

14 MARCH 2021

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**  
*MOTHERING SUNDAY*

10.00 AM—FRIDAY EUCHARIST  
8.30AM— SUNDAY EUCHARIST

*The  
Season  
of  
Lent*



**ST JOHN**  
THE BAPTIST  
EST. 1888  
**ANGELICAN CHURCH**

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF SERVICES**

**The next Friday service will be held on Friday 19th of March at 10.00am.**

**The next Sunday service will be a combined service at 8.30am on Sunday 21st March.**

Pre-registration is not required for the Friday service, but is for the Sunday service. Please register online at <https://stjohnsbulimba.org/what-we-do/online-worship/> or call Felicity Scott on 0431 599 662 by Saturday 20th at 10.00 to make your booking for the Sunday service.

We are moving to the use of QR codes which are currently required for hospitality venues. This should be an easier and more secure way of collecting attendance information. We will run both registration systems for a few more weeks. Please come ready to register using the QR Code provided.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT OF REVEREND ANDREW COOPER AS PARISH PRIEST**

Regional Bishop John Roundhill has announced that the Reverend Andrew Cooper has been appointed to be the Parish Priest of St John the Baptist, Bulimba. As Rev Andrew Cooper is currently the Rector of Jedburgh in Scotland, it may be some months before he can be commissioned, possibly in August. Please pray for him, and his current parish in the prayer on page 5 of this Pew Bulletin.

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## THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

### SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

The Son of Man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

*John 3.14–15*

**HYMNS: TIS: 658, 242, 699, 535.**

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Everlasting God in whom we live and move and have our being, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you: give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness prevent us from doing it; that in your light we may see light, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**1ST READING: NUMBERS 21.4-9**

**DON HANN**

They traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!" Then the Lord sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We sinned when we spoke against the Lord and against you. Pray that the Lord will take the snakes away from us." So Moses prayed for the people. The Lord said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, they lived.

## PSALM 107.1-3, 17-22

1. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:  
for his loving mercy is for ever.
- 2. Let the Lord's redeemed say so:  
whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,**
3. And gathered in from every land, from the east and from the west:  
from the north and from the south.
- 17. Fools were far gone in transgression:  
and because of their sins were afflicted.**
18. They sickened at any food:  
and had come to the gates of death.
- 19. Then they cried to the Lord in their distress:  
and he took them out of their trouble.**
20. He sent his word and healed them:  
and saved their life from the Pit.
- 21. Let them thank the Lord for his goodness:  
and for the wonders that he does for the children of Adam;**
22. Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving:  
and tell what he has done with shouts of joy.

## SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 2.1-10

DON HANN

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

## **GOSPEL: JOHN 3.14-21**

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.” For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son. This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

### ***Reflection:***

*Lent 4*

*Numbers 21.4-9; Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22;*

*Ephesians 2.1-10; John 3.14-21*

*What is it about the Israelites? They complain and grumble and are punished by God, then Moses intercedes on their behalf and God saves them. And this is repeated over and over. Finally, in Christ we are redeemed once for all, we are raised from the death of our sins to the heavenly places with Jesus. But let’s be clear. There are no acts nor works that anyone can do to be saved.*

*Life with Christ is a gift from God and we celebrate it by doing good to others.*

*God of the ages, your loving mercy is forever, we give thanks for the gift of your only child, we mourn his death and celebrate his resurrection and praise you for the eternal life you bestow upon us.*

*Give thanks for the work and witness of the Amity Foundation, China*

## THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:

### IN THE WORLD: -

- ⇒ **THE DIOCESE OF AWERIAL – THE PROVINCE OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SOUTH SUDAN**
- ⇒ **THE DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE:** †PHILIP FREIER; ASSISTANT BISHOPS - †GENIEVE BLACKWELL, †BRADLY BILLINGS, †PAUL BARKER, †KATE PROWD; CLERGY AND PEOPLE

### ⇒IN THE DIOCESE: -

- ⇒ **THE PARISH OF GOLD COAST NORTH:** JOHN DOUGHERTY, GARY SMITH, DON CAMPBELL, LYNETTE DUNN, BP LEN EACOTT, ROSEANNE STOWER, SIDNEY ROGERS, BILL DOAK, MARTIN HUNNYBUN
- ⇒ **RETIRED BISHOPS**
- ⇒ **ST PAUL’S SCHOOL, BALD HILLS:** HEADMASTER - PAUL BROWNING; CHAPLAIN - MARK LEAM; CHAIR OF SCHOOL COUNCIL – DAVID RUTHVEN; MEMBERS OF SCHOOL COUNCIL; STAFF AND STUDENTS

**LOCALLY:** We pray for our local Domestic Violence Services and for women and children in need of domestic violence support..

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Roselee, Steph and Chris, Kerry, Gloria, Joseph, Bernie, Don, Andrea, Graham, Pat, Peter, Tod, Max, Eileen, Ruth.

### ***A Prayer to be said between the Announcement & Commissioning Of our New Parish Priest***

*We give you thanks, O God for calling your servant Andrew to come  
amongst us as priest and pastor.  
Strengthen and sustain him as he prepares for this transition.  
Be with us as we welcome him into our midst,  
that we may faithfully minister together  
in the name of the one who said to his disciples,  
‘I am among you as one who serves,’  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.*

### **IN MEMORY, MARCH 14—MARCH 20**

*JACK THURLOW CRASWELL (1962)    JOAN NELL HAZELL (2016)*

*GUINEVERE KAY BLAIKIE (2015)*

# **NOTICES**

## **FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

*Our first Fellowship Dinner for 2021 will be held on 20th March.*

*A list is at the back of the church for you to nominate whether you wish to participate and provide a venue, an entrée, a main course or a dessert.*

*As we are in Lent the theme is vegetarian. You will need to add your name by 14th March to be allocated to a venue.*

*This is our social focus for 2021 until COVID restrictions on catering are eased.*

## **CAKE STALLS ARE BACK—SUNDAY 28TH MARCH**

Cake Stalls, an essential fundraiser for our parish, are back.

The next one will be on Sunday 28th March, Palm Sunday, so put it in your calendar.

Thank you to all who bake and preserve regularly, and who come to assist on the

## **Holy Week Services**

Online bookings will be required for the Good Friday and both Easter Services so that seat allocations can be made.

On Easter Sunday, if there is room, people may arrive and book in via QR code but those with prior bookings will be given priority.

Please go to the website to book or contact Felicity Scott on 0431 599 662 by 9.00am on Saturday 3rd April to make an online booking.

**Palm Sunday: 28 March.—8.30 am (including baptism of Stella Down)**

**Maundy Thursday: 1 April.—6.00 pm (including Tenebrae service, but not washing of the feet).**

**Good Friday: 2 April—10.00 am**

**Easter Sunday: 4 April—7.30 am**

**Easter Sunday: 4 April—9.30 am**

# **WHAT WE DO**

## **KNITTING CIRCLE**

Our Knitting Circle consists of a group of dedicated ladies who meet monthly to knit beanies, blankets and other items, and to enjoy morning tea together. The blankets are donated to the Mater Hospital and the beanies to the Missions to Seamen. They welcome new members and also donation of suitable wool. They will begin meeting again (usually in the Maheno Room) on the third Wednesday of each month at 9.00am. The first meeting will be on Wednesday 17th March.

## **GUILD AND HOY**

The St John's Guild is our women's fellowship group and will re-commence from Tuesday 13th April at 9.00 am with a meeting (very brief) and morning tea followed by Hoy at 10.00am. This very sociable group would love to have new members join them for fellowship and morning tea, and meets in the Maheno Room.

## **GROCERIES FOR GOODNA**

After the success of our Advent Groceries campaign to assist Goodna Parish we will be running a Lent grocery appeal for non-perishable groceries and toiletries for the Goodna Anglican Welfare Ministries. This wonderful group distributes food, toiletries and other goods to hundreds of needy families in the Goodna area. If you prefer to give money please mark it as a donation for Goodna. They will use money given to buy meat and other perishables. Please leave your bag of donations in church and we will make sure that they are delivered.

## **DONATE A DUNNY**

The Lakes Parish on the northside is a very new parish, in a very new area, run by the Rev Daniel Berris, who is well-known to many of you. They have commenced holding a Community Market to both support the Parish, and to build a community in a new part of Brisbane. Local small businesses can sell their goods and make contact with locals.

In order to hold a market they must supply toilets, and are currently hiring portable toilets. They have appealed for assistance to purchase portable toilets and we are collecting in the "dunny bucket" in church, hoping to raise \$2100 to purchase one toilet. Please donate to this worthwhile cause in church or to the Parish Office.

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**SUNDAY 21 MARCH 2021**

Jeremiah 31.31-34

Psalm 119.9-16

Hebrews 5.5-14

John 12.20-33

<b>ROSTERED DUTIES</b>	<b>8.30AM</b>
<b>L.A.S</b>	Sarah Davies Roland Sowerby
<b>READER</b>	Margaret Salter
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	Tony Rigby
<b>COVID WARDEN</b>	Felicity Scott
<b>IT MANAGER</b>	Sarah Davies
<b>FLOWERS</b>	No flowers in Lent
<b>CHURCH CLEANERS</b>	Margaret & Felicity
<b>MORNING TEA</b>	Roslyn & Allan Thomson

**To arrange direct debit for your regular givings,  
please use the account details:**

**BSB 704 901 Account number 00014573.  
Account name Bulimba Anglican Parish**