

10 MARCH 2019 - TODAY'S SERVICES

First Sunday in Lent

7.30AM— SONG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

# ST JOHN

THE BAPTIST

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## ANGLICAN CHURCH

### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

<b>TUESDAY</b>	12	8.50am 10.00am	Guild Meeting-Maheno Room Hoy & Morning Tea—Maheno Rm. \$5—all welcome
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	13	7.30pm	Lenten Study—Church
<b>THURSDAY</b>	14	9.30am	Mah-jong—Church
<b>FRIDAY</b>	15	10.00am	Eucharist
<b>SUNDAY</b>	17	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

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## THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

### SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.

*Luke 4.8*

**HYMNS: TIS: 7.30** 580, 591, 594, 569.  
**9.00** 745, 699, 685, 154.

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

O saving God, who led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land: so guide us that, following our Saviour, we may walk through the wilderness of this world and be brought to the glory of the world which is to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### 1ST READING: DEUTERONOMY 26.1-11

JUNE PARKER SARAH DAVIES

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.'

## **FIRST READING** *(continued)*

You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

## **PSALM 91.1-2, 9-16** (verses will be said alternately with the reader and the congregation)

1. You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
- 2. will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.'**
9. Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place,
- 10. no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.**
11. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- 12. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**
13. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
- 14. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.**
15. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them.
- 16. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

## **2ND READING: ROMANS 10.4-13**

RUTH SOUTHGATE O'MEZIE EKWUDU

For Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

## **GOSPEL: LUKE 4.1-13**

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.'

Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." ' Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." ' Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." ' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." ' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

### **Lenten Appeal from ABM**

The Anglican Board of Mission 2019 Lenten appeal seeks support for their projects in Zambia, Lebanon and Australia. In each week of Lent and at Easter you will find envelopes for your donations. Please consider prayerfully your support for those in need across the world and place your donation envelope in the collection plate or donate directly to ABM.

### **Social Club Events**

The next Social Club event will be a Wine and Cheese Appreciation evening to be held in the Maheno Room on Friday 5th April at 7.30pm. We will provide a selection of five wines for tasting and five cheeses from Le Fromage Yard at Morningside. We will have a guest speaker Ian Davies to talk about the wines.

Tickets will be \$20 per person including wine, cheese and snacks.

Tickets will be for sale in church shortly, from Ann Winfield at 7.30 am service and Sarah Davies and Dianne Coffey at 9.00am. We will need numbers by 31st March for catering purposes. Please come along and bring your friends.

## Parish Prayers

### The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

#### In The World: -

- ⇒ **The Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo:** †Zacharie Masimango Katanda Archbishop of the Congo & Bishop of Kindu
- ⇒ **Ministry to the Defence Force:** †Ian Lambert; Chaplains & Members of the Defence Force

#### In The Diocese:

- ⇒ **The Parish of Toowoomba, St Luke's:** Paul Mitchell, Peter Mayen, Fred Ailwood, Terry Leonard, Bill Watson, Bp Clyde Wood
- ⇒ **Domestic Violence Task Force**
- ⇒ **St Andrew's Anglican College, Peregian Springs:** Principal - Chris Ivey; Chaplain – Gary McClellan; Chair of College Council – Rosalyn Cheales; members of College Council; staff and students

**Locally:** For all emergency services personnel.

**Pray for The Sick:** Valmai, Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Steph, Kerrie, John, Roselee, Esther, Linda, Drew, Kerry, Audrey, Dawn, Chris, Stephanie, Andrew, Kieran.

*(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 First Sunday in Lent– Sunday 10 March 2019

Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Psalm 91.1-2, 9-16; Romans 10.4-13; Luke 4.1-15

Today is coincidentally the First Sunday of Lent – the remembrance of Jesus going into the wilderness for 40 days – and Valentine's Day – where couples all over the Western world celebrate romantic love by being together and exchanging gifts. Out of love for his people Jesus ventures into the desert to fast and to pray – alone, and in this he is confronted with all the desires and difficulties that his human nature throws to him. In this he prevails because of his righteousness and shows us that there is no real love without sacrifice. We ought to remember this message on our Lenten journey and especially today.

Pray that we might have the strength to be able to follow the example of Jesus in sacrificing for those whom we love.

Give thanks for the Anglican Church of Korea, the Daehan Seong Gong Hoe, remembering especially the Religious Orders within the Church – The Society of the Holy Cross (Seoul), the Order of St Benedict (Busan), the Daughters of St Francis (Busan) and the Society of St Francis (Gangwando)

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## 10th March 2019 News & Coming Events for your Diary

- \* Tuesday 12 March: 8.50am—Guild Meeting—Maheno Room
- \* Tuesday 12 March: 10.00am— Morning Tea followed by Hoy—Maheno Room=  
\* \$5 all welcome.
- \* Wednesday 13 March: 7.30pm—Lenten Study—Church
- \* Thursday 14 March: 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- \* Friday 15 March: 10.00am—Eucharist
- \* Sunday 17 March : 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- \* Sunday 17 March: 9.00am—Family Eucharist

### Lenten Study

Our Lenten Study is *The Mystery of God*, from Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. Fr John will lead a study group, meeting in the church at 7.30 pm on each Wednesday of Lent commencing after the Ash Wednesday Service (7.00pm Wednesday 6th March) and continuing until 10th April. We will follow Jesus through the Lenten readings, allowing Him to draw us, in love and wonder, into the mystery of God's plan of salvation.

Please contact the Parish Office for a copy of the (free) Course notes.

### Confirmation Classes

Those wishing to be confirmed will have an opportunity at the visit of Bishop John to our Parish on 23rd June 2019. Parents and young people are invited to put their names and details on the form at the back of the church,, or to contact the Parish Office by email. At this time we anticipate that confirmation Classes will be held on every third Sunday (In-Service Service for Teen Church) up to the Bishop's visit and Confirmation on 23rd June. This will be 17 March, 28 April (not 21st), and 19 May.

### Weekly Welcomers

Do you have some free time to come and sit in our beautiful church and welcome visitors? We are looking for a couple more volunteers during the week and someone for Saturday morning. This is not onerous; you would commit to a regular weekly morning or afternoon (or less frequent) when you sit in the church and greet visitors. It is a calming and friendly ministry to keep our parish church open . Please contact Ann Winfield on 3395 7573.

## **WHAT WE DO**

### **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. 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 Wednesday 20th March, at 9.30am. A lovely morning tea is served.

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

The next meeting of the Guild will be Tuesday 12th March in the Maheno Room, starting at 8.50am for the Guild Meeting followed at 10.00am for Hoy. A lovely morning tea is served before playing Hoy so if you or anyone you know would like to have a lovely morning of fun and fellowship please join these lovely ladies.

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

Next stall is on Sunday 24th March. This is an important fundraiser for our Parish and we welcome all donations of cakes, biscuits, jams and sweets. We find that small cakes, and slices sell best, with homemade jams and lemon butter also very popular (any rosella jam out there?). Please be sure to put a price on your donations. Thanks.

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

The Mah-jong Group meets Thursday morning from 9.30am—12.30pm in the Church. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us. Tea and coffee are supplied.

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

Little Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00am service. We have stories and activities for children aged 3 years to Year 2, and younger children are also very welcome to attend with a parent. If you are visiting or here for the first time, your children are very welcome to join us.

### **Teen Church:**

Teen Church is an exciting youth programme offered during School term time at St John's. Each term the teens are invited to participate in 3 sessions exploring the Bible and their faith as well as 'In Service' services at the 9am Family service. They engage in ministry tasks and liturgical roles in the 'In Service' services which encourage their growth as Anglicans serving the community. Occasional group outings and fundraising events also form part of the Teen Church programme.

## NEXT WEEKS READINGS

### The Second Sunday in Lent Sunday 17 March 2019

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18

Psalm 27

Philippians 3.7-4.1

Luke 13.1-9

<b>ROSTERED DUTIES</b>	<b>7.30AM</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>
<b>L.A.'S</b>	Vanessa Hanlon Robert Bland	Sarah Davies
<b>READERS</b>	Ann Winfield Roslyn Thomson	Teen Church
<b>DOOR</b>	Lionel Rowe Stuart Winfield	Stephen Jones Jenny Franklin
<b>TEA / COFFEE</b>	Dorothy Cameron Anne & Peter Thurecht	Children's Church Bjorn & Lauren Holdt
<b>OFFERTORY COUNTERS</b>		
<b>FLOWERS</b>	No flowers in Lent	