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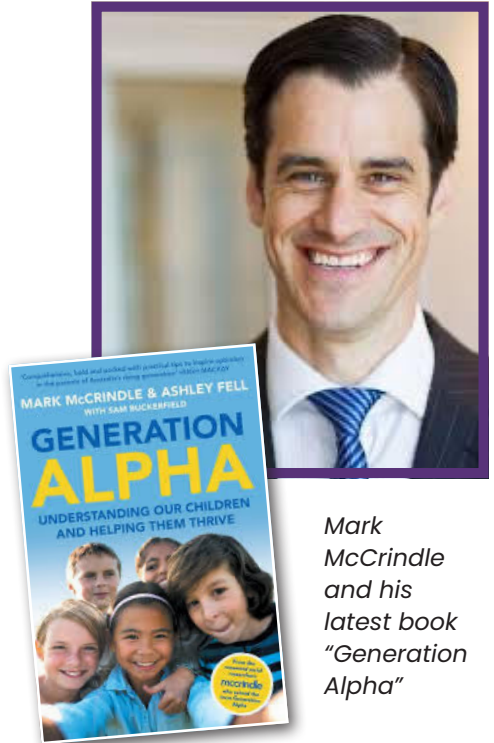
synod 2023

Mark McCrindle is an internationally recognised demographer, futurist, social researcher and author who will be the keynote speaker at Synod this year about Generation Alpha and the future of the Church.

Generation Alpha are the subject of Mark's latest book "Generation Alpha: Understanding Our Children and Helping Them Thrive" a young adult cohort born after 2010. Understanding Generation Alpha will be crucial for the future of the Church and Mark's keynote will be an invaluable resource to navigate the research on this generational change and how it will impact the Church.

Who are Generation Alpha?

Generation Alpha are the most globally connected generation of children ever. For parents, teachers and leaders looking for guidance on how to raise their children, worried if their kids are spending too much



Mark McCrindle and his latest book "Generation Alpha"

time on screens, concerned how global trends are impacting them and wondering how to prepare them for a world where they will live longer and work later.

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- How do we understand and empower this generation?
- What is the significance of technology for this generation?
- How has the pandemic shaped how they view the world?
- What does their future look like and how can Christianity and the church speak into this space effectively?

Synod 2023: Transforming Spirit will be held from 15–17 September at Katoomba Christian Convention.

In 2021 Synod committed to Future Directions, at Synod 2023 we will discern how to move forward with those commitments together.

We will gather together as a Synod for the first time since 2019 in person to celebrate the achievements of the Synod and understand how the Future Directions commitments can shape how we think about God at work and our mission across Presbyteries and Congregations.



FELLOWSHIP with a THEME!

Fellowship with a Theme
will meet on
SUNDAY 7TH MAY
after morning tea
in the Umina Meeting Room.

We will be celebrating
Mothers' Day by
remembering our Mothers.
What character trait do you
remember of your mother that
is significant or that you have
picked up?

You are welcome to bring a
photo of your mother.

All are welcome!
Bring your own drink/s
and lunch.

Contact Myrle Bowden
or Heather Walker for
more information.

worship services & regular activities

FRIDAY 21 APRIL

Family Fun Night

Umina Church

5:00pm

SUNDAY 23 APRIL

Morning Worship

Umina

9:30am

MONDAY 24 APRIL

Monday Prayer Meeting

Zoom

9:00am

Monday Bible Study

In recess. Resumes 1 May

WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL

Craft

Umina

10:30am – 12:00pm

THURSDAY 27 APRIL

BeeBay Playgroup

Umina

9:30am – 11:30pm

scripture readings

	SUNDAY 23 APRIL	SUNDAY 30 APRIL
FIRST READING	Acts 2:14a, 36-41	Acts 2:42-47
PSALM	Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19	Psalm 23
SECOND READING	1 Peter 1:17-23	1 Peter 2:19-25
GOSPEL	Luke 24:13-35	John 10:1-10

a prayer

Christ our God,
sun of righteousness,
by your divine touch
you gave light to the eyes
of the blind man
who had been deprived of
light since birth.
Enlighten also the eyes of our souls,
and make us sons and
daughters of light
so that we cry out to you in faith:
great and beyond words is your
compassion towards us!
Loving Lord, glory to you!

Amen.

*(Vesper Hymn, Sunday of the Blind Man.
In: Let us pray to the Lord, A collection of
prayers from the Eastern and Oriental
Orthodox traditions © 1996 WCC)*

we pray...

- with Woy Woy Presbyterian Church
- with Tuggerah Lakes South Faith Community
- for those who are sick, those who have lost loved ones and others with special needs - for all those in the Peninsula Village and those unable to attend Worship, Suli Waqa, Bevan Anderson, Cathy McAllister, Joan Swain, Joice Tee, Connie Watts, Debra Stewart and their families
- and give thanks for those participating in the coming Anzac Day Services
- and give thanks for all the Defence Force Chaplains
- for the family and friends of paramedic Steven Tougher

songfest of REMEMBRANCE

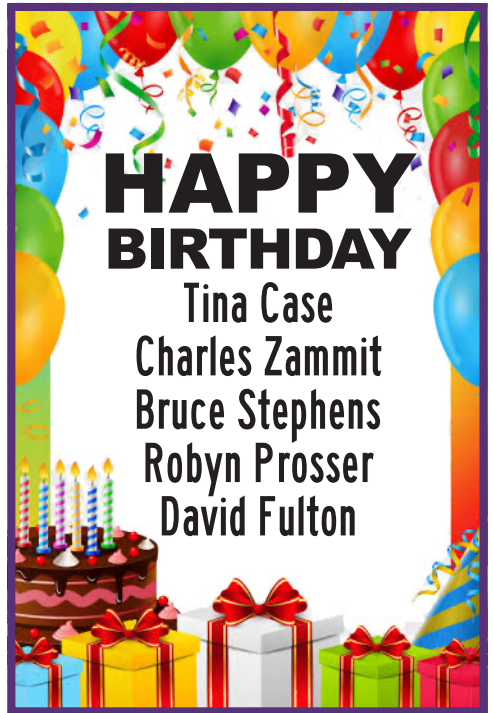
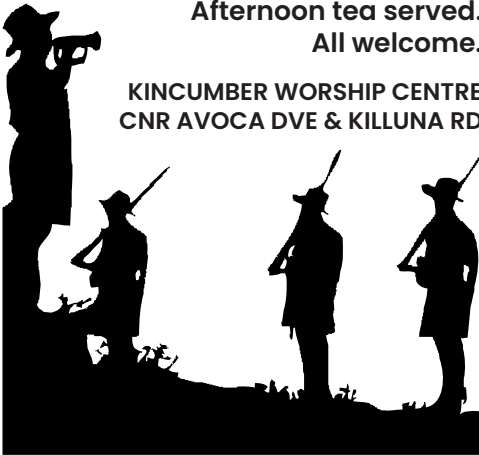
*including an
Anzac Day
Tribute*



Saturday 22nd APRIL
from 2.00pm

Bring your family.
Invite your friends.
Afternoon tea served.
All welcome.

KINCUMBER WORSHIP CENTRE
CNR AVOCA DVE & KILLUNA RD



Happy Anniversary
**Margaret &
Wayne Read**



broken bay uniting church

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