

## ST FAITH'S PRAYER DIARY July 2019

**Numbers 6:24-26** <sup>24</sup> ““The LORD bless you and keep you; <sup>25</sup> the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; <sup>26</sup> the LORD turn his face towards you and give you peace.””

MON 1	<p><b>Jesus Club</b> - Give thanks for our Jesus Club members - Pippy, Ryan, Dylan, Kathryn, Ben, Adam, Brendan and their parents and carers. Give thanks for the enjoyment members have had creating their artworks this term. Pray we can encourage each one of them tonight as we reflect on their gifts from God and His creation. Give thanks for Bec and her creativeness, leading us in these art projects over the last 2 terms. Please pray for refreshment during the school holidays for our leadership team including Sandy, Glenn, Verity, Dan H, Dan F, Bailey and Natalie and wisdom with planning for Term 3. Please also pray for 2 more supper helpers.</p> <p>Pray for <b>Neil S and Angus H as they write and practice the Chill Out Kids Holiday club talks</b>. Pray that they will clearly share the good news about Jesus to the kids and that many will put their faith in Christ.</p>
TUE 2	<p><b>Gumnut</b> - Thank God for the safe installation of the Softfall, and for all the St Faiths staff members who came in and read to the children while the work was going on. Thank God for the educators who so diligently and patiently planned for the children. Please pray for further funding though the Start Strong project so that work can be done on other areas of the playground. Pray for the safety of all who will be away during the school holidays.</p>
WED 3	<p>Pray for the <b>Community Pantry (TCP)</b> as they have Christmas in July tonight. Pray for Neil Souter to be clear in his message as he shares from the bible the sure hope we have in Christ; pray our guests will have ears to hear and softened hearts so they see their need for Jesus in their lives. Give thanks for the volunteers who serve so sacrificially. Pray that God would raise up more people to serve in this important ministry.</p>
THU 4	<p>Give thanks for our <b>MTS apprentice, Holly Ramsay</b>. Ask God to give her renewed energy for the week ahead <b>as she leads a Cru camp for teens at the snow with her husband Dave</b>. <b>MISSION – Craig Glassock - Vinegrowers</b> - Give thanks for Craig's recovery from pneumonia and for answered prayer in this regard and for the transformation taking place in people and churches through The Vine Project process. Please pray that God would generously provide for the ministry of Vinegrowers via our support raising campaigns in coming months. Please pray for God to help Craig prepare well and speak through him as he delivers a 'transformation' sermon at St Faiths at 8:30,10:30 and 6pm on Sunday, July 7.</p>
FRI 5	<p>Pray for the <b>youth from Soulies and their parents</b> who are coming together <b>tonight to hear from Patricia Weerakoon on the topics of gender, identity, and sex</b>. Ask that God would conform their views to his own and use this night to begin a helpful and healthy conversation on these difficult issues.</p>
SAT 6	<p>Pray for the <b>Chill Out team meeting this afternoon</b>. Give thanks for the many volunteers giving up their time. Pray the meeting together would help us to feel ready for next week. Give thanks for <b>Beck McCausland (director), Rosemary MacGregor (Kindy section leader), Lyndal Foote (Yr1-2 section leader) &amp; Keely Ryan (Yr 3-5 section leader)</b>. Pray for <b>Neil as he speaks at Saturday Church, Arvo Church and Warriewood this weekend</b>; pray he will speak clearly and faithfully from God's Word and that God's Word would be a lamp to His people's feet and encourage them to stand firm in Christ.</p>

SUN 7	Give thanks for our <b>children's ministry leaders across Saturday, Morning &amp; Arvo congregations</b> . Pray for the leaders as they have a rest from leading - that they would be refreshed and renewed for another season of serving in this way. Give thanks for <b>new leaders - Tilly and Demi</b> - stepping up to serve in this ministry in Term 3.
MON 8	Thank God for the accounts we have of Jesus' life, in the gospels. Pray for <b>Kerry and his colleagues Chris, Michael and Stephen, as they spend time this week studying part of Mark's gospel together</b> . Pray that God would help Kerry to learn much, and <b>be better equipped to lead us in studying this part of Mark's gospel in fourth term</b> , at St Faiths.
TUE 9	Pray for our <b>Small Group leaders who are meeting tonight to prepare and be equipped for term three studies in Deuteronomy</b> . Pray for Ben Molyneux as he leads the leaders in this time and ask that God would equip leaders well as they seek to serve us and help us to grow in our knowledge and love of Jesus.
WED 10	<b>TCP</b> - Pray for our guests as they struggle to keep warm this winter, as some live in cars or on boats. Pray too for some guests who struggle with physical and/or mental issues. Pray for healing for body and mind, and for peace in situations that threaten to overwhelm. <b>WAR VETS</b> - Pray the Men's Day Out to the Penrith Museum of Fire on 15 July is a good time and a chance to get closer to people that leads to opportunities to share the gospel; and ask God to keep everyone safe. Pray for Tony to be able to spend more time while visiting those needing pastoral care. Pray for two new christians attending bible study to grow in their faith in God.
THU 11	<b>WAC</b> - Give thanks for the good turn out who came to hear <b>Bob Mendelsohn from Jews for Jesus</b> speak on the topic of Pentecost (Shavuot in Hebrew). Thank God it was <b>an opportunity to hear about salvation through faith in Jesus</b> , and those who were spurred on to see Jewish people come to know Jesus as their Messiah. Pray for Bob Mendelsohn and Jews for Jesus as they bring the gospel to Jewish people. Please pray that those who came will have a desire to grow in their love and knowledge of God. Thank God <b>for all our members who invited friends</b> and put a lot of effort into an amazing morning tea (the traditional Jewish food of cheesecake at Pentecost).
FRI 12	<b>COTTAGE COUNSELLING CENTRE</b> - Thank God for the response of faithful supporters to our Promotion in our churches, please pray that the Lord will continue to touch hearts and more will be prompted to pray for us, tell others about us and financially support us. Please pray for each of the counsellors for wisdom as they bring comfort and healing to their clients. Please pray the clients will experience some relief and find inner strength and strength from God. Please pray for the Board as we explore fund raising and taking our brochure into the corporate world.
SAT 13	Give thanks for the <b>Children's Ministry Leaders at Saturday Church (Nicole L, Jeremy H) and Arvo Church (Suz E, Erin S, Gerogina N and Lyndal F)</b> . Pray they will be having a refreshing break from serving our children. Pray that <b>God would raise up more leaders</b> that are desperately needed for this vital ministry within our church.
SUN 14	Pray for <b>Philip preaching at Traditional and Morning Church today</b> as part of our Transformed series, pray his message encourages us to continue to trust in the Word and faithfully follow Jesus and share his gospel. Please pray for <b>Holly Ramsay as she speaks at Night Church today, sharing her TRANSFORMED story</b> . Ask God to strengthen her with trust in him and confidence in her preparation.

MON 15	Thank God for the great news that Jesus is the Vine, and that all those connected to him will be fruitful. <b>Pray for Kerry as he prepares to speak this Sunday</b> , that he would be effective in pointing people to how to know and remain in Jesus. <b>Ask God to bring many new families contacted through "Chill Out" along to church this weekend.</b>
TUE 16	Pray for <b>Neil S and Angus H as they share the good news of Christ with all the children who come to Chill Out Kids Holiday Club over the next three days.</b> Pray that the kids will respond to the Greatest Treasure in the world in having peace with God through Jesus.
WED 17	<b>TCP</b> - Give thanks for the Committee that oversees this Ministry. Pray for strength for them, the many team leaders and volunteers, and our wonderful musicians. Pray they will all continue to show Jesus' love to all the guests. Pray for more volunteers to help on teams, and for <b>the need for more people to prepare meals.</b>
THU 18	<b>WAC</b> - Many <b>core members at Warriewood Church have been very ill recently</b> , thank God that they are slowly recovering, and please pray that they will rely on God, and seek strength and comfort from Him. Thank God for <b>nearly 30 people who are new to Warriewood Church, or have come at least 3 times in the last 12 months.</b> We will be hosting a ' <b>Welcome Lunch</b> ' for them on 28 July. Please pray they will feel welcomed and valued, and understand clearly who we are, what we believe and how to get involved. Thank God for the new evangelism team at Warriewood Brook that is thinking through an evangelistic pathway. Please pray for wisdom in thinking through what is the best 'next step' for those who don't know Jesus as their Lord, or who don't know Jesus well.
FRI 19	<b>LIGHTHOUSE</b> - Pray Lighthouse kids continue to be encouraged by Acts, and be bold enough to tell their friends about Jesus. Pray leaders might really invest in their relationship with Jesus, and grow in love for him so that they can then invest in the kids at Lighthouse.
SAT 20	<b>MISSION – Dan and Liv Webster – Namibia</b> - Pray for Dan and the other teachers at Namibia Evangelical Theological Seminary and students as they start the new semester. Pray they teach faithfully from God's word so the students are well prepared to take the Gospel back to their own communities. Pray God would use graduating students for his glory. Pray especially for Derek who hopes to be a lecturer next year, for Alsi as she works in Ministry and for Pastor Isidore who plans to be leading the new bible college he has set up in DRC (Democratic republic of Congo) so as to better train pastors for the 15 churches he has started there so far.
SUN 21	Give thanks for the <b>Soulies and Lighthouse youth leadership team.</b> Pray that as they <b>meet today to plan and prepare for Term 3</b> that they would have wisdom and creativity in making each Friday afternoon and night both focused on Jesus and a fun place for youth to grow in their relationships with one another. <b>MISSION – Irwan and Catherine – AFES at UOW</b> - Pray for the Mid Year Conference starting tomorrow 22- 26 July; pray Irwan and others speaking at seminars and electives are well prepared and faithful to God's word; pray many students will be transformed by God's word. Ask God to sustain Irwan and Catherine as they build trust, meet with and follow up a growing number of students and acquaintances who are willing to consider JC. Pray for James who Irwan is encouraging and training in sharing the good news with international students.

MON 22	<b>ESL</b> - We thank Almighty God for carrying us last term. A number of our longer term students have returned to their home countries, and as we sadly say goodbye, we pray that they will have grown in both their English skills, and also their awareness of Christianity and Jesus through our relationships with them. As we go into third term, please especially pray for Lisa McDonald, Kathy Neilson, Cathie Molyneux, and Pat Franklin, as they assist with morning tea, in teaching and caring for the children. Ask the Lord to give us a sensitivity for each student, to better understand their needs and backgrounds.
TUE 23	Thank God for those who serve on <b>Parish Council, which meets tonight (including Jeanette, Linda and Lyn)</b> . Pray for wisdom as they discuss the Ministry at Warriewood Brook Retirement Village, and for Marcus as he shares progress, struggles and plans for the future.
WED 24	<b>TCP</b> - Give thanks for the <b>opportunity we've had to apply for 2 grants</b> to enhance this Ministry. Pray for wisdom and God's will as funding is allocated for these grants.
THU 25	<b>MISSION – Chris and Karen Webb – Broome</b> – Give thanks for their faithful service at Broome Peoples Church serving the local Aboriginal community and communities further afield in the Kimberley area. Pray for the newer, younger members of church to grow in their love and knowledge of God and for the group and regular events Chris and Karen are starting to encourage these younger (under 40's) in their faith.
FRI 26	Pray for <b>Soulies as they start back in Term 3</b> , that many young people would come and grow in their faith in Christ, or respond to the gospel for the first time.
SAT 27	Pray for <b>Neil preaching on our new series in Deuteronomy this weekend at Saturday Church and Arvo Church</b> . Pray that this important part of God's word will help us all to grow in our love, knowledge and sure hope in our Lord and Saviour Jesus.
SUN 28	Pray for the <b>Community Pantry update across all services at St Faith's this weekend</b> . Pray that people will be encouraged by the ministry being done at The Community Pantry and that <b>more people will help</b> with this important ministry. <b>WAC</b> – pray many new people attend the <b>WAC Welcome lunch</b> and connect well today.
MON 29	Thank God for those he raises up to serve as ministers in our Anglican Denomination. Pray for <b>Kerry as he shares tonight with a group of aspiring Rectors</b> , that he would have spiritual insight and understanding, as he seeks to talk about what is important in the role of Rector in an Anglican Church.
TUE 30	<b>MISSION - Fiona Kirsop - CREDO at UTS</b> – Pray for those considering ministry apprenticeships with Credo to be growing in faith and willing to make the bold step to commit 2 years to being trained for God's mission. Pray for good conversations and dependence on God in his purposes, as Credo looks to train 5 new apprentices for the harvest field in 2020.
WED 31	<b>MISSION – Stuart Robinson – Power to Change</b> - Please pray as we begin to fill up the year with bookings, that God may go ahead of us to prepare the hearts of those who will hear the gospel through this ministry. Please pray for God to continue to strengthen me in this ministry, that I may continue to draw upon his spirit to empower me. Please pray for all the Illusion team members, that they may continue to walk in the spirit, following after God's heart and his lead.

**Deadline for next Prayer Diary prayer points: Tuesday, 23rd July 2019.** 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.*