

## Prayer for ministry with refugees

Mission Focus October - Blair family

Heavenly Father, we remember before you this month the many refugees throughout the world, without statehood, homes and hope. We bring before you especially those individuals and families who have found refuge in Sydney, and come under the pastoral care of the Blair family. Grant to Cameron and Lara, the resources and opportunities they need to reach out especially to refugee youth and their families, and to care for them. **Contact Janice for their latest newsletters and prayer points.**

***Please remember to pray also for those in our church family who we know are ill, recovering from illness or in need of God's comfort at this time. We think especially of Max, Brian and Jean.***

### Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet, the Wangal people of the Eora nation, and pay respects to Elders past, present and emerging, and pray that God will unite us all in a knowledge of his Son, in whom all things were created.

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## Giving

A helpful way to give regularly is by direct debit. Thank you.

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**Sunday 2 October 2022**

**16th Sunday after Trinity**

**Welcome**



**abbotsfordanglicanchurch**

*A fresh start with God*

**Welcome!**

Welcome to Church! A very special welcome to visitors whose children attend Scripture at our two local public schools and to those listening in on line. Thank you for joining in to this week's service and Bible Teaching.

Rev Trevor Young – Senior Minister

A sentence from the Bible to prepare us for hearing God's word...

***Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.***

*Ephesians 1:3*

## Today's Sermon

The Blessings in Christ

Ephesians 1:1-23

**YOU ARE WELCOME** to log in via the church's Wi-Fi address as follows:

**Abbotsford Guest** - password **urwelcome20**

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## TODAY

The Lord's Supper Form 3  
Page 39 Common Prayer 2012  
**RECORDED and available off the website from 12 noon**

**Welcome**

**Song** – He Is Holy

**Introduction**

*Brief introduction to the Bible Teaching. Children leave for Kid's Church. Greeting time.*

**Gathering in God's Name**

**Hearing God's Word**

Ephesians 1:1-23

**Affirming our faith**

**Bible Teaching**

*The Blessings in Christ*

**Psalm 32:1-2**

**Song** – In Christ Alone

**Praying to God**

**Lord's Supper**

**Announcements**

**Song** – You Never Change

**Going out to serve**

**Private prayer**

*If you would like prayer after the service, Dick and Coral Tony will be at the front of the church to pray with you.*

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## Prayers

### A prayer of preparation

Almighty God, you know our hearts, and nothing can be hidden from you. By your Holy Spirit, cleanse our thoughts and desires, so that we may truly love you and bring honour to your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### A prayer of confession

Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have often gone our own way and rejected your will for our lives. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us forgive us, cleanse us, and change us. By your Holy Spirit enable us to live for you and to please you in every way, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### A set prayer for the day

Father, guide us, as you guide creation according to your law of love. may we love one another and come to perfection in the eternal life prepared of us. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** AAPB page 254

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### October mission focus

- ministry to refugees, in particular the Blair family in western Sydney.
- Prison Chaplaincy
- NSW state government, including Premier Dominic Perrottet and Opposition Leader Chris Minns.

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## Notices

### Next Parish Prayer Meeting tomorrow night

Monday, 3 October from 7pm to 8pm in the church foyer.

### Chiswick Manor and Bayswater services

Trevor will lead a service at Chiswick Manor at 3pm today, and also at Bayswater Gardens at 10am on Thursday, 6 October.

### Next Men's Breakfast – Food and Fellowship!

Saturday 15 October from 8am to 10am in the church foyer

### Your say re ministry ideas for 2023!

Trevor has begun planning for 2023 now that we can return to 'almost' pre-covid conditions. He'd love to know what you'd like to hear from God in his word, ideas that promote fellowship, and connecting with the community. Trevor will hand out a 'survey kind of thing' on Sunday 9 October for you to share your thoughts and return to him.

### Sunday service rosters – November to January

We are thankful for all those who voluntarily contribute to our service on Sundays. The roster for November to January will be organised soon, so please let us know by Sunday, October 23 any dates when you will be unavailable. You can record your dates on the sheet on the back table or email Janice (stewartmoore@optusnet.com.au).

**COVID 19 safety rules** - In line with NSW Govt advice, mask wearing is optional but recommended. **Please show respect and care for each other by using hand sanitiser and maintaining social distance, especially when choosing your seat in church.** After church please collect your tea/coffee in the foyer and move out to the church playground.

**Offertory** - A box for your offertory is at the back of the church. Monthly mission focus donation envelopes are at the end of each pew, for placing in the offertory box. Offertory also by direct debit – **details on the back page.**

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### Bible Teaching for next Sunday, October 9

**The Grace of God** – Ephesians 2:1-10 - Rev Trevor Young