

**Welcome to worship
at Dayboro Uniting Church and
Mt Mee Community Church**

Sunday 18 January 2015

08:30am Dayboro Pastor Richard
4:00pm Mt Mee Holy Communion
Fr Geoffrey Agu



Richard's Ramblings

“ I’m gonna lay down my burdens
Down by the riverside”| “

Well, our New Year Resolutions have been well and truly made and put into practice, or, as in my case, deferred sine die. But we don't just pick up new (read better and healthier) ways of living each New Year (OK, we intend to, sometimes those intentions just don't work out), we also carry over baggage from last year and sometimes from year upon year, going back into antiquity.

That baggage is often to do with forgiving, or not forgiving, or keeping a grudge. You know it doesn't make sense, to adapt the advertising punch line. So do I, but we both still do it, silly us. And while we bear that grudge, whoever hurt us all those years ago still has power over us. So let's let it go, eh, and go into 2015 the lighter for it.

But it's not only other people we have trouble with forgiving. We don't forgive ourselves, either. Things, perhaps very damaging to ourselves and others, which we did years ago still haunt us. These two packages, forgiving others and ourselves, go hand in hand. "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us" asks Jesus in His prayer. Sometimes it's easier to forgive other folk than to forgive ourselves. Look, you really are forgiven, God has promised it, so forgive yourself as well. However long you've carried this burden around, just get rid of it from 2015 onwards. Live as a forgiven person, love as a forgiven person, be sorry and behave differently but as a forgiven person. And have a Happier New Year!

From Ian (chair of Church Council)

NOW THAT CHRISTMAS IS OVER!!!!

We need to give our attention again to the church financial situation now that the festive season is over. There is a very great need to increase our income each week.

To this end, I am suggesting that the 'Direct Giving' method is a great way to go. It's great value to you is that it is relatively painless!!! It is also very convenient as you do not have to scabble around looking for cash on Sunday before church. The benefits for the Church (and the poor old money counters at the end of each Sunday service!!!) are also very clear.

If you would like to begin giving in this way, approach your bank and they will supply you with their own form to allow this to happen. You will need our banking details and these are as follows:

Bank ECU

BSB number: 654019

Our account number: 316897

Jenny is the expert in this area and would be happy to help you with any questions that you might have.

Contributions for the Newsletter

Read any good books lately? Or found a website which has helped your Christian life and/or witness? Or do you have *secret knowledge* of an upcoming event? Tell Richard, and see your name in lights (OK, in Apple Verdana 11).

Next week at Dayboro Uniting Church:

Thursday 1pm Card Sharps
Friday 10am Conversation Club
Sunday 08:30 Ephesians 3 Pastor Richard
Readings Kay Murchie
Intercessions Kay Murchie
(seems a bit hard on the poor girl?)

Next week at Mt Mee
4pm Holy Communion Pastpr Richard

Minister: Pastor Richard Lance
Mobile 0447 447 945
(dayborounitingchurch@fastmail.fm)

Welfare Managers and Conversation Club:
Ann Turner and Kay Murchie 3425 2864

Treasurer: Jenny Brown 3425 1363
Council Secretary: Chris Clarke 3289 4708

Chair of Church Council: Ian Ogston 3425 3661

Sunday Space: Leanne Marr 0438 212 736

Casa Segura Cards Group:
Allan and Joan Kilby 3425 1122

Mainly Music: Jilly Warschau 3425 3343

Please refer all cases of illness, hospitalisation or need
to our Welfare Managers or Minister.

Please direct requests for weddings, baptisms or
funerals to our Minister.