

## Nativity Set Blessing

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 and 9 am

We want to bless your Nativity set. Many of us set up a small nativity scene in our own homes. Some are much loved family heirlooms, creations from kids we love or a gift from someone special. No matter what its origins, how about bringing it to church and we will admire them, bless them and send them home to radiate the message of the Incarnation.



20th November 2022

THE REIGN OF CHRIST

7.30 AM PARISH EUCHARIST

9.00 AM FAMILY EUCHARIST

ST JOHN  
THE BAPTIST

EST. 1888  
ANGLICAN CHURCH  
IN THE HEART OF BULIMBA

### CHRIST THE KING?

Come worship your king  
this peasant-child thing  
asleep in cradle of straw.  
Come pay your respects  
and have no regrets  
if you step in cow-poo at the door.

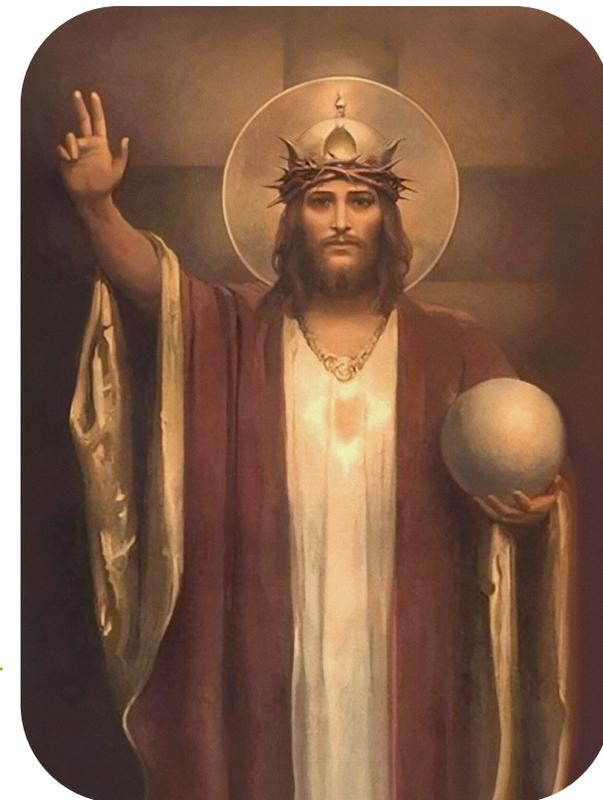
Come worship your king  
this carpenter thing  
who works timber as smooth as a  
glove.  
Come see what entails  
when hammer and nails  
are used in the service of love.

Come worship your king,  
this vagabond thing  
who preaches of sheep and fig trees.  
Come touch with your hands  
his garment's frayed bands  
and find you are healed from dis-ease.

Come worship your king  
this crucified thing  
who hangs where the guilty belong.  
Come stand here in awe  
and forever adore  
the love that will last all life long.

Come worship your king  
this arisen Thing  
who serves breakfast to friends by the sea.  
Come share in this meal  
and know it's for real  
that he still dines with you and with me.

*B. D. Prewer 2006 and 2012*



Light up Oxford Street

COMMUNITY CAROLS

SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2022

6.00 pm Carols at Bulimba Uniting Church

6.30pm Lighting of the Church

7.00pm Carols at St John's Anglican Church and  
lighting of the nativity

### Children's Church Sunday 9am

This Sunday in church we will be talking  
about Jesus as our King... but not as a  
Disney King with gold, jewels and a big  
castle but as a King who serves and cares  
for everybody like a servant.



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**THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH**

|               |      |   |   |
|---------------|------|---|---|
| <b>FRIDAY</b> | 25th | 10.00am   | Eucharist   |
| <b>SUNDAY</b> | 27th | 7.30am<br>9.00am<br><br><b>9.00am-noon</b><br>6pm | Eucharist<br>Eucharist & Children's<br>Church<br><b>Christmas Cake Stall</b><br>Light up Oxford St Carols |

| <b>ROSTERED DUTIES 27/11</b> | <b>7.30AM</b>        | <b>9.00AM</b>                    |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>L.A.'s</b>                | Roslyn & Felicity    | Roland & Charmaine               |
| <b>MUSIC</b>                 | Wendy                | Wendy                            |
| <b>READERS</b>               | Roslyn/Margaret      | Charmaine/James                  |
| <b>INTERCESSOR</b>           | Tony                 | Roland                           |
| <b>MORNING TEA</b>           | Caroline             |                                  |
| <b>WELCOMERS</b>             | Allan/Sue G          | Michael S                        |
| <b>AUDIOVISUAL</b>           | TBC                  | TBC                              |
| <b>FLOWERS</b>               | No Flowers in Advent | <b>CHURCH CLEANING</b> Sue & Kym |

**COVID: MASKS ARE OPTIONAL. PLEASE OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING,  
CONTINUE HAND SANITISING AND MINIMISE ANY PERSONAL CONTACT.**

**Priest-in-Charge**

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**READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR FEAST OF THE REIGN OF CHRIST**

**SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on  
a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. *Zechariah 9.9*

**THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:**

Eternal God, you exalted Jesus Christ to rule over all things, and have made us  
instruments of his kingdom: by your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, and to  
minister to all in need, then at the last bring us to your eternal realm where we  
may be welcomed into your everlasting joy and may worship and adore you for  
ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of  
the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 23.1-6** LINDA MITCHELL ROLAND SOWERBY

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!  
says the Lord . Therefore, thus says the Lord , the God of Israel, concerning  
the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my  
flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I  
will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord . Then I myself will  
gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven  
them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and  
multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and  
they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says  
the Lord . The days are surely coming, says the Lord , when I will raise up for  
David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and  
shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be  
saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be  
called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

**PSALM 46:**

1. God is our refuge and strength:  
a very present help in trouble.  
**2. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved;  
and though the mountains are shaken in the midst of the sea;**
3. Though the waters rage and foam:  
and though the mountains quake at the rising of the sea.  
**4. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God:  
the holy dwelling-place of the Most High.**
5. God is in the midst of her, therefore she shall not be moved:  
God will help her, and at break of day.

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**6. The nations make uproar, and the kingdoms are shaken:  
but God has lifted his voice, and the earth shall tremble.**

7. The Lord of hosts is with us:  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**8. Come then and see what the Lord has done:  
what destruction he has brought upon the earth.**

9. He makes wars to cease in all the world:  
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, and burns the chariots in the fire.

**10. 'Be still, and know that I am God:  
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted upon the earth.'**

11. The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1.11-20**

JUNE PARKER SARAH DAVIES

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

**GOSPEL: Luke 23.33-43**

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.' **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## Parish Prayers

### The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

#### In The World: -

- ◇ Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
- ◇ The Diocese of Perth

#### In The Diocese:

- ◇ The Parish of St Bartholomew's, Toowoomba
- ◇ Queensland Churches Together
- ◇ West Moreton Anglican College, Karrabin: families, staff & students

#### Locally:

We pray for...

- ◇ The members of the St John's Guild. We give thanks for their joyful gathering and faithful service. We ask blessings on their ministries of hospitality and welcome.
- ◇ The Bulimba Community Centre. We hold before God the administration team and those who co-ordinate or lead programs and events. May they continue to be a resource that builds community in Bulimba and beyond.

#### Pray for those in need:

Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Gloria, Kerry, Joseph, Douglas, Nancy, Peter, Graham and Pat, Helena, Daniel, Michael, Ruth, Williamson Family, Rev Helen Phillips, Roy, Vince

Pray for our sister, Gloria Corone, who died this week, for her family and friends attending the funeral on Monday.

To Jesus Christ our Sovereign King  
who is the world's salvation,  
All praise and homage do we bring  
with thanks and adoration.

Your reign extend O King benign,  
to every land and nation;  
For in your kingdom Lord divine  
Alone do we find salvation.

To you and to your Church,  
great King

We pledge our heart's oblation;  
Until before your throne we sing  
In endless jubilation.

Christ Jesus, Victor!

Christ Jesus, Ruler!

Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!

### In Memory

November 21st—November 27th

*Kenneth William Charles Walsh (2004)*

*Harold Arthur Penny (1988)*

## Parish Christmas Lunch

Sunday December 11th @11.30am

Join us for a relaxed bring and share

Christmas lunch in the Maheno Room.

Let's enjoy community, celebrate all that has been this year, raise a glass to the efforts of many and get in the festive spirit for the birth of Jesus.



## November Christmas Cake Stall, Christmas Up Late Stall and Monster Christmas Hamper Raffle.

Sunday the 27th November is the last Cake Stall for the year and the launch of our luxury treats Christmas Hamper raffle. This will be followed by a stall, sausage sizzle and sale of raffle tickets at the Christmas Up Late event on the 2nd December.

**Raffle Goods needed** The raffle hampers last year were truly magnificent. We hope to match them this year... we need donations of bottles of wine, Christmas treats, things you'd like to have if you won the hamper. These can be brought to church next week or dropped into the office on Wednesday or Friday mornings.

**Your donations are appreciated very much and help raise funds for our ministry to each other and to the people outside our doors.**



## Advent and Christmas Preparation

### Lights and Church Preparation Working Bee Saturday 26th November starting 8am

This was a great experience last year of working together and making our space and place look festive, welcoming and bright. We would love your help for whatever time you have either on the day or beforehand. A cuppa and a Tim Tam too?



### CHRISTMAS UP LATE Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 5-8pm

This event is organised by the Oxford Street Business Association, who have booked the Maheno Room for Christmas photos with Saint Nicholas (Ok... Santa).



We want to capitalize on the heavy foot traffic past our door with some fundraising of our own... the Christmas Raffle, a biscuit and craft stall, a sausage sizzle and Christmas organ music... Thank you for those who have volunteered to help make this happen .

### ADVENT GROUP OFFERINGS

#### Advent Reflections

#### Wednesday Mornings

30th November, 7th, 14th,  
21st December

10am in St John's

#### Wednesday Evenings

30th November, 7th, 14th,  
21st December

7pm in St John's

#### Advent Quiet Morning

Saturday 10th December 9am—12pm Maheno Room and St John's

## Angels Among Us



"Do not be afraid." — The Angels

**Theme:** The angels that appear in the story of Jesus' birth would have been very comfortable in our world of tweets and hashtags. Their messages were often short and to the point — their favorite line being #DoNotBeAfraid. As we look at the stories of these winged messengers to Zechariah, Mary, Joseph, and the Shepherds and their reactions to them, we will contemplate what messages we can offer that will counteract a culture of fear and bring #morehope, #morepeace, #morejoy, and #morelove to the world.