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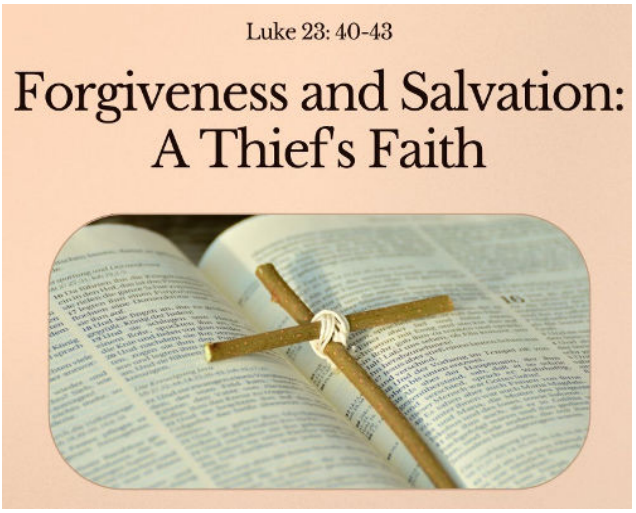
21 April 2024

Memories: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly… and The Trivial



Memories… good, bad, ugly, trivial affect our thinking, our lives more than we realise perhaps. By definition memories happen in the past so in one sense the only power they can have over us is that which we give them. Of course, Jesus has saved us from our sins but also wants to save us from the bad and ugly memories which threaten to diminish our joy and cripple our relationships. The thief on the cross had enough bad memories in his life to be executed.
BUT
Jesus said to him; Today you will be with me in paradise … where all the bad memories totally vanish.
Jesus says: remember ME!
Not lies of the past, not regrets of things done and not done. Remember ME!
Then nothing else matters because we are children of God, sons and daughters, heirs to the kingdom of God. Nothing else matters.

Peter Weckert

Bible Readings: Luke 23:40-43 (NLT)

Podcasts of weekly messages are available at www.paravista.org.au

Prayer Requests

Please forward all prayer requests to the church office via churchenquiries@paravista.org.au or phone 8263 5087. If you know or have spoken to anyone who does not have access to a computer, please assist them to submit their request and offer to pray with them.

Call Committee Update

The call committee has conducted 1 pastor interview, with another 2 scheduled for next week. Provided next week's interviews go well, the call committee will be looking to announce a call meeting in the coming weeks- please keep an eye out for any announcements in this space. Please continue to pray for the call committee as they conduct interviews and seek God's will for Good Shepherd.

Your servant in Christ,
Joel Schwarz

Men's Breakfast

Finally, the Men's Breakfast is back and hosted by Para Vista Blokes. A safe place for men to connect and share with others. Please join us!!

Food Collection – 28th April

Thank you for your continued generous support of the work of Lutheran Care through supporting our monthly food collections.

Items requested by Lutheran Care for April:

- Pasta Sauce
- Sweet Biscuits
- Coffee
- Sugar
- Shampoo
- Conditioner

Community Family Support News

KAPS April 28th

Just a reminder that our next KAPS event on 28th April from 4pm (the afternoon before school returns for Term Two… It won't be a late night). We are having a games afternoon. There will be board games, parent vs kids' games and more. Worship and dinner will follow. Why not pop the date in your diary and invite your friends and family!

Looking forward to seeing you on 28th April!

Rachel and Georgie

Young Adults

Are you a young adult looking to connect with other young people?
Each term Blueprint Ministries organizes an event for young adults. The Term 2 event will be held on Sunday 28th April from 2 pm – 5 pm at Carrick Hill. To register your interest in attending please indicate on the Young Adults Facebook page.
https://www.facebook.com/events/740517167870711/

Office News

Office Closure

The office will be closed on 25th April 2024 due to Anzac Day.

Weekly News Items

Weekly News items are to be sent to churchenquiries@paravista.org.au / krishna.vasani@paravista.org.au by Wednesday Evening. Out of hours please leave a message on the answering system 8263 5087 or email the office and staff will respond as soon as they are able.

Café Time!!

Tea and coffee are available after Sunday services, and you are most welcome to come and enjoy!!

Name Badge Request

The cost for a replacement name badge is $12. If you would like to order one, contact the church office on 8263 5087 or send an email to: churchenquiries@paravista.org.au

Connect Cards

Connect Cards are available as you enter worship. Please complete the card using pencils which are available from holders on the side of chairs in the worship centre. They may be placed in bowls provided at exits as you leave. Connect Cards may be used for comments, small group or prayer requests or to communicate with office or Pastoral Care staff.

Diary Dates 2024

April

25th April	Anzac Day - Public Holiday
27th April	9-11am Men's Breakfast - GS Church Hall
28th April	4-6.30pm KAPS
28th April	LC Food Collection (both services)

School Holidays - *13th April to 28th April 2024*

May

4th May	SA-NT Synod
7th May	1-3pm Ladies Fellowship
12th May	Mothers' Day
17th–19th May	Men n' Minors Camp
19th May	Annual General Meeting
24th May	7pm onwards Volunteers' Supper
26th May	4-6.30pm KAPS

June

2nd June	12.30-4pm Safe Church Training Level - 1

"… The message of the cross is foolish to those who are headed for destruction! But we who are being saved know it is the very power of God."

1 Corinthians 1:18 (NLT)

Safe Church

In observing Christ's command to love one another, we are to treat each other with respect and dignity. In honouring people, we are also fulfilling our responsibility under the law of the land. The LCA and Good Shepherd Para Vista is committed to ensure the church is a safe place. If anyone feels they have been subjected to sexual abuse or harassment in any form by anyone who holds a position of trust in the church, please contact:
P: 1800 644 628 E: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au

Weekly News submissions should be made by the Wed prior to Friday publication.

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