

# GOT QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about God, Jesus Christ or faith related issues, or just new to our church, we'd like to welcome you. We are an Evangelical Anglican Church on the Central Coast. Our Sunday worship times are 7:30am for a traditional Anglican worship setting, or if you are more comfortable with something relaxed that is geared to engage all stages of family life with God's Word for daily living, come and join us at 9:30am.

**LAKES ANGLICAN WELCOMES YOU ALL**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Sun Nov 17** One Faith Band  
**Fri Dec 13** Trivia Night @6pm  
**Fri Dec 20** Christmas Closure  
**Tues Dec 24** Christmas Eve Family Service 6pm  
**Wed Dec 25** Christmas Day  
**2020**  
**Mon Jan 13** Opshop & Café reopen

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Anglican Parish of Gorokan



## GROUPS AND MEETINGS HELD AT LAKES ANGLICAN:

Gamblers Anonymous  
Mondays 6.00pm

Kanwal AI-Anon Family Support Group  
Saturdays 4.30pm

Quilters Group  
1st, 3rd Wednesday

PlayTime  
Thursdays 9:30am

Heartbeat Music and Movement (preschool age)  
Wednesdays 9.15-10.30am

Mothers Union - 2nd  
Wednesday of the month  
10am

Bible Study Groups - Please  
phone office for details

OneFaith Band  
Raising food for the  
homeless

Prayer List available on  
request

To contact a Parish Council  
Member or Clergy, please  
phone office for details

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Week 49:  
from November 3

## Zacchaeus

Most people are familiar with the story of Zacchaeus. This story, found only in the gospel of Luke, describes Zacchaeus as being a Jew, wealthy, short and a chief tax collector.

Zacchaeus worked for the Roman Empire who were seen as oppressors of the Jewish people, so Zacchaeus was also seen as an oppressor and a traitor.

The town's people would have disliked and avoided Zacchaeus and he would have avoided them, until it was time to pay their taxes.

When Jesus was passing through Jericho, Zacchaeus is keen to see him but because he is short and because he dare not enter the crowds, he runs on ahead and climbs a sycamore tree. Zacchaeus hides away in its dense foliage hoping to see Jesus but even with the noise and bustle of the crowd Jesus stops, looks up and sees Zacchaeus and says to him come on down, today I'm going to your house.

While the towns people grumble about Jesus meeting with the oppressive Zacchaeus, what they didn't know was that Zacchaeus had had a change of heart and declares to Jesus that he will give half of his possessions to the poor and pay back four times the amount if he has defrauded anyone.

Zacchaeus would have been the sort of person people could easily give up on but Jesus didn't write him off as others had and upon hearing of Zacchaeus' turn around Jesus declares that today salvation has come to him.

There may be people that we have given up on because we think they cannot change, we may have even given up on ourselves but God does not give up on anyone. We may hide and make ourselves small but God sees us and beckons us to turn our lives around and through faith in Christ be forgiven, to forgive others and ourselves and to come follow Jesus. **Rev Jody**



### Trivia Night

Join us for fun, laughter and trivia! Friday December 13th at 6pm in the church with supper served for a gold coin donation. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be up for grabs and also raffle tickets will be on sale with proceeds going towards the drought relief.

Tickets are \$6 per person or \$30 per group of up to 6 available from the office or on the night.

Anyone able to assist with sandwiches, slices etc would be much appreciated. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

### The Bulletin Board

- Drought relief donations are being accepted at the office.
- One Faith Band Acoustic Session—17th November
- Mothers Union 13th Nov - Missions to seaman—Meet at the church 9am. Please bring service books. Lunch to follow
- Christmas giving trees are located in the church foyer, Op shop and café going to the families affected by the drought.
- Christmas Eve service 24th December @ 6pm
- Christmas Day services 7:30am and 9:30am
- Friday 13th December—trivia Night @ 5pm. Light supper provided. Prizes to be won. Gold Coin donation for supper. Tickers \$6/person or \$30/team of 6

### Prayer of the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, give to us the increase of faith, hope and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us to love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## The Week Ahead

Sun 3 November — Revd Jody

7:30am Traditional Communion Service

9:30am Contemporary Family Service

6:00pm 628Crew

Mon 4 November

8:00am Morning Prayer

10:00am Canasta

10:00am Warnervale Gardens

1:00pm Bible Study with Helen

7:00pm Bible Study at the Voorinde's

Tues 5 November

8:00am Morning Prayer

Wed 6 November

8:00am Morning Prayer

10:00am Heartbeat

10:00am Bible Study with Harriet

10:30am Quilters

10:30am Casuarina Grove

Thurs 7 November

8:00am Morning Prayer

9:30am Playtime

10:00am Chat Group

2:00pm Lakelands Village Bible Study

Fri 8 November

8:00am Morning Prayer

9:30am Sowers Prayer Group

Sat 9 November

Sun 10 November—Rev Jody

7:30am Traditional Communion Service

9:30am Contemporary Family Service with baptisms

Income to Sunday 27th October 2019

Offertory giving: \$ 2308

Op Shop: \$ 670

Coffee Shop: \$ 525

Mission giving: \$ 32

Hall Hire: \$ 30

