

THE MENANGLE NEWS

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St James

Minister: Rev Chris Moroney
Enquiries: Ph. 4633 8594

8.30am: Traditional Service

10am: Family Service and Sunday School

Families are welcome to join us on Sundays. We run a children's program while the 10am service is on. This caters for children 3 years old to year 6. Under 3's are welcome in church and the service is live streamed to the adjacent room – The Stables



www.menangle.anglican.asn.au

BELL RINGING PRACTICE 7 to 8 PM

1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesday evenings

New members welcome.

Columbarium Niches

Reservations can be made with a deposit of \$200
contact Brian - 4633 8261

St. Patrick's Church

Mass: 1st Sunday of each Month at 6pm



THE MENANGLE STORE

Phone 46338101 Fax 46338686

MEN @ SHOP

...an opportunity for men to relax, with other men, over a cup of coffee or tea in a friendly atmosphere once a week at 10.30 a.m. on Thursdays at the Menangle Store.

The meetings usually last about an hour.
Contacts: Chris 46338594 Graham 46338810

CHRISTMAS IS GOD'S RESCUE PLAN



CHRISTMAS EVE

6pm | Family Service

CHRISTMAS DAY

9am | Christmas Day Service



Services at St James

AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST



SATURDAY 26th JANUARY 2018
AT THE MENANGLE FIRE SERVICE SHED

8am – 10am

\$5/Adult \$10 / Family

AUSTRALIANA THEME

- wear your Akubra

Good tucker

- cooked by our wonderful Brigade

**Every Aussie should celebrate our
wonderful freedoms**

RAINBOW REFLECTIONS

God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish, but have eternal life. These words (or a version of them) are so familiar to anyone who attends church, that we sometimes miss the significance of them. God's love is not a Santa Clause love, it is a Father love – A love that protects and provides, but a love that guides and disciplines. A love that sets good boundaries, and allows consequences, so that reality is experienced. A love that requires responsibility to be taken so new levels of trust can be given. An empowering love that produces Christlikeness of character in those who choose to believe it.

God's Son, Jesus is the human expression of God's love – everything Jesus said, everything He did demonstrated the love of God, and was an expression of His love for God. As a Son, Jesus shows us how to be well-pleasing sons and daughters of God. As Saviour He pays the death penalty for us for all the ways we fall short of that. As risen, glorified King, He sends His Holy Spirit to be a new nature within us to make it all possible.

It is so simple – but we, like Jesus, are tempted to live life for our own glory, doing what we want to do regardless of what God wants, preferring our independence. This is what it means to perish – even while we live! Take the issue of forgiveness – God wants us to forgive all people for all the wrong they have done to us, or to others, because Jesus has already prayed "Father forgive them, they don't know what they are doing." God wants us to bless those who make life difficult for us. He wants us to pray for those who oppose us. He wants us to love our enemies! Why on earth would He want us to be like that?

Two reasons: the first is that we who believe are now the Sons of God who, like Jesus in His day demonstrate the love of God to those around us in our day.

The second – the consequences: when we choose to harbor unforgiveness we allow bitterness to take root in our lives and this

destroys our peace, our joy, our hope. This causes us to perish – to be tormented by our need for justice. Offenses certainly come – sometimes they come thick and fast!!! But the Holy Spirit within us is able to produce the fruit of "Self Control" in our thought life so we can entrust our case to God who judges all things righteously.

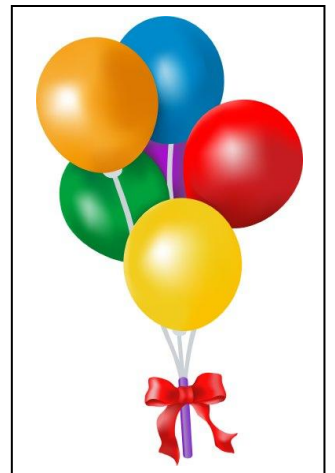
Perhaps in preparation for Christmas you might like to join me in firstly forgiving all those who have harmed, betrayed, offended, been disrespectful, misunderstood or disappointed you. "Father forgive...."

And secondly blessing them "They don't know what they are doing – have mercy on them God."

Blessings and love,
Sue Peacock

BIRTHDAYS

1st Bradley Warner
1st Simone Collison
2nd Charlie Culpán
2nd Ethan Green
3rd Laura Howard
5th Jason Jeffree
6th Sam Ashton
6th Shane Halfpenny
7th Sara McNevin
9th Paige Robertson
11th Vanessa Perentin
18th Rosemary Tedesco
19th Neave Burt
21st Shane Koeford
21st Luke Campbell
27th Fionn Johnson



Add your special dates to our list by sending an email to: byp257@gmail.com

LIBRARIES

The Wollondilly mobile library visits Menangle every Friday between 11am and 12noon. You will find it parked in St James Ave... AND don't forget the Little Library at 12 Station Street; available whenever you're passing by!

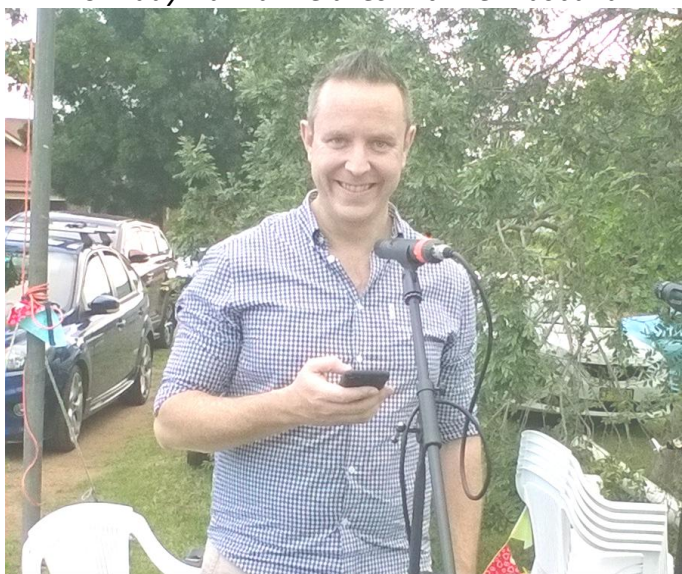
CAROLS ON THE HILL

About 300 people enjoyed a balmy evening of carol singing on Sunday 9th December.

We were privileged to have the mayor and deputy mayor in attendance. Both Cr. Judy Hannan and Cr. Matt Deeth read bible passages to the assembled crowd.



Cr. Judy Hannan relaxes with her husband



Cr. Matt Deeth reading Matthew 2:7-12

Camden Campbelltown Community Band made their usual wonderful contribution of the music as did the Menangle Rural Fire Service with the Sausage Sizzle.



Local Razorback resident, Ted Richardson, brought a collection of animals for the children to pet. The St James children performed a couple of songs and Ben

Pakula gave an entertaining and informative talk.



Thanks to everyone who helped make this a successful and enjoyable evening. Thanks too for all who attended.



Probus Club

Menangle district Probus Club is a club specially catering for retirees in our community. It joins clubs in United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand designed for fellowship, friendship and fun for retirees. A large number of the members live in the Durham Green Village, but from retirees in the district area of Menangle and Menangle Park would be eligible to join – applications welcome. If interested, it is suggested that contact could be made with the President, Pat McDonall (46339203) or Secretary Leon Warren (46338989) for further information.

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JANUARY PROMOTION



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CAMDEN AGLOW MEETING
NO MEETING IN DECEMBER
Upstairs at Narellan Library
All Welcome

Contact Sue Peacock 4633 8261

The Forbidden Dance Company

We currently provide fun private dancing classes to suit every individual. Salsa, Bachata & Merengue. Currently held in our personal studio in Haines Pl, Menangle or at your home. Private lessons: 1.5 hour basic classes: \$30.00 per person or \$50.00 per couple. Discount for groups or multiple pre-booked lessons. Call Claudia on 0430 460 205 to book in or email: Forbiddendancers@hotmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/forbiddendancecompany>

NUTRIMETICS

If anyone is interested in getting a Nutrimerics Brochure delivered to your door please contact Katie on 0404140659

AVON CALLING
Antonia 0411 602 400

ADVERTS

LIONS CLUB OF CAMDEN MARKETS

from 7:30am Saturday

at Onslow Park

[next to Camden Showground]

Ph: 0417 230 418

MACARTHUR LEARN TO SWIM

2/53 Cawdor Rd Camden

ph. 4655 7735

House Cleaning

My name is Malaika Hall [15yrs old]; I am working to earn extra pocket money by cleaning houses

If interested, please contact me on:

0451-142-947 (Price negotiable)

AFTER SCHOOL CREATIVE ART CLASSES

1A/31 Cawdor Rd, Camden



Local Macarthur artist Hannedora has teamed up with professional art therapist Julie Finch to produce an arts based after school program that will foster creativity, imaginative thinking problem solving skills and self confidence. They will deliver a range of stimulating creative activities that will encourage interaction and relationship building, while developing one's own unique visual language for self expression and self exploration.

The fun and creative program will cultivate the imagination through the exploration of a range of artistic modalities and mediums.

Classes:

Primary School

Monday & Wednesday 3.45pm – 5.15pm

High School

Monday & Thursday 5.45pm – 7.15pm

Limited to 8 students per class

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