challenges that may arise during their studies and that they are able to rest between work and study..

WED 24	Pray <b>The Community Pantry</b> continues to provide a safe environment for people who are struggling, to come and enjoy a meal with their family and that they become good friends with one another and the volunteers. Give thanks for <b>Graham and Chris who come each week to help set up</b> at TCP.
THU 25	<b>WAR VETS</b> - Give thanks for <b>reaching many people through the Easter Services and Anzac Services</b> , pray this leads to more people joining in fellowship in following Christ with a whole hearted commitment. Pray for <b>Glen Walsh who is completing Chaplaincy studies and 'practical assessments'</b> . Pray God will continue to use Glen through evangelism and leading a Christianity Explained Course in the near future. Pray for the <b>Men's Day Out on 31<sup>st</sup> May</b> with morning tea at Cowan and ferry trip from Brooklyn, followed by lunch. Pray it is a great time <b>for building friendships and community spirit that will open the doors</b> to sharing the Christian faith. Pray both Chaplain <b>Bob</b> and Lesley and Chaplain <b>Tony</b> and Gina are renewed physically, emotionally and spiritually and have been able to support family members during their recent leave.
FRI 26	<b>MISSION – Geoff and Martha Boye – Tanzania</b> – Pray for the Boye family as they continue to settle in to their new house in Arusha and adjust to the routines of commuting to Munguishi Bile College and schools. Pray for safety driving on the local roads and for focus for Geoff as he prepares and presents lectures in Swahili. Pray for ministry opportunities for Martha with the wives and families of the other teachers and students. Pray Tanzanians can know their Bible better and through Tanzanian pastors and evangelists the Tanzanian church will grow and be strengthened.
SAT 27	<b>EQUIP</b> – Pray those women from St Faith's going to the Equip Conference – "Daughters of Eve" - today would be encouraged and built up in their faith. Pray for speakers Isobel Lin, Carmelina Read and others.
SUN 28	Pray for the <b>Traditional Church Task Force including Philip, Christine, Nola and others</b> as they meet today to ensure that the members of that congregation are supported and cared for.
MON 29	<b>MISSION – Kent and Linda – Interserve</b> - Pray for them as they seek to serve God through various avenues in their life, Kent with prisoner inmates, Linda coordinating the OnTrack mission program for those on Short Term mission around the world and their sons Jack and Caleb both leading discussion groups with Christian groups at uni. Pray they continue to trust God with all aspects of their life and with where he leads them.
TUE 30	<b>MISSION – Fiona Kirsop - CREDO at UTS</b> - Pray Fiona is able to be reading the bible with new students, encouraging them to know and mature in Jesus Christ. Pray for good followup for new students and for those who attended the Easter Time Conference 'Inside Out'. Give thanks for those students leading uni small groups, pray they are faithful to the Word and are well supported by Credo staff.
WED 31	Give thanks for the <b>Neilson team including Kathy, Adam, Jenny, Steve, Lisa, Stuart and others</b> as they serve guests at <b>The Community Pantry</b> , pray that God sustains them and they work together well in harmony and love. Pray for guests to feel comfortable and cared for.

**Deadline for next Prayer Diary prayer points: Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2017.** Send in writing to the office or email to [office@stfaiths.org.au](mailto:office@stfaiths.org.au) Note: We may not be able to include everything.