

13th – 19th December Third Sunday of Advent

Study

The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.
John 1.9

Action

- Help with the church's preparations for Christmas services
- Attend community events
- Encourage a family to attend a Christmas service
- Can you help with local school end of year activities

Pray For

- Remembering John of the Cross, mystic and teacher d.1591 (14th)
Pray for all teachers and students that they may have safe and restful holidays
- Peace among family members
- Peace in Jerusalem
- A spread of the understanding of the true meaning of Christmas

20th December Fourth Sunday of Advent

Study

Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word."
Luke 1.38a

Action

- Be a peacemaker in your family
- Give extra financial support to an Anglican charity
- Can you help with the Samaritans Christmas luncheons

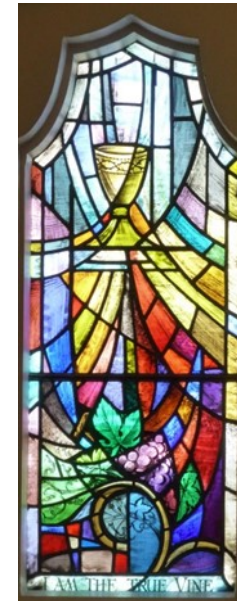
Pray For

- Give thanks for the example of Mary
- Safety on the roads as the school holidays begin
- Happy family reunions
- Peace in our hearts

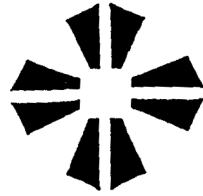
**Christ is counting
on you**



**Newcastle
Anglican
Cursillo**



**Apostolic
Action Diary
2020**



Christ has no body now on earth
 but yours,
 no hands
 but yours,
 no feet
 but yours;
 yours are the eyes
 with which he is to look
 with compassion on the world:
 yours are the feet
 with which he is
 to go about doing good;
 and yours the hands
 with which he is to bless us now.
Saint Teresa of Avila

The 'action' suggestions in the diary are to encourage
 and inspire you to plan your Christian Action. Don't
 forget to check with your Priest before undertaking any
 parish based activities

**Make a friend
 Be a friend
 Bring that friend to Jesus**

- Offer support to a disability carer

Pray For

- Remembering Frances Perry, founder of the Royal women's Hospital in Melbourne d.1892 (2nd) pray for our medical practitioners especially those working in disability services
- The church's preparation for Christmas
- That the disability Royal Commission may produce positive results for the disabled
- Carers of the disabled
- Diocesan Secretariat 1st

6th – 12th December Second Sunday of Advent

Study

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Mark 1.1

Action

- Have a visible Christmas crib in your house
- Give a child a book of the Christmas story
- Invite children/grandchildren/neighbours to a special Children's service

Pray For

- Remembering the conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (8th) pray for all pregnant mothers, midwives and medical support staff.
- Couples who are finding it difficult to have a family
- Orphans
- Considered financial decisions at this time of year

15th – 21st November **Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

Study

For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 1 Thessalonians 5.2

Action

- Universal children's Day (20th) prepare special celebrations for children in your parish
- Give your children/ grandchildren, children of friends an extra special surprise on 20th
- Support the United Nations children's programs

Pray For

- Remembering Elizabeth of Hungary, princess and philanthropist d.1231 (19th), pray for all who give generously to God's work
- Continued diligence in our prayer life
- Children in refugee camps

22nd – 28th November **Christ The King**

Study

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me. Matthew 25.35-36

Action

- Contribute to Samaritans Christmas Pantry
- Plan to attend community Christmas events and invite friends to attend with you
- Can you assist with parish Christmas preparations

Pray For

- Remembering James Noble, pioneer Aboriginal Deacon d.1941 (25th) pray for ministry to our indigenous people
- Indigenous Christians
- Those who will find Christmas financially difficult

29th November – 5th December **First Sunday in Advent**

Study

Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

Mark 13.26-27

Action

- International Day of Persons with Disabilities (4th) - check all your facilities are disability friendly
- Check for people within the parish who may need assistance to attend church

5th – 13th January **Second Sunday After Christmas**

Study

When they saw that the star had stopped they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage.

Matthew 2.10,11a

Action

- Consider how you can best grow your Christian ministry this year
- Can you add your name to a roster particularly if your church has been amalgamated
- Contact elderly people who may have been alone over Christmas
- Is there some way to support a family in crisis

Pray For

- Secretariat meeting on the 7th
- New mothers and their babies

12th – 18th January **Baptism of our Lord**

Study

And when Jesus had been Baptised, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.

Matthew 3.16

Action

- Can you reassess your Baptismal vows and plan to incorporate new actions in your life
- Plan some parish action to contact families who have had children baptised during the year
- Make contact with any Godchildren

Pray For

- Those who work through the holidays for our safety
- Those considering baptism this year
- New vision for amalgamated parishes

19th – 25th January **Second Sunday after Epiphany**

Study

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!'

John 1.29

Action

- Can you make a contribution to the *Encourager*—Deadline 4th February
- Assess how can your parish best support your communities needs

Pray For

- Our Bishops as they vision for the new year
- Remembering the Conversion of Paul the Apostle (25th), pray for all New Christians

26th –January – 1st February Third Sunday after Epiphany

Study

And he said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people".

Matthew 4.18

Action

- Write a letter of encouragement to your parish leaders
- Is there a way to support Christian education in your local school?
- Offer assistance to a family to help children settle into school

Pray For

- School teachers as they prepare for the new year
- As we remember John Chrysostom, bishop of Constantinople, teacher d.407 (27th) pray for all those involved in education

2nd –8th February Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Study

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God".

Matthew 5.9

Action

- Is there some way to assist someone you know with cancer or their carer
- Support a Cancer research organisation

Pray For

- Remembering the first Anglican Service at Sydney Cove (3rd) pray for the indigenous clergy and their work
- Peace keeping forces throughout the world
- World Cancer Day (4th) pray for victims of cancer, medical staff and researchers
- Secretariat meeting (4th)

9th –15th February Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Study

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid."

Matthew 5.14

Action

- Plan a special Lenten Bible study
- Can you support a refugee program
- Research the number of homeless in your area and how they can be supported.
- Lobby your local politicians on refugee and homelessness issues

Pray For

- Remembering Cyril d. 869 and Methodius, bishop d.885 (14th) missionaries to the Slavs pray that Australia may be a light of hope in the world to the dispossessed
- Refugees and the homeless
- Support services for the dispossessed
- Emergency services workers and volunteers

16th –22nd February Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

- Calmness for students preparing for exams
- Remembering The united Nations inaugurated in 1945 pray for the ongoing work throughout the world especially its humanitarian work

25th –31st October - Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Study

'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'

Matthew 22.37b

Action

- Can you contribute to the *Encourager* deadline 1st
- Contribute to the Samaritans Christmas appeal

Pray For

- The Samaritan's Christmas appeal
- Those in Palliative care at this time
- Families suffering grief
- That our faith may grow

1st –7th November All Saints

Study

Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God"

Matthew 5.9

Action

- Attend Diocesan Ultreya at Christ Church Cathedral 7th
- Contact someone who has lost a loved one in the last year
- Invite someone to an end of year church function?
- Smile at everyone you meet in the street

Pray For

- Remembering All Saints Day (1st), pray for all Christians throughout the world that they may model their lives on Christ's
- Remembering All Souls Day (2nd), pray for those you know who have died in the last year
- On the 4th we are asked especially to pray for Roman Catholics

8th- 14th November Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Matthew 25.13

Action

- International Day of Tolerance (16th) meet with someone from a different ethnic background or invite them for a meal
- Discuss with members of your family 'racial discrimination'

Pray For

- On the 8th we are asked to pray for our Defense Forces
- An acceptance of racial differences in our multicultural society
- Families facing financial difficulties
- The continued work of the Samaritans
- Generosity of heart and resources

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Philippians 3.10-11

Action

- Can you lobby your local politicians on environmental issues
- How can you reduce your environmental footprint?
- Can you improve your recycling?
- Can you support a community garden or grow some of your own vegetables

Pray For

- Remembering St Francis, friar and preacher (4th), pray for all Franciscan orders especially for the Franciscans at Stroud and the Third Order Franciscans in our diocese
- The right use of the earth's resources
- Prayers and thanksgiving for the whole created order

11th – 17th October Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Let your gentleness be known to everyone.

Philippians 4.5a

Action

- Is there some way to support the Kairos ministries?
- Offer support to your parish in their outreach to young people
- Can you support MU's work in the Children's Courts

Pray For

- Remembering Elizabeth Fry prison reformer d.1845 (12th), pray for the 'Kairos', 'Kairos Outside' and 'Torch' and the Juvenile Justice Chaplain
- Those in prison and those who minister to them
- Judges and those who work in the Courts
- Diocesan Secretariat Meeting 6th

18th – 24th October Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction.

1 Thessalonians 1.4-5a

Action

- Can you offer support to anyone who needs help during exam time?
- Send a message of support to a person facing exams
- Can you support your local school
- Can you plan to give a Bible to someone as a gift

Pray For

- Our education system and our Anglican Schools
- Remembering Henry Martyn, missionary and Bible translator in Persia and India d.1812 (19th) pray for all who translate the Bible into local languages

Study

Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No' anything more than this comes from the evil one. Matthew 5.32

Action

- Investigate the social issues in your area and assess how your parish can respond
- World Day of Social Justice (20th) is there an issue you can write to a member of Parliament about?

Pray For

- Remembering William Grant Broughton first Bishop of Australia d.1853 (20th), pray for the vision for our diocese
- Remembering the Holy Innocents (17th), pray for all children who are the innocent victims of war and violence
- The socially disadvantaged

23rd – 29th February Transfiguration/ Last Sunday after Epiphany

Study

But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. Matthew 5.44

Action

- Can you contribute to the *Encourager*—deadline 1st March
- 26th is Ash Wednesday—attend a service of imposition of ashes
- Support Shrove Tuesday event if you have one

Pray For

- A positive response to the Lenten Appeal for missions
- For those you find hard to love
- Remembering Matthias, Apostle and Martyr (24th) pray for Christians persecuted for their faith

1st – 7th March First Sunday in Lent

Study

But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Matthew 4.4

Action

- Attend a Bible study
- If you haven't already make a record of your spiritual journey to see where God has led you.
- Share this spiritual journey with friends

Pray For

- Theologians and preachers those who interpret the Bible
- Secretariat Meeting on 3rd
- Our local clergy and their families as they spread God's word

8th – 14th March Second Sunday in Lent

Study

Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit." John 3.5-6

Action

- International Women's Day (8th) , encourage the female ministries in your congregation
- Give a book about the true meaning of Easter to a young person

Pray For

- Those working with youth in our diocese— that our young people may hear and respond to God's call
- Remembering sister Emma SSA, superior of the Society of the Sacred Advent d.1939 (9th) pray for all those who devote their lives to prayer
- Good relations with those of other faiths

15th – 21st March Third Sunday in Lent

Study

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ . Romans 5.1

Action

- Can you help with preparations for Mothering Sunday
- Remembering St Patrick (17th), wear something green or attend a St Patrick's day event
- Can you be involved in water conservation activities

Pray For

- World Water Day (22nd) pray for those suffering from the drought and for countries where water security is a major issue
- Our mission agencies working on water projects

22nd – 28th March Fourth Sunday in Lent

Study

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light. Ephesians 5.8

Action

- Attend Lady Day service at the Cathedral Monday 25th
- Attend Mothering Sunday service
- Research slavery in Australia. Can you support anti slavery groups?

Pray For

- The work of Mothers Union throughout the world
- Remembering Paul Couturier, ecumenist (24th) pray for Christian unity
- 25th is the international day of remembrance of the victim of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade. Pray for the victims of slavery and those who continue to work to eliminate modern day slavery

29th March – 4th April Fifth Sunday in Lent

Study

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who

13th – 19th September Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.

Matthew 18.35

Action

- Can you support an isolated church in northern Australia
- Is there someone you need to make peace with
- How can you contribute to parish harmony

Pray For

- Remembering John Wollaston, priest and missionary of WA 918th) pray for unity in our National Church
- The ability to forgive

20th – 26th September Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Philippians 1.27a

Action

- International Day of Peace (21st) - plan special prayers or a special service for peace
- How can you contribute to harmony in my local community
- Can you be more involved in local community activities
- Offer to assist the Samaritans representative in your parish

Pray For

- Peace in our world, our community, our church and peace in our hearts
- Wise decision on world peace matters from world politicians
- Samaritans volunteers who work with the disabled

27 September – 3rd October Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Philippians 2.3

Action

- Send a message of support to your parish leaders
- Offer to assist them
- Support the mission agencies of the church

Pray For

- Remembering Michael and All Angels (29th) pray for all who have died working for the extension of the Kingdom
- The healing ministry of the church
- All those who risk their lives in their ministry

4th – 10th October Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Study

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12.2

Action

- Attend Mananita or Clausura for M49 30th Catalina Rathmines
- Attend an extra Eucharist this week
- Can you support victims of natural disasters

Pray For

- M49 27th -30th Catalina Rathmines
- Remembering the beheading of John the Baptist (29th) pray for persecuted Christians
- The social justice work of the Samaritans
- Peace and unity among Christians

30th August – 5th September Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. Luke 14.11

Action

- Attend a New Guinea Martyrs service
- Support the work of ABM as they work with the church in PNG
- Can you help any victims of domestic violence?

Pray For

- Remembering 'Martyrs of New Guinea' d.1942 (2nd) pray for all who have given their lives in the cause of the Gospel
- Children who live in difficult circumstances
- Remembering Eliza Darling, pioneer and social reformer in NSW d.1868 (3rd), pray for victims of domestic violence
- Diocesan Secretariat Meeting (1st)

6th – 12th September Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

For when two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them. Matthew 18.20

Action

- Attend WM49 Welcome Day—Raymond Terrace
- World Suicide Prevention Day (10th) - research the signs of mental disorder and be prepared to ask 'Are you OK?' to family members and close friends
- Lobby local politicians to increase support for suicide prevention

Pray For

- Remembering Mother Esther CHN founder of the Community of the Holy Name in Melbourne (11th) person of prayer pray for all who find prayer difficult
- The Franciscan Brothers at Stroud
- Families who have suffered the effects of suicide

believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." John 11.25-26a

Action

- Can you help with preparations for Palm Sunday
- Can you support a GAPS group

Pray For

- Those suffering from family breakdown
- Grandparents and their role in family life
- Diocesan Secretariat meeting (7th)
- Hospital emergency departments

5th – 11th April Passion/Palm Sunday

Study

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus. Philippians 2.5

Action

- Attend a Blessing of the Oils service
- Attend Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services
- Explain to a young person/Friend the meaning of Good Friday and Easter
- Can you help a neighbour who is going on holidays

Pray For

- A safe and Holy Easter
- Christians in Jerusalem and the Middle East
- Renewed spiritual insights during this Holy Week

12th April Easter Day

Study

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3.1

Action

- Make worship a priority
- Can you join some climate change action
- Review your use of resources
- Seek the views of your local federal politician on matters of renewable resources

Pray For

- Wise decisions from our politicians
- A positive world wide response to climate change action
- Peace in our hearts and in our world
- Conservation organisations

19th- 25th April Second Sunday of Easter

Study

Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." John 20.20b-21

Action

- Support Samaritans' Winter Appeal
- Men plan to attend EDIFY Anglican Men's weekend at New Lambton 15th-16th May
- Light a candle for all in the peacekeeping forces
- Attend an ANZAC day event

Pray For

- Remembering St Mark (25th), pray for relations between the Jewish and Christian communities
- Samaritans volunteers
- The pastoral ministries of the church
- ANZAC Day (25th) pray for all those who have fought or died in wars

26th April – 2nd May Third Sunday of Easter

Study

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known in the breaking of the bread. Luke 24.35

Action

- Is there a way of supporting our farmers facing natural disasters
- Can you continue writing your spiritual journal
- Is there someone you can invite to the EDIFY Anglican Men's Weekend

Pray For

- Remembering Catherine of Sienna, spiritual teacher d.1380 (29th) pray for all theological colleges
- Communities dealing with natural disasters
- World Day for safety and health at work (28th) pray for OH&S workers as they ensure safe work places

3rd – 9th May Fourth Sunday of Easter

Study

I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. John 10.9

Action

- Review your support for the mission agencies of the church
- Can you visit someone who is unable to attend church regularly
- Attend commissioning of WM49 9th at New Lambton

Pray For

- Remembering Julian of Norwich holy woman and mystic d.1417 (8th) pray for a renewed relationship with God
- The teams of WM49
- Those who practice their faith in difficult circumstances
- Diocesan Secretariat Meeting (5th)

support our theological students

Pray For

- Remembering Stephen, Deacon and Martyr (3rd) pray for all preparing for ordination
- All Cursillo groups in Australia and their vision for the future
- Diocesan Secretariat Meeting (4th)

9th – 15th August Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

Romans 10.12

Action

- Prepare palanca for M49
- Visit someone who has recently lost a loved one
- Write a letter to visit someone living in a nursing home or aged care facility or is a shut in at home
- Attend Mananita or Clausura for W49 (16th) Rathmines

Pray For

- W49 13th—16th Catalina Rathmines
- Remembering Mary Sumner founder of Mother's Union d.1921 (9th) pray for the work of Mother's Union members in our diocese
- Remembering The 20th Century Martyrs including Maximilian Kolbe friar d.1940, Maria Skobtsova, Abbess in Russia d.1945, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian d.1945 Martin Luther King Jr, worker for civil liberties d.1968, Janani Luwam, Archbishop of Uganda d.1977 and Oscar Romera, Archbishop of San Salvador d.1980(14th), pray for all who this week will face persecution for their faith.
- Those who are facing difficult times in their faith journey

16th – 22nd August Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Study

If the part of the dough offered as first fruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; and if the root is holy, then the branches are also holy. Romans 11.16

Action

- Can you offer support to someone suffering stress or mental illness
- Can you loan a book you find spirituality inspiring to someone
- Can you borrow one from someone else

Pray For

- Remembering Bernard of Clairvaux, abbot and teacher d.1153 (20th) pray for ourselves that we may be open to new learning's
- That we may have open ears and hearts to receive the messages God sends us through the writings of others
- All suffering from stress and mental illness

23rd – 29th August Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

- Research areas BCA works in

Pray For

- Remembering Sydney James Kirkby' Bishop and pioneer of outback ministry and the Bush Church Aid Society d.1935 (13th), pray for all isolated Christians and those who minister to them
- The BCA grey nomads
- Sea Sunday 12th pray for all seafarers and their families

19th – 25th July Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.
Matthew 13.43a

Action

- Can I contribute to Mothers Union support of the NICU unit at John Hunter Hospital?
- Can I contribute to Mothers Union 'baby bundles' distributed by social workers at local hospitals

Pray For

- Remembering Mary Magdalene (22nd) pray for all new disciples of Christ
- Midwives and all who work with newborns
- Those who work to reunite families
- All adopted children and their parents
- The families of the stolen generations

26th July – 1st August Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.
Matthew 13.44

Action

- Is there someone I can invite to W49
- International Day of Friendship (30th) - organize a gathering of friends
- Can I support a nursing home activity
- Prepare palanca for W49

Pray For

- Remembering William Wilberforce, social reformer d.1833 (30th), pray for all governments that they may work for social justice
- Friends
- Those living in nursing homes

2nd – 8th August Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

I call upon you O God, for you will surely answer:
incline your ear to me, and hear my words.

Psalm 17.6

Action

- Are there men you can invite to M49?
- Research those to be ordained this year, is there some way to

10th – 16th May Fifth Sunday of Easter

Study

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.” John 14.1

Action

- International Day of Families (15th) - plan a family event
- Invite a family who doesn't have a family support network nearby
- Men attend EDIFY Anglican Men's weekend 15th-16th May

Pray For

- The EDIFY weekend
- Unity in the wider church family
- Samaritans as they support families facing financial difficulties

17th – 23rd May Sixth Sunday of Easter

Study

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.” John 14.1

Action

- Can you help with preparations for the 30 years of Cursillo weekend
- Send a message of encouragement to our bishops
- Give encouragement to your local group leaders—can you help in any way?

Pray For

- Sunday School / Kid's Club /Messy Church/ Mainly Music and SRE Teachers
- Remembering Dunstan archbishop of Canterbury d.988 (19th) pray our Bishops as they lead our diocese
- The team preparing for the 30th anniversary celebrations

24th - 29th May Seventh Sunday of Easter

Study

Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I come from you; and they have believed that you sent me. John 17.7-8

Action

- Make contact with friends of a different denomination
- Can you support ABM projects supporting our Indigenous peoples

Pray For

- Week of prayer for Christian Unity 24th—30th check on the Australian Council of Churches website for daily prayers
- Week of prayer for reconciliation (27th May—3rd June) - pray for our indigenous brothers and sisters
- The teams of WM49

31st May – 6th June Day of Pentecost

Study

“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them,

and I will name it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them." John 17.25,26

Action

- Wear red on Pentecost Sunday and explain to someone why you are wearing red
- Attend Cursillo 30th Birthday celebrations
- Is there someone you can invite to come with you

Pray For

- National Secretariat Meeting 5th-7th
- 30th Birthday celebrations 6th
- Remembering the Martyrs of Uganda, d.1886 (3rd), pray for work of the church in Africa
- Diocesan Secretariat Meeting (2nd)
- Ember Week—pray for the ordained ministry of the church

7th – 13th June Trinity Sunday

Study

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. 2 Corinthians 13.13

Action

- 11th—Thanksgiving for Holy Communion, try to attend a service
- World Blood Donor Day (14th) think about donating blood if you are able
Or give financial support to the blood bank

Pray For

- Doctors, Nurses and all hospital staff
- Those undergoing medical procedures
- The teams of WM49

14th – 20th June Second Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Matthew 9.38

Action

- World Refugee Day (20th) - Lobby local politicians for fair treatment of refugees.
- Write to someone you know who needs support at the moment

Pray For

- Those living in refugee camps throughout the world
- A fair national response to the refugee situation
- Refugee organizations in Australia
- Peaceful integration of refugees into society

21st – 27th June Third Sunday after Pentecost

Study

Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. Matthew 10.39

Action

- Talk to a new parent about Baptism and the meaning of Baptism

- Support the Baptism support program of your parish
- Can the parish make contact with those baptised in the last year

Pray for

- Remembering the Birth of John the Baptist (24th), pray for all new babies and their parents
- The newly Baptised
- Those who are suffering the loss of a child and those unable to have children
- The teams of WM49

28th June – 4th July Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

And whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward. Matthew 10.42

Action

- Can you support Aboriginal clergy training programs
- Contact your local politician on indigenous affairs issues
- Can you contribute to the *Encourager* deadline 1st July

Pray For

- Remembering the Coming of the Light, the first missionaries to the Torres Strait 1871 (1st) pray for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Christians
- Remembering St Thomas, apostle and martyr (3rd), pray for all those who are questioning their faith

5th – 11 July Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

"Come to me, all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11.28

Action

- NAIDOC Week (5th—12th)—is there an activity you can be involved in - or attend Cathedral service
- Research the Uluru Statement from the Heart and current initiatives for recognition of indigenous peoples
- Are there women you can ask to attend W49?

Pray For

- Diocesan Secretariat meeting (7th)
- The teams of WM49
- The reconciliation process with our indigenous brothers and sisters

12th – 18th July Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Study

But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields. Matthew 13.23a

Action

- Is there a way to support our Mission to Seafarers
- Support BCA