



20-27 August 2023

Our mission is to:

Shine with the love of Jesus, grow mature disciples and declare the Good News.

It is with sadness that we let you know that on Friday afternoon, Bec went to be with Jesus. She was at peace knowing where she was going and, in the words of one of her nurses, she was as courageous at the end as she was through the whole journey. Her faith has been so strong. Paul, the apostle, wrote in 1 Thessalonians 4.13, 14 & 18, "Brothers and sisters we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death so that you grieve like the rest of mankind who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus rose and died again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. Therefore encourage one another with these words."

Please keep praying for the family as they grieve. Their faith is extraordinary, as this is an incredible loss. Please pray for the staff at the hospital who experienced Jesus' light shining through Bec. Pray that they will let Jesus touch their lives too. Please pray for our church as we grieve the loss of someone who we loved so dearly.

The celebration of Bec's life is on Thursday August 24 at our Longbeach Church St Chad's Centre at 1:30pm. If you could bring a plate of afternoon tea we would be very grateful.

Ruth, her twin sister, sent the following to us just after Bec died and it sums up beautifully Bec's last day... continued page 2



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And Bec's wait is over. Bec entered into eternity a little before sunset. She had a fabulous morning - she watched the sunrise with Mum and Dad. Mischief and Mayhem came in for some snuggles. Bec was beaming, at peace and after a few more hugs and kisses, she was ready.

The amazing team at the Alfred made it all possible. They went above and beyond, with such care and patience. They arranged a room with a view, with all her photos in sight, they even found some fake greenery to brighten the space.

At some point, during the vigil, whilst we were singing worship, I found the peace that Bec had. My heart is broken, but not jagged. She was ready, and with God's help, I was too.

Mum and Dad were holding her hands as sunset began, and she breathed her last.

I don't know what comes next. For now, I'll soak in the comfort of my family, the people who know and loved her best.

But do keep praying. God's got Bec now, and He has me too.

Ruth xo

*Be assured of Jaqueline's, Ron's and my prayers for you all,
Sue Bluett*

Father's Day

In Australia we celebrate Father's Day on the first Sunday in September, which this year will be held on Sunday September 3. Father's Day is about being thankful to the men in our lives who took on the responsibility and obligations of guiding us through life. Most of the time, taking that responsibility begins at the birth of their child. But, sometimes God gives children their father through other paths. Father's Day is about remembering fathers and being thankful for the man or men in our lives who stepped up and shouldered the responsibility of fatherhood for us. It is also about recognizing that some fathers need encouragement and support to be better fathers than they currently are. We will be celebrating Father's Day at both the 8am and 10am services at St Chad's. As part of our 10am Father's Day service, men are invited to wear their most colourful shirt, with prizes being awarded for the ones judged as the loudest and most bold.

Bible reading Sunday 27 August: Luke 5:1-11, 27-31; 6:12-15

3 September: Luke 5:1-11

Winter Warmers MoJo Concert 13th August

Thank you to the 100+ people who purchased tickets, and all those who prepared food, worked on the day and cleaned up afterwards. Huge thanks also to MoJo—it was a wonderful afternoon, enjoyed by all which raised **\$2,254.50** for Winter Warmers hampers.

Southern Stars Stage Band Concert



DATE CHANGE!
Saturday 9 September
Doors open 1pm
St Aidans Church Carrum
Cnr Poulson/McCleod Rd
Concert 1.30 to 3pm
Afternoon Tea to 4pm

Tickets online here



Early Bird Adult \$15, Conc \$12
EARLY BIRD ENDS AUG 20
From 21/8 Adult \$20, Conc \$17

Last chance for Early Bird tickets to Southern Stars Concert!

The early bird prices end midnight this Sunday August 20. Anthea & Lyn will be at St Chads 20/8 to sell tickets. Please contact Anthea 0439 375 063 if you need help purchasing tickets.

Donations needed for raffles

We need donations of new items to include in the raffle baskets we make up for the market and the concerts. If you have any new goods that would be suitable please speak to Sue or Jaqueline.

Winter Warmers need knitted goods

Winter Warmers would be very grateful for donations of handmade beanies, scarves and lap rugs. If you can help or if you need wool please call Lyn on 0419 525 265

Pantry 5000 Food of the Week Cereal and instant noodles

Happy Birthday This Week... Sarah Littler, Stuart Littler
Happy Birthday Next Week... Carol Bradshaw,
Mary Tyrell, Cathy Ashley

Services in the church

10am at St Chad's every Sunday
8am at St Chad's 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month
11am at St Aidan's 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

This week in the church

Mon	9:30am	Pastoral Care Meeting
Tues	10:45am	Matt's Place at St Chad's
Tues	11:15am	Lunch Church/Alpha
Wed	9:30am—1:30pm	Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's
Wed	1pm	Church Prayer Meeting
Thurs	10am	Playgroup at the Silly Seahorse
Thurs	1:30pm	Funeral of Bec Featonby
Thurs	7-8:30pm	Singing group at St Chad's (you will be notified)
Fri	10:00am	Quilting and Craft Group at St Chad's (Aug 25)

Soon in the church

9 September	Southern Stars Concert Band at St Aidan's
16 September	9am-12:30pm Church Market
16 September	Kannada Church Service at St Chad's
15 October	Chelsea Concert Band at St Chad's
18-21 October	Synod

Prayer Chain requests—Christine Taylor 0407 725 692

Ongoing prayer—email requests to Jaqueline or Sue

Pastoral care—Sue Bluett 0433 024 626

Prayer has been requested for: Adriana, Bec, Beth, Doug, Emma & Amelia, Graeme, Howard, Hunter & Stefanie, Jasmine, Jessica, Kayden & Elisabeth, Keith, Ken, Leonie, Lindy, Lou, Margot, Michael, Michelle, Nigel & Chris, Phoebe, Raymond, Richard, Sandra, Sharon, Stephen T, Will

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