

## ST FAITH'S PRAYER DIARY    **October 2019**

**Mark 9:7** *Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud:*

*"This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"*

TUE 1	<p><b>MISSION – CRAIG GLASSOCK – VINEGROWERS</b> - Please pray for all the team to have renewed energy and passion, as we talk about the true meaning of Christmas, in the lead up to the end of the year. Pray for the student's hearts to be open to Jesus. Pray for Craig as he travels to the US with Tony Payne from Matthias Media. Ask for God's wisdom and insight as we partner with churches to grow disciple making culture in their context. Pray for the strengthening of partnerships with churches. Pray for good health and energy for Craig for the duration of the trip (September 18-October 16) and that he would take time to rest during the month. Pray for energy and God's strength for Samantha and the boys whilst Craig is overseas.</p> <p>Also continue to pray for <b>Ben Molyneux, Yvette and family as they continue their trip in the USA.</b></p>
WED 2	<p><b>THE COMMUNITY PANTRY (TCP)</b> – Praise God for the \$50,000 government grant for a commercial kitchen for TCP at the Shark's Clubhouse. Pray for wisdom for choosing and installing that kitchen.</p>
THU 3	<p>Thank God for <b>MTS (Ministry Training Strategy)</b>, their commitment to training gospel workers, and <b>our current MTS worker, Holly Ramsay</b>. Ask God to continue to raise up more workers for the harvest.</p>
FRI 4	<p><b>MISSION – IRWAN AND CATHERINE – AFES UNI OF WOLLONGONG</b> - Thank God that he has put on the hearts of 25 students to consider ministry as vocation. Please pray for the MTS Mission-Minded Conference (Oct Long Weekend) where we will encourage and help them in discerning if this is an option for them. Pray for Irwan's preparation for training students reaching out to M friends. Pray for outreach this semester to read Mark's gospel with non-believer students; pray for the Campus East student group Irwan leads on Tuesday nights and for those he meets with one to one. Ask God to open hearts of all these contacts including the women that Catherine meets with and supports . Pray they are able to share the good news with their elderly and ill neighbours John and Vera and for Nadia's friends to also hear and accept the good news.</p>
SAT 5	<p>Pray for continued safety for the <b>Watoto team during their second week</b> completing the build of the glass houses. Pray for Delwyn and Debbie leading craft with Watoto women and pray for safe travel for those returning or continuing their journeys elsewhere.</p> <p>Pray for <b>Neil Souter as he speaks at Saturday Church, Traditional Church and Morning Church this weekend</b>. Pray that he will prepare well and that God would speak through him to build up and encourage the Church.</p>
SUN 6	<p>Pray that <b>Marcus' leave (7<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>)</b> will be restful and God focused, giving thanks to God for all good things he provides. Pray that he returns energised and ready to serve.</p>

MON 7	Pray for the <b>students attending the HSC study hall over the next four days Tues – Fri</b> and ask that God would give them the ability to focus and retain information. Pray that those who are Christians would keep trusting Jesus, and that those who aren't Christians would be encouraged to consider the claims of Jesus this week.
TUE 8	Thank God for the team who lead our <b>children's ministries</b> each week. Pray especially for <b>Lyndal Foote as she leads this ministry</b> . Pray for the <b>whole staff team, as they meet today</b> to plan for the term ahead. Ask that God would help <b>Kerry to lead the meeting well</b> .  <b>MISSION – Dan and Liv Webster – Namibia</b> – Praise God for the general vibe amongst the students at Namibia Evangelical Theological Seminary NETS this semester. It seems that we all have a positive attitude, with a desire for unity and growth. Thank God for the friends our boys do have. Please pray for a special buddy for Sam. Pray with us for wisdom, humility and patience with cross cultural relationships; for a full time local principal for NETS and for unity and joy in the gospel at our church
WED 9	<b>TCP</b> – Praise God for the work of <b>Kim Williams in establishing the Food Bank</b> that supplies food and ingredients for The Community Pantry and other needs. Pray for <b>more volunteers to cook/prepare this food to bring to TCP</b> for the meals that are served.
THU 10	<b>WAR VETS</b> - Give thanks with us for the Thanksgiving and Harvest Festival Service last month which brought together our Catholic and Ecumenical Congregations in great fellowship and unity with our offering going to the Anglicare Shop at Dee Why. Pray our Men's Day Out to Ettalong by Ferry on 16 <sup>th</sup> October will be a great day to enjoy friendship and God's creation and most importantly that the Christians have opportunities to share their faith. Pray Stuart in the Homes for Heroes Program keeps moving forward in Christian faith.
FRI 11	Please pray for the <b>Jesus Club Art Exhibition Auction tomorrow night (Sat 12th)</b> . Give thanks for the team and members and <b>ask God to encourage them by bringing many people to view the art and raise money for the future works of Jesus Club</b> .
SAT 12	Give thanks for <b>Saturday Church</b> . Pray for the <b>recent move of Arvo Church joining Saturday Church</b> . Pray that people would get to know each other. Pray that all the kids would settle into kids' church. Pray that Saturday Church would continue to be a place where everyone is welcome and spurred on in their love and faith in Christ Jesus.
SUN 13	Thank God for the team of people who host and lead our people in the word each week in our many <b>Small Groups/Community Groups</b> at St Faith's. Ask God to help Kerry to give a good introduction to the Mark Studies <b>as the leaders meet this afternoon</b> and that it would be helpful for the leader's preparation for our term 4 series in Mark 9 -10.
MON 14	<b>ESL</b> – Pray for our teachers: <b>Kay, Jenny, Jeanette, Beth, Natalia, Jo, Marjorie, Sue and Meri</b> . As we return in October to a new term, we pray that the teachers would have had a good rest over the holidays, and that Our Heavenly Father will guide and direct them as they teach our students. May they be sensitive to their needs, and enthusiastic in their classes. Please pray for all the team to have renewed energy and passion, as we talk about the true meaning of Christmas, in the lead up to the end of the year. Pray for the student's hearts to be open to Jesus.
TUE 15	Thank God for our Sydney Anglican Diocese, and the way we can work in fellowship with other churches across Sydney, in serving Jesus. Pray for <b>Glenn Davies as he leads the Anglican Synod Meeting this week</b> and next, that God would give some wisdom in this. Ask

	God also to give wisdom to <b>Tim Tunbridge, Ross Jones and Kerry Nagel, as they represent us at Synod.</b> (Synod is the parliament meeting for the denomination- so pray for patience for our delegates too!)
<i>WED</i> 16	<b>WARRIEWOOD ANGLICAN CHURCH</b> - Thank God for the great start to the <b>Chaplaincy Events at Warriewood Brook with guest speaker Zimbabwean Cricketer Henry Olonga</b> sharing his faith. Thank God for the great turnout, for his engaging presentation, and a clear explanation of the gospel. Please pray for the <b>next event on Friday 18th October as retired clinical psychologist Cliff Powell speaks on 'ageing well'</b> . Pray that it's relevant, engaging, insightful and that the blessing of faith in Jesus and the impact He has on ageing well is clearly seen. Pray that His Spirit convicts hearts and people will come to trust Jesus for the first time or help deepen their faith in Him.
<i>THU</i> 17	Pray for <b>Year 12 students beginning the HSC today.</b> Ask that God would give them His peace and reassurance of their identity in Christ, as well as clear minds and ability to concentrate and recall information during their exams today and over the coming weeks. Pray that many <b>high schoolers would return to Soulies tomorrow night as Term 4 begins</b> and be encouraged to persevere in Jesus as they look at the book of James. Give thanks for the <b>youth leaders</b> and ask God to sustain them and give them energy over the term.
<i>FRI</i> 18	<b>GUMNUT KINDY</b> - Give thanks for enrolments for next year, please continue to pray for Mon/Fri spots to be filled. Give thanks for Bec's trip to Watoto, please pray for her safety and protection while she is away. Give thanks for the wonderful christian casuals we have stepping in while she is away. Please continue to pray for healing for Emma's hip, pray for patience and trust in God's perfect timing. Give thanks for the opportunity that the teachers have in serving the children at Kindy restaurant tonight Fri 18 October. Please pray for fun, fellowship and protection for all on the night.
<i>SAT</i> 19	Give thanks for the <b>Women at Saturday Church.</b> Pray for their <b>Coffee and Dessert night tonight.</b> Pray they will have great fellowship and get to know one another more.
<i>SUN</i> 20	<b>MISSION – FIONA KIRSOP – CREDO AT UTS</b> - Pray for preparations for NTE (National Training Event). Pray for good opportunities to encourage those who will be studying abroad in 2020 and for God to sustain their faith and use them for his mission. Pray for our incoming apprentices, that they would trust God to provide for their support needs and that he would raise up partners for them.
<i>MON</i> 21	Pray for <b>female bible study leaders</b> - to care for and love well those who they are leading and have time in God's word for preparation. Please pray for <b>Rosemary as she meets up with young adult women</b> who are interested in finding out more about paid vocational ministry.
<i>TUE</i> 22	Pray for the <b>Seniors Get Together tomorrow</b> where <b>Kerry will be speaking.</b> Pray his words to them on the eve of his retirement will be an encouragement for them. <b>MISSION – Chris and Karen Webb – Broome</b> – Pray Chris and Karen faithfully teach the Bible. Pray for the members of Broome Peoples Church to grow in their knowledge and trust in Jesus. Pray especially that newer christians at their church are not distracted from the true gospel.
<i>WED</i> 23	<b>TCP</b> - Praise God for the group of guests who meets before the meal to learn more about Jesus. Give thanks for Brad, Neil and others who lead this group each week.

THU 24	<b>QUILTING AND NEEDLWORK GROUP</b> – Give thanks for the women who attend on Thursdays, for the way they share skills and encourage each other with their individual projects and for the items they make for charity. Pray the weekly short talk by Judith and others leads members to believe in and follow Jesus.
FRI 25	Pray for <b>us all as followers of Jesus</b> to live for him in his world in a way that brings him honour and glory in the way we speak, think and act for Him. Pray for opportunities to share Jesus love in our families, workplaces, schools. Pray for our families - to love Jesus and share his love with our kids and those around us.
SAT 26	<b>THE COTTAGE COUNSELLING CENTRE</b> - Thank God for the wonderful ways in which He provides financially and pray this support will continue. Thank God for the Counsellors and the Board, for their commitment in providing a professional service to as many as possible. Pray for the counsellors that they will experience God's grace and refreshment. Pray for each of the clients, that they will be able to experience healing, love and hope.
SUN 27	<b>MISSION - STU ROBINSON - POWER TO CHANGE</b> – Give thanks that there has been a variety of performances this year for the gospel to be presented and with many people receiving Christ. Pray for the upcoming performances and potential new dates. Pray for God to prepare the hearts of those attending, to hear the gospel. Pray also that God would sustain Stu, giving him strength and that Stu will continue to follow God's path acknowledging God in all his ways.
MON 28	Pray for wisdom and a unified approach for our church <b>Nominators Jo Harpur, Julianne Castle, Ross Jones, Craig Glassock and Peter MacGregor</b> as they go through the process of choosing a new Senior Minister/Rector. Pray God leads them to the right person for this position.
TUE 29	<b>GUMTREES PLAYTIME</b> – Pray for this program for babies, toddlers and preschoolers and mums, dads or carers that meets at St Faith's every Wednesday during term time. Give thanks for the setting where families from the community can get to know those who are members of St Faith's; pray relationships grow that lead to opportunities to share about our faith. Give thanks for Nicci who coordinates Gumtrees playtime, and for the others who help with music, craft, pack up etc.
WED 30	<b>TCP</b> - Give thanks for the various teams of volunteers who prepare and serve meals at The Community Pantry. Pray all the guests see Jesus love through the service of the volunteers.
THU 31	<b>LIGHTHOUSE</b> - Pray that as we talk with the children about the prophecies about Jesus revealed in the Old Testament, they will grow to understand that Jesus was always God's plan. Pray the children keep coming along and build friendships amongst the others.
<b>Deadline for next Prayer Diary</b> prayer points: <b>Tuesday, 22nd October 2019</b> . Send in writing to the office or email to <a href="mailto:office@stfaiths.org.au">office@stfaiths.org.au</a> <i>Note: We may not be able to include everything.</i>	