

WEEKLY NEWS

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WHO KNOWS ME BEST?

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There are several great assumptions in our modern society. One is that you 'really' know yourself. This is what is behind so much dissatisfaction, grumbling and complaining in our society that you and I know what we want.

match.com at the time one of the leading dating websites hired a new Chief of Algorithms because they had a significant problem. They wanted to figure out why after getting people to fill out extensive surveys and forms on themselves and their ideal matches, things like education, height, weight, religion, values, hair colour etc. And yet despite all of this people rarely made it out past the first date. Why? Why, was their algorithm not working?

The new Chief of Algorithms after digging into the data found....'there was absolutely no correlation between what people thought they wanted with who they would actually date.' I find this with half of my friends, the people they described they wanted to marry when we were younger, is nothing like who they ended up marrying.

We think we know ourselves. We know what we want. Nobody knows you better than you know yourself. All of these simply are not true. It is not farfetched to imagine a God, who perhaps knows what I really want or what is best despite my feeling or thinking the complete opposite. The question is, will I surrender and trust? Or will I, like my 2-and-a-half-year-old, insist that ice cream is really a breakfast food?

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NEXT STEPS - PLEDGE



Thank you for joining us on Tuesday, at our Next Steps Live Stream and Dinner.

It's been such an encouragement to explore with you, some of the Next Steps for us here at Dapto Anglican Church. In preparing to take those steps, we encourage you to fill out the pledge below. Please return it to the office (or put it in the offertory) by Sunday 29th November, where we will have a Thanksgiving service together.

If you missed out on watching the Next Step's Livestream, make sure you head to facebook.com/daptoanglican to check it out.

PLEDGE

Financial stewardship is an important component of a balanced spiritual life. Returning to God from what God has given us is a tangible way to express our faith. When we give together, we fund ministry within our parish and to the Dapto community and the world.

Determining the amount of your pledge is between you and God. However, receiving your pledge allows our Parish Council to plan wisely for the use of our resources in support of the mission and ministry to which God has called us.

I/We , _____, want Parish Council to know that my regular giving will increase/decrease by _____ weekly/fortnightly/monthly.

I/We would also like to give, in addition to my regular giving, a one-off gift of, _____, to support the following Next Steps initiatives:

- ☐ Summer Nights
- ☐ Greenfield's Mission
- ☐ Upgrade of the Hall
- ☐ Upgrade of the Forcourt

Signed: _____ Date: ____/____/____

PRAYER FOR TODAY

God our Father, whose will is to bring all things to order and unity in our Lord Jesus Christ; grant that all the peoples of the world, now divided and torn apart by sin, may be brought together in his kingdom of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

PREGNANT WOMEN

Amy M (10am), Loren A (7pm), Katie C (7pm) and Kasey D (10am).

VILLAGES/NURSING HOMES

Helen S, Bruce M, Diana M, Kath H, Ella H, Jean D, Lorna B-W, Glenys N, Barbara B, Barbara L. Barbara B.

8AM/2PM

Colleen Y - home recovering. Pat W, and son Antony, struggling with health, and Antony's fiancée, Sue K - more chemo treatment needed. Shirley S - problems with health; Beth W and Glad A - both recovering. Maureen (Op Shop customer) - terminal cancer, pray for pain management.

9:30AM

Reg B at Chesalon, Woonona. Anne S recovering well. Pat McK Thanks for prayer and well wishes.

10AM

Paul B - started dialysis. Phillippa S - started chemo treatment. Wendy E, Elizabeth L, Ronnie VK, Michael E, Janelle S, Michele S - all ongoing conditions and treatments.

7PM

Shaina J son, Roman - Scans are booked in for 19th November. Pray for good results Billy H - chemo treatment. Gary M - ongoing health problems. David G - pain whilst recovering from surgery.

HSC STUDENTS

Micah S, Olivia Q and Owen D. Please pray for these students.

SAFE MINISTRY



Dapto Anglican Church is committed to Safe Ministry Practices. If you have a question or concern, we are here to help.

Please contact:

- Julie Houghton, Parish Safe Ministry Representative, by confidential email safeministry@daptoanglican.org.au or through our church office on 42611001
- Anglican Abuse Report line on 1800 774945

