



Our Vision:

“Dependent upon God, we seek to be inspired, equipped and enabled to walk the journey of faith in Jesus Christ, so that each of us...



...intentionally shares Jesus' message and love reaching out to all people in our local and global communities.”
Matthew 28:19-20

Welcome!

Neil Matheson 8am, **Ian Vickery** 8:30am, **Steve Holmes** 10am, 6pm
The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7)

...But to Fulfill Them

Seventh Ordinary Sunday (AAPB p230)

Bible Readings:

Micah 6:6-8	(NIV 923)
Romans 8:1-8 (8am only)	(NIV 1118)
Matthew 5:17-32	(NIV 959)

TODAY:
 > **KBECET Service for Nigel Dixon:** today at 2pm at Kiama Baptist Church
 > **Church Directory Update:** Please advise changes to Office by end of month; an addendum page will be published early in March.

COMING WEEK:
 > **Safe Ministry Training is on again this Tuesday evening from 7-9:30pm.** Please contact **Sue Brown** on **0447 322 454** if you would like to attend.
 > **CMA Q4 Connection Seminar: Wed 22 Feb from 8:30am,** Pennant Hills Golf Club . To equip and enthuse Christians for ministry in the fourth quarter of their lives.
 > **Blue Haven (Stage 5) Service: this Thursday, 23 Feb 11am**
 > **Mother's Union Seminar: Fractured Families - Understanding the Issues** 10am Fri 24 Feb Cathedral Chapter House, Sydney. Details & registration: www.musydneyn.org.au
 > **Help urgently needed** to prepare Rectory for Chris & Alysia - cleaning, gardening, maintenance. **Sat 25 Feb from 8:30am.** Mid-week assistance also welcome. Contact Ivan 0457 679 174
 > **Women's Breakfast:** 8:30am Sat 25 Feb at Amaki Cafe
 > **National Day of Prayer & Fasting:** Sat 25 Feb - register www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au
 > **Church Meeting next Sun 26 February 11:45am.** This short meeting will receive audited financial reports plus ministry reports for 2016.

COMING MONTH(S):
 > **Illawarra Mission Connection - CMS 'Taking Steel to Wollongong'** - 12:30pm Thu 2 Mar, St Mark's West Wollongong
 > **World Day of Prayer: Fri 3 Mar** 2pm at Uniting Church
 > **Care Café:** 'Back to the Future' with Graeme Begbie. **Tue 7 Mar** 2pm in the Church Point Centre.
 > **Prime Time: Wed 8 Mar** 11am in the Church Point Centre
 > **St Paul's Committee Meeting: Thu 9 Mar** at 9:15am

FINANCIAL UPDATE:	NEW BANKING DETAILS
Parish Operating Account	A/C Name: Anglican Church Kiama
Offertory Budget for 2017	BSB: 032 689 A/C Number: 211284
Budget for Jan 2017	
Actual for Jan 2017	
\$495,700	
\$44,100	
\$38,800	

MINISTRY TEAM JOIN US

SENIOR MINISTER Rev Steve Stanis 4232 2066 0429 928 001 steve@kiamaanglican.org.au (Rest Day Tuesday)	YOUTH MINISTRY Steve Inman 0429 147 938 steveinman@kiamaanglican.org.au (Rest Day Tuesday)	COMMUNICATIONS Rachel Aitken 4232 2066 rachel.aitken@kiamaanglican.org.au
ASSISTANT MINISTER Rev Christopher Anstiss 4232 2066 0403 678 602 christopher.anstiss@kiamaanglican.org.au (Rest Day Thursday)	CHILDREN & FAMILIES MINISTRY 4232 2066	OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR Michele Thornton 4232 2066 office@kiamaanglican.org.au Office Hours: 9am-2pm (Mon-Tue) 9am-3pm (Wed-Fri)

KBECET Commissioning Service today
at 2pm, Baptist Church

Coming weeks

26 Feb - Be Perfect
 05 Mar - And When You Pray...
 12 Mar - No one can Serve Two Masters
 19 Mar - Do Not Judge...

KAC website: <http://www.kiamaanglican.org.au>



Keith Green (I am showing my age) sang a song to Christians in the 70's challenging them about being 'asleep in the light' - being complacent in our faith whilst living in the world. Stirring words for a stirring time!

Scripture teaching is at this time being eroded around us and this erosion is tangible and visible. Are we asleep in the light in regard to this issue? Subtly and surely the opportunities to undermine it are occurring. Newspaper articles such as the Newcastle Herald are chipping away at the place of scripture in schools. It can be so easy for schools to make it more difficult using such methods as ethics becoming not only an option against scripture but rather the default. School bodies and boards, whilst accepting the laws allowing scripture in schools can create cultures that work against it.

Am I scaremongering, maybe paranoid?

School scripture is still the best and most consistent connection we have to teach the Bible in our community. Schools are the best place in the community to teach the Bible and salvation in Jesus to children aged 5-18 years. In Kiama hundreds of children are taught weekly. These are opportunities outside our Churches that we would never otherwise have!

I am convinced that we must not 'fall asleep in the light' on this one! The last decade has moved most Christian leaders from believing school scripture is a right to thinking how can we keep it our schools.

The answer is not ultimately won in some rear-guard action or trench-warfare. Jesus' teaching to his disciples in the Beatitudes in Matthew 5 should be the heart of this ministry in the face of difficult times. Jesus' teaching on being 'salt' and 'light' must be the action of Christian lives visible to the children, their parents, the school staff and community.

Bron Evans who coordinates the infants and primary scripture shared with me: "I recently travelled to Sydney by train and attended the SRE Conference at the Cathedral. Yes, it was hot. But I returned strengthened and encouraged after worshipping and learning with 500 other SRE teachers. 1200 teachers attended over 4 C o n f e r e n c e d a y s . The SRE in NSW is strong and mighty in God's strength."

What an encouragement that we stand with teachers across the schools of NSW teaching thousands and thousands of children about Jesus and the Bible. What a privilege that we must not let slip whilst 'asleep in the light'.

We are thankful to Bron and the team of teachers and helpers at Minnamurra (Tuesday) and Kiama (Wednesday) infants and primary schools. Chris Anstiss, Sarah Nette, Ken and Beth Faulkner, Steve Holmes, Niki Haig, Steve Inman, Jeanette Gibson, Robyn MacDonald, Lynette and Neil Matheson, Janet and Ivan King, Rhoda Pooley, Zach McCann, and Jacob Mierendorff. We also gives thanks for Nigel Dixon whom we support as combined Churches at Kiama High School.

Today we commission them at Kiama Baptist Church, at 2pm. If you cannot be there please pray for these teachers throughout 2017. Encourage them, and partner with them as we seek to bring the teaching of the Bible and the message of salvation as salt and light to the children and youth of our schools.

Steve

World, Nation, Local Community

Pray for the displaced people of the world seeking asylum and shelter. **Pray** especially for the 12,000 Syrian refugees settling in Australia, that as they are welcomed they might come to know Jesus.

Thank God for the Anglican Aid breakfast hosted by KAC and for Henry Longa who shared among us. **Pray** for a generous response as we consider what we can do to make a difference in a world where many do not have the clean water we take for granted.

KAC Ministry

Give thanks that the Children and Families Ministry has begun well. **Pray** as the term unfolds for the employment of a worker to nurture and grow this area of ministry. **Pray** for the 4:15 Church in the Arvo gatherings that this ministry may provide a place for families to encounter and know Jesus.

Give thanks for the willing helpers at 10am in the Children's Church. **Pray** for Jess, Jasmine, Laura, Joyce and Steve as they teach the children this term. **Pray** for the upcoming Care Café in early March. **Pray** for Graeme Begbie, a retired minister, who will share Jesus with the Senior's community there as part of Seniors Week.

Thu 2pm Minnamurra Prayer Group
Contact Janet King 0438 483 572

Fri 10am Ladies Prayer Group
Contact Margaret Beazley 4232 2618

Prayer Chain requests contact
Jo Bailey phone 0424 466 935, email
praying@kiamaanglican.org.au

Mission and Partners

Pray for Philip and Elke Knight in Port Hedland at this time of constant heat. **Pray** for godly wisdom for Philip as he plans the year. Pray that Lily (Year 6) and Annabella (Year 10) will make enduring friendships as the school year unfolds.

Pray for the new Bible Studies planned for the Berkeley Life Centre and for the arrival of the Taylors to pastor alongside Wayne. **Pray** about the steep rental rise for the church property and a God-led solution as to how to best minister across Berkeley.

Pray for Nigel Dixon (Kiama High School) and all the scripture teachers and helpers (Kiama and Minnamurra Primary Schools). **Pray** that they may be salt and light to the children they teach and to the wider school body.

Pray we may grow in partnership and ways of encouragement, and take opportunities to support them during 2017.

People to Pray for...

Comfort and Healing:

Grahame Scarratt (home), Barbara Baird (Respite Warrigal Care), Maureen Cleary

Still Needing Prayer:

Gary Bennett, Faye Browne, Warren Divers, Elisabeth Vickery

Grieving families:

Gwen, Paul & Sharon and families in the loss of Bill Unicomb.

This Coming Week - 24 Feb 2017

ROCK Battleships

Pulse Water Balloon Volleyball

Friday Night K - Year 12 times;

K-2 CLIKK 4:30-6pm

3-6 ROCK 4:30-6pm

7-12 PULSE 6:15-8:15pm