

Clearing the Way for Jesus

The newsletter of the Illawarra Prayer Network links Christians and churches from Helensburgh to Gerroa, promotes prayer and facilitates church unity. A printer-friendly 2 x A4 PDF file of this newsletter is available at www.5icm.org.au/index_files/ipn.html. Please send prayer requests and feedback to prayer@5icm.org.au.
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Prayer

- 1. Anita Jimenez** of **St Francis of Assisi Catholic School, Warrawong** suggested the following prayer point (the first term of the school year ends this Friday).
"Please pray for a peaceful end of term for all teachers and students."
- 2. Jessica Kinna**, a Learning Advisor at **Corpus Christi Catholic High school**, Oak Flats asks for us to pray for her school community.
"Dear Lord,
We ask that you continue to inspire our community to look for ways in which we can transform our world and do your works with a love and appreciation of all. Inspire us to be servant leaders, striving to be the face of Jesus to all we meet.
We ask this through Christ's name.
Amen"
- 3.** Pray for **Generocity Church Kiama** which launched last Sunday. Now the hard work begins!
- 4. Ps May Housler's** home church is moving meetings to Dapto Ribbonwood Centre at 4pm on Sundays starting 22nd April. The church is called "**Salvation Church**" and has already seen one salvation and four baptisms. May believes God called her to start the Pentecostal church, which will have a focus on the healing ministry, and has asked the network for prayer support.

News & Feedback

- 1.** There is a report on last summer's **Scripture Union Family Missions** in the autumn edition of SU News which can be downloaded from the [SU website](#).
- 2. Emeritus Bishop Peter Ingham** is enjoying a holiday in Vietnam which was a farewell gift from the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong.
- 3. Gary Hetherington** of **Revival Ministries** was recently interviewed on the topic of the Holy Spirit. You can watch the video on the [5icm website](#).
- 4.** Don't forget to let me know about any events in the Illawarra that are open to all Christians to attend so I can advertise them in the newsletter.

God bless,
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Illawarra Prayer Network

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Ecumenical Activities in the Illawarra

Wollongong Gospel Choir Rehearsals – Tuesdays during school terms – all welcome.

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm at Wollongong Senior Citizens Centre, 192 Gipps Road, Gwynneville

Contact: [John Sandercock](#) 0499 444 151

VMTC Training School - Thursday 19th to Sunday 22nd April

Venue: Chittick Lodge, Gerringong

[Book online.](#)

Hymnsing at Kiama - Sunday 22nd April

All welcome for Hymn and chorus singing. [Further details](#)

Details: 2:00 p.m. Kiama Uniting Church Fellowship Centre, 19 Bong Bong Rd, cnr Manning St Kiama. Sing for one hour then have afternoon tea.

Requests: Phone Gail on 4232 1630 or Reuben on 4233 2490

ANZAC Day Wednesday 25th April - Public Holiday

Healing Service and Mass - Friday 4th May

All welcome. Mass will be celebrated for Catholics by Fr George Condookala. Prayer for healing by Fr George and Derek Thompson of the Illawarra Prayer Network afterwards.

Details: 10:30 a.m. Level 3, to the right of lifts, Wollongong Private Hospital.

Thursday 10th May - Ascension Day

Sunday 13th May - Mother's Day

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - Sunday 13th to Saturday 19th May

[Download prayers](#) from the World Council of Churches website.

Pentecost Sunday 20th May

Taizé Prayer Gathering - Sunday 20th May

Ecumenical Taizé style prayer and worship open to all. [Download flyer.](#)

Details: 6:00 p.m. St Paul's Catholic Church, 251 Tongarra Rd, Albion Park.

Whit Monday 21st May

Saturday 26th May - National Sorry Day

[National Day of Thanks](#)

For the **Community Focus** this year we are Thanking:

People who contribute in a positive way to the vibrant cultural tapestry of Australia.

People in organisations that work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. People who help newcomers to Australia connect into their local communities. People from different cultural backgrounds who make a meaningful contribution to cohesion in their communities.

People who work in **Schools** across our Nation.

Public and Private schools including High Schools, Primary Schools, Kindergartens, Pre-Schools and Day Care Centres. Principals, Teachers, Teachers Aids, Chaplains, Administration Staff, Volunteers, Cleaners and Maintenance staff, etc.

The **Personal Focus** is ongoing and is about the Unsung Heroes in your life and community.

Trinity Sunday 27th May

Thursday 31st May - Corpus Christi

Monday 11th June - Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

See the [Sicm Events page](#) for more events and regular events list.