



SUNDAY 14th Jan 2017
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Welcome to our worship this morning. Children are especially welcome. We do hope that you will find the worship uplifting and that your relationship with Jesus Christ is enriched through it.

We seek to be a church that loves God, our local community and each other, in the same loving way that Christ loves us. Please join us for morning tea after the service.

If you have any questions about what we do here or about the Christian Faith in general I would be happy to make time to discuss them or any other issues with you.

Gluten free wafers are available for Communion, if you require these please speak to the service leader.

Prayer of the Day:

Eternal God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, is now exalted as Lord of all, and pours out his gifts upon the Church: grant it that unity which only your Spirit can give, keep us in the bond of peace, and bring all creation to worship before your throne; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Dates for the Diary:

Bunnings BBQ at Bibra Lake: 3rd February and 24th February
(Spearwood)

New 2 You Sale: 3rd February 9.00 - 1.00pm (Hilton)

PRAYER AND THANKSGIVINGS

Please pray for:

- Please add Maria Edwards to those being Confirmed on 28th January.
- All who are unwell, lonely, or grieving the loss of loved ones.
- Our upcoming Fundraising events: Bunnings BBQ, New 2 You Sale, and Harbour Theatre.
- Good effective stewardship of our finance and that God might give us generous hearts.
- All those whom we have reached and helped through our giving program.
- Gods Spirit of love and unselfishness to flow throughout and from our churches.

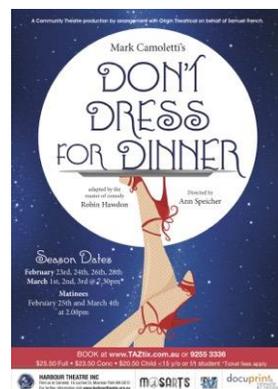
Harbour Theatre presents 'Don't Dress For Dinner'

Fund raising event for Hilton

8th March 7.30pm

This boulevard comedy was a smash hit in Paris, where it played for over two years, and in London, where it ran for six years at the Apollo and Duchess Theatres. It has since played in theatres all over the USA and the English speaking world and was revived in Chicago and on Broadway at the American Airlines Theatre in 2012. This production was nominated for two Tony Awards.

Bernard is planning a romantic weekend with his chic Parisian mistress, Suzanne, in his charming converted French farmhouse, whilst his wife, Jacqueline, is away. He has arranged for a cordon bleu cook, Suzette, to prepare gourmet delights, and has invited his best friend, Robert, along to provide the alibi. It's foolproof: what could possibly go wrong?



Well... suppose Robert turns up not realising quite why he has been invited. Suppose Robert and Jacqueline are secret lovers, and consequently determined that Jacqueline will NOT leave for the weekend. Suppose the cook has to pretend to be the mistress and that the mistress is unable to cook. Suppose everyone's alibis get confused with everyone else's.

An evening of hilarious confusion ensues as Bernard and Robert improvise at breakneck speed.

WARNING: Contains some course language and sexual references.

Tickets \$20 available from Lesley Ayres 9337 2212

HOME FREED: the theology of decluttering

Part 1: Goal!

Forgetting what lies behind, I press on towards the goal. (Phil 3:13)

An important aspect of spirituality is to live in the present, without letting the past hold you captive, or the future make you anxious.

But in a house full of clutter, paying close attention to what is immediately in front of you may be the last thing you want to do! Heaps of clutter demand attention, because it occupies the space you need to work in, because it hides the important thing you are looking for, because it is difficult to keep clean, because you literally risk falling over it and injuring yourself if you don't pay attention.

The desire to clear clutter and live more simply can be strong, but people often don't know how to begin. Just throw it all away and start again? There may be treasures buried in the junk! (And anyway, recycling is more responsible than simple disposal.)

For the past decade, I have been helping people to declutter their homes and also to organize what they want to keep. No matter

how the process ends, decluttering always begins the same way – we set a goal. What are you aiming to achieve? What will be the end result?

Your goal provides motivation, a sense of purpose when the mess is at its worst. With no goal, you might just move stuff from one place to another, without sorting through it. One room is cleared, but another is newly cluttered! So, it is better to go through things by type – shoes, tools, pans, books, and so on – rather than room by room. For example, do you really need 20 pairs of shoes, and eight screwdrivers? If your goal is to keep only things you use at least once every year, then the answer becomes easier.

Often clutter is inherited. Although you don't really want it, there is a sense of obligation, guilt, or fear of what might happen if you give anything away. So, part of your goal could include a change of attitude. Pray you will be able to see things for what they really are. Pray for wisdom as you choose what to keep. Pray that you can open your hands to let go of what you do not need. Pray for perseverance until your goal is reached. Remember that clutter is as much in the mind as in the home.

Then begin. Gather your possessions into 'like' groups, and look at each thing in turn. Make positive choices. How will this possession help you to reach your goal? Surround yourself with beautiful, useful things that make living in the moment a joy and a delight. Take the rest down to the nearest charity shop – where they may well go on to light up someone else's life.

SPEARWOOD								
Date	Welcome	Reader	Prayer	Sacristan	LPM&LA	M/Tea	Musician	Counters
14th Jan	Karl	Bernard Ann	Lorraine	Lorraine	Len Audrey T	Len	N/A	
21st Jan	Merv	Merv June	Maxine	Colleen	Colleen June	Len	N/A	
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