

## The Weekly

# Wollombi Valley E-pistle

From the Churches of St John's, Wollombi and St Mark's, Laguna

Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2018

### Sentence for the seventh Sunday after Pentecost

#### Sentence:

Of Jesus many said, 'What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power have been done by his hand!' (Mark 6.2)

#### Prayer of the Day:

O Lord our God,  
you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us  
than we are to seek them; and more willing to give than we desire or deserve:  
in our every need, grant us the first or best of all your gifts, the Spirit who  
makes us your children. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God for ever and ever. **AMEN**

#### Readings for this week, the seventh Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 5.1-5, 9-10	Psalms 48
2 Corinthians 12.2-10	Mark 6.1-13

#### Readings for next week, the eighth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 6.1-5, 12b-19	Psalms 26
Ephesians 1.1-14	Mark 6.14-29

## This Week ... St John's Wollombi

8.30am Service of Prayer, Praise and Proclamation

10.00 am Holy Eucharist

**Celebrant:** Rev. John West

## Next Week ... St Mark's Laguna

10.00 am Service of Prayer, Praise and Proclamation

**Celebrant:** *To be advised*

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### I Don't Want To Do It My Way!

"I Did It My Way" is apparently one of the most popular songs played at funerals in England. It's proclaiming that this was a strong and independent person, his or her own man or woman, self-made, not easily swayed by the opinions of others.

The truth is that none of us can be strong all the time. We need other people and most of all we need God, who made us to know him, enjoy his presence and live with him for ever. Without God we are going to struggle. Without him we will never reach the potential for which we were created. Without him our lives will lack ultimate purpose and direction.

The great preacher and missionary, the Apostle Paul, wrote that his strength was made perfect in weakness. It was when he recognised his own limitations that he relied more and more on God's strength to guide his life through the suffering and persecution that he endured. And because of that he became one of the most influential people that the world has ever known.

God does not look for us to be independent, going our own way. He wants us to depend on him for forgiveness, for inner transformation, for growth into Christian maturity and for genuine usefulness in God's Kingdom.

Hear more at St John's Anglican Church, Wollombi. 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 10am and at <https://johnwest.org>  
John

### St Michael's services

Michael's mass times have changed. From July forward mass will be at **4:30pm** on each 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> **Sunday** of the month. This means mass in July will be on 8<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of July.

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## Rosters

### **Roster for this week Sunday Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2018**

READER;	Susan	MORNING TEA	Paula
PRAYER LEADER;	George	CLEANING;	Helen

### **Roster for next week Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> of July 2018**

READER;	Barbara	MORNING TEA	Marilyn
PRAYER LEADER;	Marilyn	CLEANING;	Ken

## Food Donations

Food donations for *The Samaritans* can be left in the basket at the back of the church.

Please bring non-perishable food items such as cereal, long-life milk, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, tinned meals, soup, baked beans, spaghetti, tea, coffee, snacks for children's lunch boxes, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, spreads such as jam and vegemite, tinned tunas and essential items such as toiletries, nappies etc.

## Prayer meetings

### **Women's prayer meeting**

Mondays 10am at Marilyn Star's house. (2616 Paynes Crossing Rd.)

**Prayer meetings on Friday night at Wollombi School at 6.00 pm.**

**Bible Study meeting for everyone interested.**

Wednesdays 7.00 pm at Wollombi School.

## Pot Luck Dinners

During winter Pot Luck dinner will be a brunch. Everyone in the community is welcome to join us. Venue to be announced.

## Announcements

**Save your used stamps** for collection at the Sunday service as this makes an additional contribution to the mission fund.

## St Michael's Mass times have changed

The new mass time table is now in place with the next mass at **4:30pm**

this coming **Sunday!**

## **Prayers**

**FOR THE WORLD ON THIS DAY**

**FOR THE WORLD**

**FOR THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD**

**THE CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA**

**PARISHES AND ORGANISATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF NEWCASTLE**

**FOR THE PARISH OF THE WOLLOMBI VALLEY**

**ALL PEOPLE IN THE WOLLOMBI VALLEY**

**FOR THOSE CONNECTED TO OUR PARISH IN MISSIONARY WORK**

**FOR THOSE IN NEED**

**FOR RECENTLY DECEASED**

**FOR HEALING**

**FOR SUPPORT**