

22 JUNE 2014

TODAY'S SERVICES

THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

8.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

ST JOHN  
THE BAPTIST

EST. 1888  
ANGLICAN CHURCH

Incorporating ministries with Eastern  
Hills Parish

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY	25	8.15am	Morning prayers with Sue
THURSDAY	26	9.30am	Mahjong with Barbara—Church
FRIDAY	27	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	29	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

*Quiet Before the Service*

**Please be sensitive to the fact that when you are sitting in the pews prior to the service and whilst other people are receiving communion, those around you may well wish for quietness.**

***Thank you.***

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## THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

### SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

You will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. *Luke 1. 76-77*

**HYMNS:** 8.30am Eucharist:- **TIS:** 270, 573, 105, 111

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way for your Son our Saviour by preaching a baptism of repentance: Make us so to follow his teaching and holy life, that we may truly repent, and, following his example, may constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever

**Amen**

### 1ST READING: ISAIAH 49. 1-6

LAURA BENTLEY

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified. 'But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.' And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

**PSALM: PSALM 139: 1-11** ( said alternately with reader and congregation)

1. O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
- 2. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.**
3. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 4. Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.**
5. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
- 6. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.**
7. Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?
- 8. If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.**
9. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
- 10. even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.**
11. If I say, 'Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night',

**SECOND READING: ACTS 13. 16-26**

JOANNE WOOD

So Paul stood up and with a gesture began to speak:

'You Israelites, and others who fear God, listen. The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and made the people great during their stay in the land of Egypt, and with uplifted arm he led them out of it. For about forty years he put up with them in the wilderness. After he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, he gave them their land as an inheritance for about four hundred and fifty years. After that he gave them judges until the time of the prophet Samuel. Then they asked for a king; and God gave them Saul son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, who reigned for forty years. When he had removed him, he made David their king. In his testimony about him he said, "I have found David, son of Jesse, to be a man after my heart, who will carry out all my wishes." Of this man's posterity God has brought to Israel a Saviour, Jesus, as he promised; before his coming John had already proclaimed a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. And as John was finishing his work, he said, "What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. No, but one is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of the sandals on his feet."

'My brothers, you descendants of Abraham's family, and others who fear God, to us the message of this salvation has been sent.

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. Her neighbours and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. But his mother said, 'No; he is to be called John.' They said to her, 'None of your relatives has this name.' Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. He asked for a writing-tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And all of them were amazed. Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. Fear came over all their neighbours, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea. All who heard them pondered them and said, 'What then will this child become?' For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him. The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.

### Ministries Needed

The parish needs the following people or person to :-

- 1) Scan documents. – There are hundreds of documents that require scanning as we attempt to go paperless. This will require someone to feed the photocopier and name each document.
- 2) Set up the Maheno Room for functions and caretake the plant. Move the tables and chairs into place and check water fountains are full and bins empty. Loo rolls and soap are in place.
- 3) A Verger for the church. To get the church ready for funerals and weddings and be around to assist and help people.
- 4) Welcomers during the day – We still have a couple of spots vacant during the week. A crucial ministry to visitors and tourists.
- 5) New members are needed for parish council. Council needs to be represented by people from the 9am service.
- 6) A bell ringer for the 7.30 am and 9am service.
- 7) To serve at 9am.

Positions 1 & 6 have been filled, but the others are still vacant

Please contact either Father John or the office if you are interested in any of the above.

## Parish Prayers

### The Anglican Cycle of Prayer: In The World:

- ◇ **The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion):** +Nicholas Okoh
- ◇ **The Diocese of Sydney:** Abp Glenn Davies; Regional Bishops: Robert Forsyth, Ivan Lee, Peter Hayward, Christopher Edwards; Clergy and People

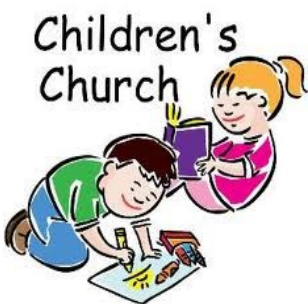
### In The Diocese:

- ◇ **The Parish of Dalby:** Tom Bower, Ken Hansen, Ian Harris
- ◇ **Chermside Anglican Welfare Ministries**
- ◇ **State School Chaplains**

**Locally:** All suffering from depression and other mental illness.

**Pray for The Sick:** Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Albert , Duncan Family, Coral, Marie, Sandy, Samantha, Steph, Bob, Kerrie, Ollie, Ken, John. Sarah, Renata

*(NOTE: under the Federal Privacy Act, consent of the person you wish to pray for must be obtained. No details of need / illness can be published without consent)*



The central message of today's Children's Church lesson is "Do not be afraid". The story is based on the reading from Matthew's Gospel and Jesus' words which helped the disciples not to fear.

Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00 service. If you are visiting or here for the first time, your children are very welcome to join us. We meet in two groups:

Children's Church – for children in Year One to Year Seven.

Little Children's Church – for children aged 3-years to Prep, younger children also welcome to attend with a parent.

## 22 June 2014 News & Coming Events for your Diary

If you are new to the parish or visiting **Welcome**. Please accept this invitation to stay and join in with us for fellowship and a chat outside after the service, where tea and coffee will be served.

- \* Thursday 26 June : 9.30am—12 noon—Mah-jong with Barbara—Church
- \* Thursday 26 June : 7.00pm—Meditation with Ananda—Church
- \* Friday 27 June : 10.00am—Eucharist
- \* Sunday 29 June : 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- \* Sunday 29 June: 9.00am—Family Eucharist
- \* Sunday 29 June: 10.00am—12 noon—Cake and book stalls

### **Samaritan's Purse: (operation Christmas Child)**

Shoe Boxes are now being sorted to send to children in underprivileged countries.

#### **SUGGESTIONS FOR THE BOXES ARE:-**

6 things to light up the world of a child in need

**SOMETHING TO LOVE** Teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

**SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL** Exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.

**SOMETHING TO WEAR** T-shirt, shorts, underwear, cap, beanie, sandals, thongs, etc.

**SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH** Tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, wind up torch, etc. (No battery operated items)\*

**SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE** Soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, hair-clips, scrunchies, etc.(No toothpaste)\*

**SOMETHING SPECIAL** Carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, stickers, note or photo of yourself.

***Please leave your completed boxes at the back of the Church for collection.***

**Cake & Book Stall: (A major fundraiser for the Parish):**

Our next Cake and book stall is on next Sunday 29th June . The people manning the stalls have noticed that large cakes such as fruit cakes are not easy to sell, so perhaps if you are one of the fine cooks who make these larger fruit cakes, you may consider making smaller ones which seem to be in demand and sell much better. Thank you.

**Knitting Circle:**

The knitting circle meets once a month in the Maheno room, knitting squares which are then joined and made into rugs, beanies, and crocheting tea towels. The rugs are then given to the residents 'Georgina Home for the Aged' , Wynnum Road. The beanies are sent to the Seamen's Mission at the Port of Brisbane, and so far this year 134 beanies have been knitted. 30 tea towels have also been completed this year and these are sold at our Cake and book stalls, the proceeds of which go toward the upkeep of the Parish. Well done ladies! Anyone wishing to join this lovely group of ladies and do some knitting or crocheting or anyone wanting to learn to knit or crochet is very welcome to come along; the next one is on this Wednesday 16th July, at 9.30am

**Men's Group:**

Next Men's Group is 9am Saturday, 28 June 2014, at the parish. We'll do our usual check in followed by a Bible study on the readings for the day. I'll also share a little about some pre-planning we need to do as we lead up to our menALIVE parish weekend early next year. Please let me know if you'd like to do Morning Prayer beforehand. See you then. Please feel free to spread the word.

Every Blessing,  
Daniel.

**Admission to Communion:**

Those interested in "Admission to Communion" please give your name and contact details to the Rector.

**NEXT WEEKS READINGS**  
**The Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Sunday 29 June 2014**

Genesis 22.1-14  
 Psalm 13  
 Romans 6.12-23  
 Matthew 10.40-42

<b>ROSTERED DUTIES</b>	<b>7.30AM</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>
<b>L.A.'S</b>	JACQUELINE HANLON SUSAN ROWE	ROLAND SOWERBY LAURA BENTLEY
<b>READERS</b>	ANN WINFIELD MARGARET O'KEARNEY	ELAINE ADAMS ANANDA RASHEL
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	ROSLYN THOMSON	
<b>DOOR</b>	LIONEL ROWE GRAYDON CLARK	LAURIE THOMSON
<b>TEA / COFFEE</b>		DIANNE COFFEY JOANNE WOOD
<b>OFFERTORY COUNTER</b>	LIONEL ROWE SUSAN ROWE	SARAH DAVIES MEL RICHMOND
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	
<b>LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	
<b>FLOWERS</b>	ELAINE	

**WEEKLY GIVING : BUDGET \$1350/WEEK; LAST WEEK \$ 937.60**