

22 MARCH 2015 - TODAY'S SERVICES

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

Incorporating ministries with Eastern  
Hills Parish

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY	25	10.00am	Bible Study—Maheno Room
THURSDAY	26	9.30am	Mah-jong—Church
FRIDAY	27	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	29	7.30am	Sung Eucharist
PALM SUNDAY		9.00am	Family Eucharist
		10.00am	Cake & Book Stalls

### *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:

"This is the covenant I will make with them," says the Lord God: "I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people."  
*Jeremiah 31.33*

**HYMNS:** 7.30am Eucharist:- **TIS** : 211, 583, 546, 231

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### 1ST READING: JEREMIAH 31.31-34

ALLAN THOMSON   MICHAEL SMIT

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

**PSALM 119.9-16** ( said alternately with reader and congregation)

9. How can young people keep their way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

**10. With my whole heart I seek you; do not let me stray from your commandments.**

11. I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you.

**12. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes.**

13. With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth.

**14. I delight in the way of your decrees as much as in all riches.**

15. I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways.

**16. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.**

**2ND READING: HEBREWS 5. 5-14**

MARGARET SALTER JANINE HARTSHORN

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. About this we have much to say that is hard to explain, since you have become dull in understanding. For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic elements of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food; for everyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is unskilled in the word of righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, for those whose faculties have been trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

## **GOSPEL: John 12.20-33**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

### **Can You Help?**

More volunteers are need to help clean our Church. This is not a very difficult task, and you would only be required to clean approximately once a month.

If you are able to help, please contact Ann Winfield on 0422 931 726 or the Church office on 3399 1508 or [office@stjohnsbulimba.org](mailto:office@stjohnsbulimba.org).

## Parish Prayers

### The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

#### In The World: -

- **The Diocese of Morogoro – (Tanzania):** +Godfrey Sehaba
- **The Diocese of Sydney:** +Glenn Davies; Regional Bishops: +Robert Forsyth, +Ivan Lee, +Peter Hayward, +Christopher Edwards; Clergy and People

#### In The Diocese: -

- **The Parish of Drayton:** John Pryce-Davies, Dorothy Daniels,  
John Thompson, Val Graydon
- **Anglicare SQ TRACC Roma**
- **State School Chaplains**

**Locally:** All emergency personnel

**Pray for The Sick:** Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Albert , Duncan Family, Coral, Marie, Sandy, Steph, Kerrie, Ollie, Ellen, Adrienne, John, Helen, Roselee, Esther.

*(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 Fifth Sunday of Lent – Sunday 22 March, 2015

Jeremiah 31.31-34; Psalm 119.9-16; Hebrews 5.5-14; John 12.20-33

The suffering Jesus on the cross draws our hearts to respond to the love of the Father and we recognize the cross as the throne of glory. No longer is the law a code on tablets of stone, for the law of love is written on our hearts.

Give thanks for the intimate relationship we have with God. Pray that we will trust and obey from the depths of our hearts.

Pray for the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Sudan, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

Text: Dorothy Thorpe, Diocese of Willochra

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## 22 March 2015 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.

- ◇ Wednesday 25 March: 10.00am—Bible Study-Maheno Room
- ◇ Thursday 26 March: 9.30am—Mah-jong
- ◇ Friday 27 March : 10.00am—Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 29 March : 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 29 March : 9.00am—Family Eucharist
- ◇ Sunday 29 March : Cake and Book Stalls

### **Children's Church:**

This morning's Children's Church is based on the reading from Jeremiah. The older children will be asked to think about the message from God and what it means to know something 'by heart'.

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.



*Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, so we will be decorating the Church with Palms.*

*If you have some Palms at home, please bring them along next Saturday, 28th March and we will start decorating at 9.00am. Even if you don't have palms, and would like to help please join us.*

*There will also be a working bee, on Wednesday, 25th March, after the Bible Study, about 11.30am to make the Palm Crosses in the Coxen Room. Please come along if you would like to learn how to make the Palm Crosses.*

## **What We Do**

### **Knitting Circle:**

The knitting circle meets on the third Wednesday of the month in the Maheno room, the next meeting is on Wednesday, 15th April, at 9.30am. Come along and join this happy group, for knitting, fellowship and morning tea; bring your knitting, or come and learn. Morning tea is provided.

### **Mah-jong Group:**

The Mah-jong Group meet every Thursday morning from 9.30am—12.30pm at the back of the Church, and would love to have some more members. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us on Thursday morning at 9.30am. Tea and coffee is supplied.

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

Our next Cake and book stall is on next Sunday 29th March . This is Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter. It will have an Easter Theme so please try and decorate your goods accordingly. 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 cakes, you may consider making smaller ones which seem to be in demand and sell much better. If you are unable to bake we are happy to have donations of flour, lemons, sugar etc delivered to the Church! Thanks.

### **St. John's Guild:**

The Guild meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 8.50am in the Maheno Room, for their meeting. This is followed by a morning of Hoy starting at 10.00am, at which morning tea is served. This dedicated group of ladies, also do catering for Funerals, and other small functions and would welcome any new members.

If you are interested, please contact the office on 3399 1508 or [office@stjohnsbulimba.org](mailto:office@stjohnsbulimba.org) or Peg Gladstone on 3217 9589.

## **NEXT WEEKS READINGS**

### **PALM SUNDAY**

SUNDAY 29 MARCH, 2015

Isaiah 50.4-9a

Psalms 31.9-18

Philippians 2.5-11

Mark 15.1-39

<b>ROSTERED DUTIES</b>	<b>7.30AM</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>
<b>L.A.'s</b>	JACQUELINE HANLON SUSAN ROWE	ROLAND SOWERBY SARAH DAVIES
<b>READERS</b>	JUNE PARKER LINDA MITCHELL	ELAINE ADAMS TONY RIGBY
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	ROSLYN THOMSON	
<b>DOOR</b>	LIONEL ROWE STUART WINFIELD	LAURIE THOMSON RIGBY FAMILY
<b>TEA / COFFEE</b>		DIANNE COFFEY JOANNE WOOD
<b>OFFERTORY COUNTER</b>	LIONEL ROWE SUSAN ROWE	SARAH DAVIES
<b>LITTLE CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>	LAUREN/ANDREA	
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>	CAROLINE/SANDRA	
<b>FLOWERS</b>	DECORATING THE CHURCH WITH PALMS	

**WEEKLY GIVING : BUDGET \$1700/WEEK; LAST WEEK \$**