

Greenmount Ward

NEWSLETTER

10th May 2020

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“Let us put our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ into action!”

President Russell M Nelson

Bishop's Message

Hi Ward Family,

My words never seem adequate enough to express how important mothers are in our lives but let me try. Strong, brave, resilient, perfect, beautiful, loved and a child of God are just a few that come to mind when I think of my mother. You have a go and see how many words you can come up with when you think of your mother? Ohhhh and don't forget to tell her.

Everytime a baby is born, so is a mother. There is a bond and no love that comes closer to the pure love of Christ than the selfless love a devoted, righteous mother has for her child. We are who we are largely because of her and the Saviour. Yet a mother's path is not easy, down right hard at times, you may be doing better than you think. May the Savior's words to the women who fought through the crowd to touch his garment bring some comfort, when he said to her *“Daughter, be of good comfort; they faith hath made thee whole”* and that faith will make your children whole as well.

May this “Mothers Day” be a tribute to all mothers, those we know and those who came before us. May we honor you by preserving our thoughts and memories to share to future generations.

Take care everyone and have a wonderful, safe “Mothers Day” this sabbath.

Sincerely,
Bishop Spark



Ward Announcements

- Kate Anderson is putting together a memorial book for Bishop Reid. Please forward her any memories or media such as pictures you have to help her compile it. The cut off date to get it in is the end of May.
- Missionary work continues in Greenmount ward with church pamphlets being dropped in letterboxes this week.
- There won't be a Relief Society lesson this week due to mother's day.

Ward Business

- We have released with thanks and appreciation, Sister Allison Juranovich as 2nd Councillor in the Young Women's organisation.
- We have called Sister Chris Lentz-Reid as the new 2nd Councillor in Young Womans.
- We have called Sister Riley O'brien as a "Nursery Leader" working alongside Sister Donna Goodlet.

As directed by the First Presidency, for new callings, all sustaining votes will be conducted at our first sacrament meeting back together.

Tithing Pickup

Our next tithing pickup will be Sunday the rd of 7th July. Please contact one of the Bishopric members to add your name to our pick up list. Call Bishop 0423 440 576 or Bro. Holder 0425 502 2434.

Relief Society President Message

Nicolette apologises as she has been having troubles with her phone this week and may not have received any text messages.

Relief Society Zoom Lesson 3rd May.

Based on talk by Elder Holland : A perfect brightness of Hope.

I learnt so many things studying this talk. Hope helps overcome fear. The things we hope for lead us to faith and the things we hope in lead us to charity. It is an amazing topic to study.

The commitment from my lesson (Anyone is welcome to join in):

Will you pray fully reflect on your own life and look for where your hopes have been fulfilled, where times of darkness your hopes and faith have helped you through and give thanks to God for these times.

Promised blessing: Your future will be bountifully blessed as the past had been and that you may walk with an increased brightness of hope throughout your life.

'...among our most indispensable virtues will be this precious gift of hope linked inextricably to our faith in god and our charity to others.'

Getting to know the Sisters.

Hello from Bec Beckham

SOMETHING I HAVE LEARNT FROM COME FOLLOW ME THIS YEAR?

I love the come follow me programme and really excited to be studying the book of Mormon this year. I have learnt so much it's hard to just pick one thing. For me everyday there is something new that I haven't noticed

before and then being able to share that with my family is very special, it makes the book of mormon more relevant to me and my family and we are able to liken it to what is happening in our own lives. The most important thing for me however is that everyday I feel blessed and feel of my Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ's love for me and all his children and that they really do care about us.

SOMETHING POSITIVE ABOUT QUARANTINE?

The best thing about quarantine for me is being able to slow down and take time out to spend quality time with the kids and get to know them all better. Having to teach them at home I've been able to understand what they've been learning and the human beings they are becoming.

It has been nice to see them interact with each other and learn to have more patience (although not always succeeding) and building those close bonds has been a real blessing.

WHAT ARE SOME HOBBIES YOU ENJOY?

In the little amounts of spare time I have I enjoy knitting, reading, going to the gym and sleeping

WHAT IS THE MOST INTERESTING PLACE YOU'VE BEEN TO?

Without a doubt it would have to be the Church sites in America and especially the sacred grove, we went in the winter time when no one was around and we were able to walk through alone and take our time, it was so quiet and peaceful and has a very special spirit about it I would love to go back.

WHAT FAD OR TREND DO YOU HOPE COMES BACK?

Simple really, manners and kindness.

WHAT FICTIONAL PLACE WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO VISIT?

Belinda said it best last week, the wonderful world of Harry Potter, love to go into honeydukes and try those scrumptious lollies. Travel would be so much easier and quicker, no more wasting time on chores when you can just wave your wand, no more trips to the doctor's or injuries that you couldn't fix quickly. Food magically appearing on your plate and kids would be much easier to wrangle

Elders Quorum

Elders Quorum lessons and dates:

- 10-05-20 Spiritually defining memories – Neil L Andersen
- 24-05-20 Ensuring a righteous judgment – James R Rasband
- 14-06-20 Deep in our hearts- Douglas D Holmes
- 28-06-20 Come unto Christ- John A McCune
- 12-07-20 Consider the goodness and greatness of god – Dale G Renlund
- 26-07-20 A good foundation against the time to come- Gary E Stevenson
- 09-08-20 He goes before us- Henry B Eyring
- 23-08-20 The Melchizedek priesthood and the keys- Dallin H Oaks
- 13-09-20 Opening the heavens for help- Russell M Nelson
- 27-09-20 Come and belong- Dieter F Uchtdorf
- 11-10-20 Finding refuge from the storms of life- Ricardo P Gimenez
- 25-10-20 The finest homes- L Whitney Clayton

Birthdays

- Joyce Renolds 5th May
- Daniel Ballah 10 May
- Hannah Ballah 10 May
- Anthony Punaivaha 12 May

Primary

Primary spotlight

Wild Crofford

What's your favourite hymn or primary song?

Follow the Prophet and Book of Mormon Stories! I love those ones.

Who do you miss seeing the most at church?

My friend, Flynn!

Why is Jesus Christ special to you?

Because he can walk on water and He made the Earth.

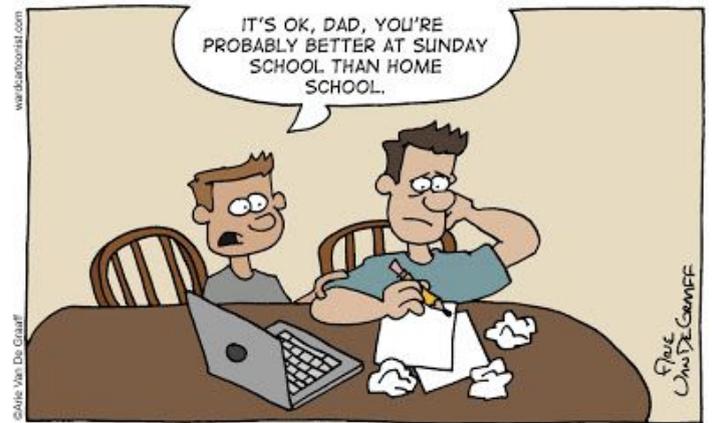
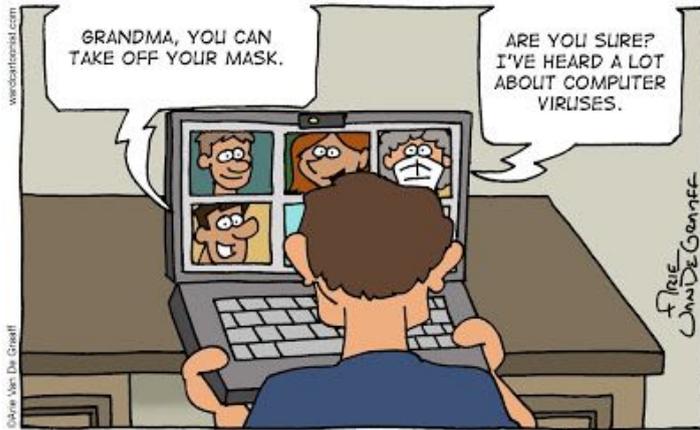


Weekly “Come, Follow Me” Home Centered Learning

We encourage you to continue your home-centered learning by continuing the “Come, follow me” program. If you need a “Come, follow me” manual, please call or message Luke Holder 0435 553 357 your name and address to get one delivered to your door this week! The learning schedule:

May 4 – 10 Mosiah 11–17	May 11– 17 Mosiah 18–24	May 18 - 24 Mosiah 25-28	May 25 - 31 Mosiah 29 - Alma 4
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The Isolation Cantillation



Self Reliance Newsletter below

If you did not receive the business email or this newsletter via email, please contact Neville King (0412 684 403) with your email address to be added to the ward list.

If you want to add something to the newsletter then please contact Michael McIlwaine on michael.mcilwaine@gmail.com

