

2 FEBRUARY 2020 - TODAY'S SERVICES

PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

7.30AM— SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

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THE BAPTIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

TUESDAY	4	10.00am 7.30pm	Guild AGM—Maheno Room Followed by General Meeting Parish Council—Maheno Room
THURSDAY	6	9.30am	Mahjong—Maheno Room
FRIDAY	7	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	9	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

Welcome!

*We are glad you are with us!
Before the service, speak to the Lord in prayer.
During the service, let the Lord speak to you.
After the service, speak to one another.*

Please take this pew sheet and the notice sheet home with you for your prayers in the week.

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THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

My eyes have seen the salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all people; a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.

Luke 2:30-32

HYMNS: 7.30 AND 9.00: AOV (BOOKS 1 AND 2) 131 (BK 1), 3 (BK 2), 12 (BK 1), 127 (BK 2)

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen.**

1ST READING: MALACHI 3.1-4

LINDA MITCHELL KEITH COLBERT

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

PSALM 24. (verses said alternately between the reader and congregation)

1. The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;
- 2. for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.**
3. Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?
- 4. Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.**

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PSALM 24. *(continued)*

5. They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation.
- 6. Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**
7. Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.
- 8. Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.**
9. Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.
- 10. Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.**

2ND READING: HEBREWS 2.14-18

VANESSA HANLON THERESE REIN

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

GOSPEL: LUKE 2. 22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

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GOSPEL: *(continued)*

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT OF A NEW PARISH PRIEST

The Parish Nominators, Allan Thomson, Dianne Coffey and Sarah Davies, are continuing the discernment process to identify and appoint a new Rector for our Parish. We are not permitted to discuss the progress of our investigations, or the names which we are considering but be assured that we are seeking a Rector who will be a good fit for our Parish; someone who will lead, nurture and grow our congregation and our mission. As you can see this may well be a lengthy process taking many months to find the right person for our Parish.

We welcome your suggestions of names, which we can consider, and ask for your prayers to uphold us in this vital search. Please pray the prayer in the Pew Bulletin as part of your daily prayers. In the meantime Father Lindsay Howie will be our locum and will perform the usual duties of our Rector but will not commence any major projects or initiatives. That will be part of the role of our future parish priest.

If you have any questions about the discernment and selection process please approach one of the Nominators. In the meantime, and during the process, please hold us, all the members of our Parish, and our locum Father Lindsay in your prayers.

Allan, Dianne and Sarah

Prayer for our New Rector

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word
and minister your sacraments;
an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to
fulfil our calling.

Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and
patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ⇒ **The Anglican Church of Burundi:** †Martin Blaise Nyaboho - Archbishop of Burundi & Bishop of Makamba
- ⇒ **The Diocese of Adelaide:** †Geoff Smith, †Timothy Harris, †Chris McLeod, †Denise Ferguson; Clergy & People

In The Diocese:

- ⇒ **The Parish of Gayndah:** Jeff Balnaves - Locum
- ⇒ **Office of Professional Standards:** Greg Milles and staff
- ⇒ **Anglican Church Grammar School, East Brisbane:** Headmaster – Alan Campbell; Chaplain – Bryan Gadd; Chair of School Council – Daniel O'Connor, members of School Council; staff & students

Locally. We pray for our Parish and its ministries to local people, especially today for our ministry to Regis Nursing home and its residents and staff.

Pray for The Sick: Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Roselee, Steph and Chris, Kerry, Gloria, Andrew, Joseph, Linda, Elizabeth, Bernie.

(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)

IN MEMORY, FEBRUARY 2– FEBRUARY 8

Mabel Smith, 1947

Reflections from Anglican Board of Missions

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple– Sunday 2 February 2020
Malachi 3.1-4; Psalm 24 or Psalm 84; Hebrews 2.14-18; Luke 2.22-40

Simeon and Anna yearned to see the Christ, and they lived to see the fulfilment of God's promise to send the Messiah. May we, like them, be faithful and pray patiently for God to show us the good things that he is doing in the world.

Give thanks for those who pray faithfully. Pray that you may be numbered among them
Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. May peace soon flourish in that country.

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MAHENO ROOM SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2020

(Following the 9:00am Service)

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of St John the Baptist Anglican Church Bulimba will be held on Sunday 23 February 2020 in the Church and following the 9:00am Family Service.

All positions are hereby declared vacant.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETS in the MAHENO ROOM on the First

Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm.

Those elected to Parish Council are expected to attend each Meeting.

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW CALLED FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

* PEOPLE'S CHURCHWARDEN (2)

A third Churchwarden is appointed by the Rector.

* PARISH COUNCILLOR

If you would like to nominate for one of the above positions please complete a NOMINATION FORM (found at the back of the Church) and return to the CHURCH OFFICE before 16th FEBRUARY.

ALL THOSE NOMINATING MUST BE ON THE PARISH ROLL.

If you are not on the Parish Roll and would like to nominate someone or vote at the AGM, forms for Membership of the Parish are available from the table at the rear of the Church or from the Parish Office. You can also register on the website (stjohnsbulimba.org under Worship, Newcomers).

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Blank Offertory Envelopes have been received and are under the small table at the back of the church.

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 18th March, at 9.30am. A delicious morning tea is served.

St. John's Guild:

The Guild will hold their AGM on Wednesday 5th February commencing at 10.00am in the Maheno Room. This will be followed by a General Meeting. There is no Hoy on this day. Hoy will commence on Tuesday 11th February at 10.00am

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

Next stall is on Sunday 28th March which will be Election Day. The people manning the stall have noticed that jams, slices and small cakes sell well. Thanks to those who faithfully bring donations of cakes, or who help to run the stall. We always need more volunteers. We will be running a sausage sizzle and a mega cake stall so start cooking and freezing! A roster for both will be issued at the end of February.

Mah-jong Group:

The Mah-jong Group meets Thursday morning from 9.30am—12.30pm in the Hall or Church. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us. Tea and coffee is supplied. Mah-jong restarts on Thursday 6th February.

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. Contact Caroline Daunton via the Parish Office if your teenager is interested in joining this small and friendly group

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Sunday 9 February 2020

Isaiah 58.1-9a (9b-12)

Psalm 112

1 Corinthians 2.1-13 (14-16)

Matthew 5.13-20

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.S	Peter Johnston Margaret Salter	Roland Sowerby Sarah Davies
READERS	Peter Johnston June Parker	Kate Down David Down
INTERCESSORS	Peter Johnston	Keith Colbert
DOOR	Lionel Rowe Susan Rowe	Lisa Hooper Alex Russell
TEA / COFFEE	Bob Lee Glenda Lee	Romani Family
FLOWERS	Caroline	

WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us in our worship today.

We are happy to join with you in fellowship. If you are here for the first time, or would like to be more involved in our parish please make yourself known to one of the welcomers, or clergy.

You can also complete one of the green cards on the table near the main door, to give us your contact details if you would like a call, or to be on our parish contact list.

You can put the card in the collection plate or hand it to a welcomer.
We hope you will join us for coffee after the service.

The green cards can also be used for updating your contact details if you are already a part of our parish.

Don't forget to register your vehicle to be exempt as a Parishioner to park in the car park or you will receive a fine.