



NEWSLETTER

18 February 2021

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NRCC News and Notices

▪ **COVID-19 rules:** Face masks are no longer mandatory but you are still encouraged to wear masks for your own safety. Our church can have more than 100 with the 2 square metre rule so it is great. Group singing is still not allowed except the singers at the front.

▪ **Lent Activities we shared last Sunday:** this year we don't have particular church wide Lent activities but feel free to try the following on your own.

WHAT COULD YOU GIVE UP FOR LENT?

1. Complaining
2. Negative self talk
3. Sarcasm
4. Dominating the conversation
5. Excuses
6. Going through the motions
7. Worry
8. Over-commitment
9. Impatience
10. The quick fix
11. Complacency
12. People pleasing
13. Cynicism
14. Procrastination
15. Snarky comments
16. Busyness
17. Defensiveness
18. Stereotyping
19. Nagging
20. Narrow mindedness
21. Hitting the snooze button
22. Netflix
23. Weighing yourself
24. Online shopping
25. Coffee
26. Speeding
27. Alcohol
28. Make up
29. Snacks
30. Arriving late
31. Disposable plastic
32. Social media
33. Mindless eating
34. Clutter
35. Selfies
36. Hot showers
37. Chocolate
38. Wasting food
39. Buying stuff you don't need
40. Checking your phone

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(Ecc. 4:12) Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. **A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.**

Lent Prayer Triplet

- A Prayer Triplet is a group of three, committed to praying together regularly. (Once a week during Lent)

1. Pray for others
2. Spiritual renewal for yourselves and NRCC
3. The work of God in the community we serve



▪ Sunday messages will continue to be uploaded on [our church website](#) as well as our [YouTube channel](#) for those who are not able to attend.

▪ NRCC email addresses

minister@northrocks.org.au (Steve)
youth@northrocks.org.au (Cathy)
treasurer@northrocks.org.au (Anne)
finance@northrocks.org.au (Dennis)
enquiry@northrocks.org.au (Nicole, Cathy, Steve)

We no longer use either office@northrocks.org.au or the.office@northrocks.org.au

▪ **Current office days** in most weeks are: Tuesday (Steve, Dennis), Thursday (Steve, Cathy), Friday (Dennis or Steve). Since office hours may change during the week, if you want to speak to Steve please contact him directly (minister@northrocks.org.au, 0433 698 690)

Dates for your Diary

▪ Saturday 13th March Devonshire tea at Ebenezer Church

Come and join us at Ebenezer Uniting Church at 10.30 **Saturday 13 March**. Refreshments will be served in the church hall but the grounds are beautiful. After eating perhaps join friends under a shady tree or stroll around the grounds. You are welcome to bring a picnic lunch if you wish to stay on. The venue is open till 3.00pm.

Cost: \$8.00 per person which all goes to Ebenezer Uniting Church. Please place money in an envelope with your name and bring to church or deliver to the office.

Places will be taken in order of RSVP. Please consider car pooling and offering to drive someone without transport.

Venue: Ebenezer Uniting Church - 95 Coromandel Rd, Ebenezer

RSVP: enquiry@northrocks.org.au

Community News and Notices

▪ Seeing as John Sees: An Introduction to the Gospel of John

Sat 13 March

9 for a 9.30 start until 3.30

\$10 (includes morning tea and printed notes)

BYO lunch

Blacktown Uniting Church, 59 Bungaribee Rd, Blacktown

PLEASE REGISTER WITH BLACKTOWN UC BY 9 MARCH – BOOKINGS ARE NECESSARY DUE TO COVID LIMITS ON NUMBERS. DETAILS IN THE BROCHURE.

Email: bucoffice@gmail.com / Phone: 9831 4121

Reflection of the Week

The Bible tells us that every person who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved (see Acts 2:21). Why? Because God loves us and desires a personal relationship with us. When you accept Christ as your Saviour, you become a new person because of the righteousness of Christ imparted to you: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" (2 Corinthians 5:17). Through the Holy Spirit working in you, you are empowered to obey God's Word. You can trust Him. He knows your future and the plans He has for you.

While you may be dismayed over the sin raging around you, don't despair. God is in control. "For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil" (1 Peter 3:12). Rest in the Lord's love and power—and trust that He can redeem anyone from the deepest of pits.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for calling me out of my sin and making me Yours. Help me to empty myself so that I can be filled with Your Spirit and grow in Christlikeness. Grant me discipline to pray, worshiping and fellowshiping with You, and to intercede for the lost with compassion. I pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

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Prayer Chain

Our church has a “chain” of people committed & ready to pray & bound to confidentiality. Please contact Felicity, Dawn or Church office.

Ministry Leaders

Minister: Rev. Steve Lee / minister@northrocks.org.au / 0433 698 690

Youth Coordinator: Catherine Nelson / youth@northrocks.org.au / 0411 055 403

Church Council:

Chairperson: Craig Marshall Secretary: Jenny Keyte Treasurer: Anne Crabb

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