

Greenmount Ward

NEWSLETTER

14th June 2020

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“The historical facts and the special witnesses of the Book of Mormon testify that its coming forth was indeed miraculous.”

Elder Ulisses Soares

Bishop's Message

Hi Ward Family,

On Friday, a notification to the ward was sent out informing that our first sacrament meeting will now be held on the **21st June for all families without Priesthood** in the home that can't administer the sacrament. Please note, church is sacrament meeting only, there are no classes afterwards. All other families have continued authority to administer sacrament in the home until further notice.

This new start date was necessary to allow contractors to complete a deep clean of the chapel, train our Aaronic Priesthood and finish the installation of our new air conditioning system, which we are all grateful for.

For those that do attend there are a number of government and church requirements to comply with and it's very important that we protect the good name of the church by adhering to them in the event we are approached by government officials. These include:

- Maintain records of members for the purposes of contact tracing where appropriate.
- Anyone that does not feel well or who exhibits any of the following symptoms should not attend: Fever, cough, shortness of breath, headache, runny nose, sore throat, or susceptible to illness.
- A cleaning program during and after the meeting is required. Each week assignments will be given out along with instructions on how, where and what to clean.
- There will be one entrance and exit door. Entrance into the building will be through the front door facing the road and the exit will be through the double doors into the courtyard.
- Specific seating arrangements to ensure social distancing guidelines of 2 sqm. The Aaronic Priesthood will assist members with any seating information.
- No hymn books or printed material can be used unless you bring your own. There will be an overhead project displaying the hymns.
- The kitchen and drinking fountain will be off limits. Some bottled water will be provided or you can bring your own.
- Visiting other wards is not allowed.
- Choirs are temporarily suspended.

The bishopric is grateful for your patience, support and assistance as we approach phasing back to church carefully and cautiously. This is definitely one experience for the ward history book.

Sincerely,
Bishop Spark

Ward Announcements

- April General Conference Ensigns are available. Please contact Nev King or Don Desmond for a copy.
- When ministering could you please check if people are receiving announcements in text messages from Belinda King. These messages contain various announcements from the bishopric, elders quorum and relief society. These messages are a way of delivering important information. If your ministering people are not receiving these text messages can you seek their permission to give their mobile number to Belinda King.

Ward Business

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Tithing Pickup

Our next tithing pickup will be Sunday the 5th 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.

For Parents



navigating a parents' moment

A “life post-COVID” conversation with one of our parents was really thought provoking. As we discussed the return or non-return to normal, I was struck by how many of us are having significant conversations and thoughts ...

“What does life look like, post COVID?” ... many parents express the desire for a slower life, a more regulated pace ... and many express the wish that this current reality can be more than “getting through” or “surviving”, that it becomes a shift into new habits that transform our lives.

“What do we want for our family?” ... others have expressed appreciation for simple, slow Sundays, for sitting around the dinner table and talking ... for the opportunity to enjoy their family and their children for what they are ...

Personally, I’m trying to treat this as a season for new relationships to bloom. Pondering and reading about others’ experiences, i.e. with some help! I’ve identified some intentional shifts to make to my mindset:

- I intend to creatively cultivate relationships –

- I commit to contribute to a positive climate through life-giving words –
- I affirm genuineness in myself and others – in the words of Steve Argue:

I'll be honest, I don't want anyone to see me at my worst moments. Yet, I also think this season is an opportunity for our growing kids to see that we're human and, even more, hear us admit our limitations. When I reveal my rough edges, let my best self show up, or admit my anxious moments, I level the relational playing field and create new opportunities for connection. Perhaps one of the best ways we can connect with our kids is through our shared humanity. This will lead to both embarrassing and beautiful moments that can bring us closer together.

May we carefully navigate and find our way in this opportunity!

Sister Missionaries in a very unique situation.



Please welcome our new sister missionaries into your homes for a meal if you are able and comfortable with this. They are again able to visit with members, and they are so happy about it after 6 weeks of real lock down. They are not allowed to go tracking, and are both newly together, so we encourage you to give them a call and see how you can help them do the work of the Lord, or just introduce yourself. Please give them a call on 0410 434 756. (They have no car and need picking up.)



Relief Society

We have a sisters text message list. When we have news to share, or information to give we send out a group text. If you have a mobile phone and you do not get weekly Zoom links, then this means you are not on the list. Please contact Nicolette or Belinda to pass on your mobile number.

Please note the upcoming activities:

- Gemma King will be teaching the relief society lesson on Sunday at 11:30 am (you are welcome to join the meeting from 11:15 am). We will using the same link as previous weeks. Please contact Naomi or Belinda is you need help setting it up.

The meeting ID: 783 217 6099

Password: Pioneer47

Phone in option, call: 715 01149

You will be prompted to enter the meeting ID (783 217 6099#)

You will be asked to enter your user name but you can just press #.

- Tuesday, 16 June at 9:30 am there will be a morning tea at Naomi Holder's house. There will be a recipe demonstration.

Elders Quorum

Elders Quorum lessons and dates:

- 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



Honor Morris
Rebecca Gardner-Grieve
Maureen Waite

Primary

Here are a few songs to go along with the lessons for the month of June which are great teaching helps and a way to remember principles for our children to know, if families could practice at home so that when we come back to primary we will be prepared for our sacrament presentation later in the year and be familiar with the songs.

- We'll bring the world his truth. (cs pg172)
- Follow the prophet (cs pg 110).
- I want to be a missionary now (cs pg 168).

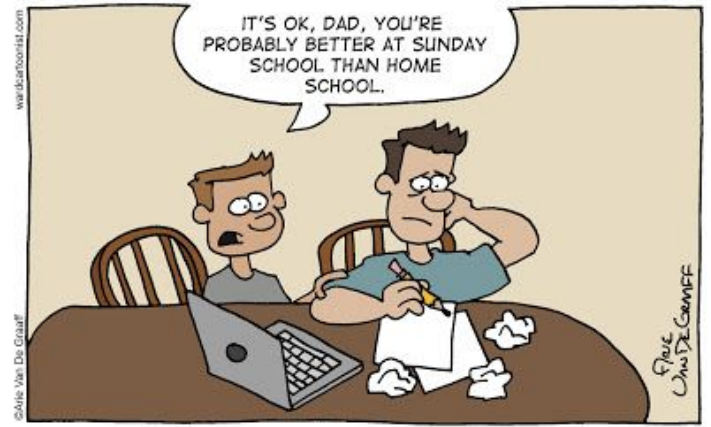
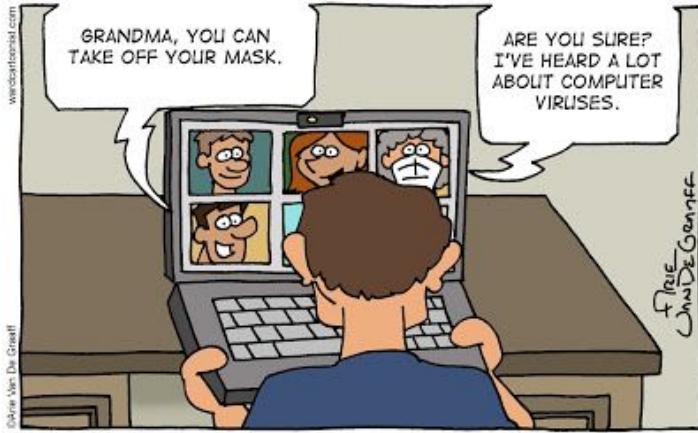
Love primary.

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:

8 - 14 June Alma 8 - 12	15 - 21 June Alma 13 - 16	22 - 28 June Alma 17 - 22	29 June - 5 July Alma 23 - 29
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The Isolation Cantillation



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