

June

Mon 1st **Albany.** We give thanks for the faithful volunteers and committee in Albany. Pray for the new Manager as she steps forward into the role. We are asking God to help us to find those who are called to ship visiting and welfare support. May the Centre continue to be known as a place of welcome, care, and practical compassion for seafarers..

Tue 2nd **Bell Bay** Lord, continue to strengthen the Bell Bay team as the Centre develops new ways of supporting seafarers. We pray for younger volunteers with energy, technical skills, and a heart for service.

Wed 3rd **Brisbane.** We pray for all seafarers visiting the Port of Brisbane. Bless our volunteers, Mission Supervisor, and committee as they continue to build strong partnerships across the maritime community. May the Centre continue to be a beacon of hope and hospitality.

Thu 4th **Bunbury.** Thank You for the relationships being strengthened throughout Bunbury Port and the local community. Encourage local volunteers and we ask for the blessing of love for our Chaplain as he is ordained this month. May he continue in the ministry of chaplaincy and welfare support.

Fri 5th **Burnie & Port Latta.** We pray for stronger engagement with the local community and port stakeholders. Support us in our work with seafarers and training for volunteers. Bless the Welcome Box ministry and all practical support offered to visiting crews.

Sat 6th **Dampier & Port Walcott.** Guide the teams in Dampier and Port Walcott as they continue supporting seafarers across the Pilbara. We pray for additional volunteers and leadership support, and for meaningful conversations that bring encouragement and hope.

Sun 7th **Darwin.** Lord, help the Darwin ministry continue to grow in visibility and community support. Bless our partnerships with other local churches, our Chaplain, welfare providers, and the port community.

Mon 8th **Devonport.** We give thanks for the rebuilding of ministry in Devonport. Pray for volunteers, sustainable leadership, and strong community partnerships.

Tue 9th **Eden.** Bless the Eden team with wisdom, encouragement, and unity. We pray for the plans that are on place for a chaplain to continue supporting seafarers visiting this regional port.

Wed 10th **Esperance.** We give thanks for the redevelopment and strengthening of the Esperance ministry. Bless volunteers, committee members, and the new

manager as the Centre and team continues rebuilding and growing.

Thu 11th **Fremantle.** Protect all seafarers visiting Fremantle and strengthen those serving through the Mission. Guide future plans for facilities, volunteer growth, and expanded welfare support.

Fri 12th **Geelong.** Thank You for the volunteers and supporters in Geelong and for decades of service by the Chaplain with his ministry to seafarers. Bless online ministry efforts and every opportunity to connect with crews.

Sat 13th **Geraldton.** We give thanks for the care and hospitality shown to seafarers in Geraldton. We place our faith in you to provide the people, resources, and support needed for this ministry.

Sun 14th **Prayer for Sea Sunday.** Lord God, watch over seafarers across the world. Keep them safe at sea, strengthen their families, and remind them they are not forgotten.

Loving God, we thank You for the seafarers who sustain our world through their work at sea. Protect them from danger, loneliness, fatigue, and hardship. Bless their families and loved ones waiting at home. May all seafarers know peace, dignity, friendship, and hope wherever they travel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mon 15th **Gladstone.** We pray for sustainable funding, additional volunteers, and community support for the work in Gladstone. Bless all efforts to provide practical care and friendship to seafarers.

Tue 16th **Hastings.** Bless the volunteers and supporters in Hastings as the Centre continues operating with expanded accessibility and technology-enabled support. May seafarers find rest, safety, and welcome as the port continues to grow and develop.

Wed 17th **Hobart.** Lord, provide new volunteers and strengthen local partnerships with churches and supporters. Bless all practical ministries, including those who knit beanies and provide care packages for seafarers.

Thu 18th **Melbourne.** We pray for wisdom and strength for the Melbourne team as they care for increasing numbers of seafarers and cruise ship crews. Continue to guide the ministry in compassion and advocacy.

Fri 19th **Newcastle.** We pray for successful grants, volunteer recruitment, and more opportunities for ship visiting and welfare outreach across Newcastle.

Sat 20th **Papua New Guinea.** Lord, guide the continued rebuilding and strengthening of Mission to Seafarers ministry in Papua New Guinea. Bless partnerships, training opportunities, and the development of local seafarer welfare

support.

Sun 21st **Portland**. Bless the Portland team, volunteers and supporters. Sustain the ministry through ongoing financial support, encouragement, and strong local engagement.

Mon 22nd **Port Giles**. We pray for seafarers visiting regional South Australian ports. Bless efforts to improve connectivity and communications support through projects such as Starlink and welfare infrastructure improvements.

Tue 23rd **Port Hedland**. Thank You for the progress toward improved welfare facilities in Port Hedland. We pray that more seafarers will receive shore leave opportunities and practical support during their time in port with our chaplaincy team.

Wed 24th **Port Kembla**. Bless the ministry in Port Kembla and all relationships with the wider port community. May every seafarer who visits know dignity, welcome, and care.

Thu 25th **Port Lincoln**. We give thanks for the growth of ministry in Port Lincoln and for increase in volunteers who continue to provide hospitality and friendship to visiting crews.

Fri 26th **Port Pirie**. Lord, strengthen the regional ministry in Port Pirie and surrounding ports. Bring new volunteers and supporters with the skills and energy needed to sustain this important work.

Sat 27th **Port Wallaroo**. Guide the Port Wallaroo ministry as it develops new ideas in this location, resources, and welfare support systems. Protect seafarers and their families during difficult times.

Sun 28th **Sydney**. Bless chaplains, volunteers, and welfare teams caring for seafarers and cruise ship crews in Sydney. May all who enter the port experience kindness, dignity, and support.

Mon 29th **Thevenard**. Thank You for the faithful service of volunteers and bus drivers supporting seafarers in Thevenard and Ceduna. Bless ongoing projects improving connectivity and welfare access.

Tue 30th **Townsville**. Lord, raise up new chaplaincy leaders and volunteers in Townsville. Strengthen all who travel and serve to support seafarers visiting the port.

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AUSTRALIA AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA REGION

Regional Director: Sue Dight

Welcome to the June 2026 edition of the
Mission to Seafarers Monthly Prayer Diary.



This month we are praying for the work in the Australia and Papua New Guinea Region. The prayer requests have been prepared by the Regional Director, Sue Dight and her team.

Sue writes:

Welcome to the July 2026 edition of the Mission to Seafarers Monthly Prayer Diary. The Mission to Seafarers Australia continues to respond with compassion, advocacy, and practical care to the many challenges faced by those who work at sea. Across Australia and Papua New Guinea, our teams, chaplains, volunteers, and

welfare partners support seafarers visiting more than 28 ports around the region.

Every day, our centres provide seafarers with opportunities to:

- reconnect with loved ones through reliable communications and internet access;
- rest and recharge mentally, emotionally, physically, and spiritually;
- receive support through chaplaincy, transport, welfare services, and practical assistance; and
- find a safe and welcoming place ashore during often difficult and isolating voyages.

Over the past year, Mission to Seafarers centres across Australia have supported more than 100,000 seafarers through ship visiting, transport services, welfare interventions, emergency assistance, pastoral care, and hospitality.

We continue to work closely with AMSA, Port Welfare Committees, port authorities, government agencies, maritime organisations, and industry partners to advocate for fair treatment, shore leave access, welfare support, and improved connectivity for seafarers in Australian waters. Seafarers remain an often unseen workforce who sustain Australia's way of life, carrying almost everything we rely upon each day. As we pray through this diary, we remember the humanity behind global trade and give thanks for those who serve at sea and those who support them ashore.

May these prayers encourage, strengthen, and inspire us all.