



# WEEKLY NEWS

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DAPTO ANGLICAN CHURCH

## RELATIONSHIP GOALS

NATHAN GRAY (NEXT GEN MINISTER)

Once again, Taylor Swift is taking the world by storm. Swift has wrapped up her very successful tour around the USA and is soon to take it to the world, including Australia. There is no denying the star power of Swift and the gravity she has, dominating music charts and sending stadiums full of fans into a frenzy.

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But people have stopped talking about her tour and are now deeply invested in another area of Swift's life: her relationship status with American Football player Travis Kelce.

It has been a fascinating week as this potential relationship has swept over two massive fan bases, Taylor Swift and NFL supporters. "Swifties" are working out who Kelce is, and as a result, his Instagram followers and Jersey sales have grown massively. So much so that people are asking if people knew of Kelce before Swift started dating him. To which I would say yes, he is a two-time Superbowl champion!

There always seems to be a buzz around celebrity relationships. Who is with whom, who just broke up and what is happening? We can become invested in their relationships, hoping for the best for them.

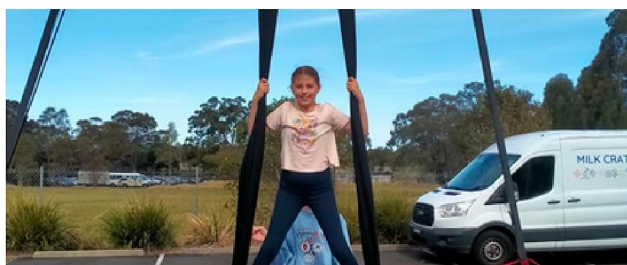
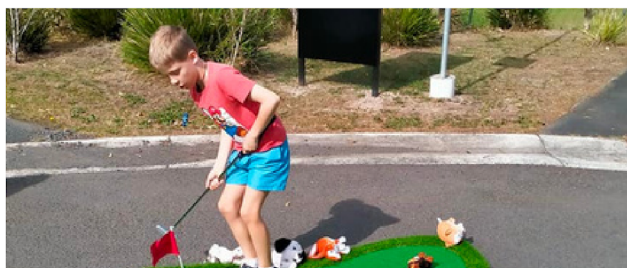
When you have two people as famous as Swift and Kelce, people are invested in them, which is fair enough. But there is one who is more popular and wants to be in a relationship with you.

At youth group this term, we looked at who God is, his character, and how he calls us to know him as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The God who created the universe, as well as you and me, what's to be in relationship with you. Isaiah 40 is a great chapter to provide comfort for us. It talks of God measuring the waters in the hollow of his hands, how nothing is worth comparing to him, and that he knows us. He gives strength to the weary and will renew their strength.

Spend some time investing in your relationship with God this week; he is much bigger than Swift and Kelce, and he knows you!

# St Luke's 70th Anniversary

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered and prayed for the recent St Luke's 70th anniversary event. The day was such a blast! Many children and families heard the good news about Jesus, there were activities for someone of every age, as well as delicious food, face painting and farmyard animals!



Dapto Schools Scripture Board  
*Supporting Scripture in our High Schools*

## Dessert Night

Monday 23rd October  
From 7pm, in the Foyer  
\$15 Per Person

**FAMILY  
ADVENTURE  
DAYS**

**TRAIN TO  
KIAMA**

**Thursday 5th Oct**  
Catch the 9:07am Train from  
Dapto or meet us in Kiama  
We'll explore, play and picnic



## Safe Ministry

Dapto Anglican Church is committed to Safe Ministry Practices. If you have a question or concern, we are here to help.

Please contact:

- Julie Houghton, Parish Safe Ministry Representative, by confidential email [safeministry@daptoanglican.org.au](mailto:safeministry@daptoanglican.org.au) or through our church office on 42611001
- Anglican Abuse Report line on 1800 774945



## Quilt, Craft and Art Show

The Quilt, Craft and Art Show is coming up so quickly! Our Creative Connection team have been working extremely hard and can't wait to show you what they have been working on! Join us to see a marvellous display of creativity on the 6th or 7th of October, from 10am till 3pm (\$6 entry). Not to mention our Coffee Crew will be firing up the coffee machine, fryers and toasters, for some delicious food and drinks! You don't want to miss it!



# PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord God, the harvest is indeed plentiful but the labourers are few.  
We pray that you, the Lord of the harvest, will send out labourers into your harvest;  
To preach the good news of Jesus,  
To build up your Church in all lands,  
To show the love of Christ to all those in need and distress  
So may your kingdom come and your will be done. Amen.

## PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### HOSPITAL

Please pray for Trish G (10am) who is in Wollongong Hospital with a broken hip.

### EXPECTANT PARENTS

Tara and Nathan O; Lisa and Matt G.

### VILLAGES/NURSING HOMES

Please continue to pray for our people in Residential Care Homes: Jean W, Kath H, Phyllis D, Audrey & Alan R, Gae & Allen Q, Elsie N, Barbara L, Pamela B, Gordon M, Beth W (Piper House, Dapto); Robyn K (Digger's Rest, Corrimal); Helen S (Marco Polo, Unanderra); Ella H, Trevor W (Warrigal Care, A.P.); Wendy C (Farmborough Uniting, Unanderra); Cheryl T (Hammond Care, Horsley); Graham S (The Links, Wollongong); Brian B (William Beach Gardens, Dapto).

### 8AM / WED 2PM

Pray for Mavis B (8am) who has been in Wollongong Hospital with Pneumonia. She is home now, but still unwell. Please continue to pray for Genie C's brother, who has cancer and is quite unwell. Continue to pray for Darryl N now recovering at home.

### 10AM

Please be praying for a safe surgery, recovery and answers for Roman (Shaina J's eldest son), as he is scheduled to have surgery on his spine soon. Please continue to pray for Pat McK's friend, Jan J, who is waiting for surgery. Also, pray for Andrew W as he continues with his treatment. Please continue to pray for Phillip P as he struggles with his health. Continue to pray for Janice S as she waits to have surgery.

### 6PM

Please continue to pray that Jael's health will stabilise.

### CAFE CHURCH/CREATIVE CONNECTION

Lynne N's brother, Stephen, is having his Targeted Chemo adjusted. He has been quite unwell. Pray that they can sort out his dosage. Also, keep praying for Lynne N as she has treatment for her Crohn's disease. She will be starting on new medication soon.