

24 FEBRUARY 2019 - TODAY'S SERVICES

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

7.30AM— SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

# ST JOHN

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## ANGLICAN CHURCH

### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

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| <b>THURSDAY</b> | 28 | 9.30am           | Mahjong—Church   |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>   | 1  | 10.00am          | World Day of Prayer Service<br>Followed by Morning Tea in the<br>Maheno Room |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>   | 3  | 7.30am<br>9.00am | Sung Eucharist<br>Family Eucharist   |

### 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.

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## THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

### SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

Love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. You will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. *Luke 6.35*

**HYMNS: MP:** 212, 463, 302, 760.

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

God of compassion, keep before us the love you have revealed in your Son, who prayed even for his enemies. In our words and deeds help us to be like him, through whom we pray, Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**

### 1ST READING: GENESIS 45.3-11, 15

DON HANN JUDITH HANCOCK

Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

**PSALM 37.1-11, 40-41:** (verses will be said alternately with the reader and the congregation)

1. Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers,
- 2. for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb.**
3. Trust in the Lord, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.
- 4. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.**
5. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.
- 6. He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday.**
7. Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.
- 8. Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil.**
9. For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.
- 10. Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look diligently for their place, they will not be there.**
11. But the meek shall inherit the land, and delight in abundant prosperity.
- 40. The Lord helps them and rescues them; he rescues them from the wicked, and saves them, because they take refuge in him.**

**2ND READING: 1 Corinthians 15.35-50**

MARGARET SALTER SARAH DAVIES

But someone will ask, 'How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?' Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. Not all flesh is alike, but there is one flesh for human beings, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are both heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is one thing, and that of the earthly is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; indeed, star differs from star in glory. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, 'The first man, Adam, became a living being'; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven.

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## **SECOND READING: (continued)**

As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

## **GOSPEL: LUKE 6.27-38**

Jesus said, 'I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. 'If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. 'Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.'

### **Thank You**

Sue and Lionel would like to thank Father John, the Wardens, Parish Council and all our Parish Family at St. John's Bulimba for the wonderful morning tea, gift and good wishes received last Sunday. We are not leaving St. John's Bulimba but will be in the near future relocating to a Retirement Village. Not sure where yet but will still be worshipping at St. John's Bulimba.

### **Rector's Report**

Copies of the Rector's Report are available at the back of the Church. Please take one home to read it contains some important information about our Parish.

## Parish Prayers

### The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

#### In The World: -

- ⇒ **The Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America:** †Julio Murray Thompson Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Panama
- ⇒ **The Diocese of Tasmania:** †Richard Condie; Assistant Bishop †Chris Jones; Clergy and People

#### In The Diocese:

- ⇒ **The Parish of St Lucia:** Michael Faragher, David Johnstone, Karol Misso, Hugh Begbie, Bill Crossman, Tom Van Den Bos
- ⇒ **Household of Deacons**
- ⇒ **Anglican Schools Australia Management Committee and Member Schools:** President - Peter Laurence

**Locally:** For all newly appointed to Parish Council.

**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)*

### Palm Crosses for Ash Wednesday

**If you would like to bring a palm cross to be burnt for ashes on Ash Wednesday, please place it in the collection plate on Sunday 3rd March**

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany – Sunday 24 February 2019

Genesis 45.3-11, 15; Psalm 37.1-11, 40-41; 1 Corinthians 15.35-50; Luke 6.27-38



Jesus says to us today: If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. As Christians we are called by Jesus to show God's love to others. But how? Jesus tells us: Love your enemies. Do good. Lend, expecting nothing in return. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge. Do not condemn. Forgive. Give. Today is a good day to make a start.

Pray that each of us today might pick one of Jesus' commands and begin to incorporate it into our lives, allowing God to shine through us to others.

Give thanks for Wontulp-Bi-Buya College in Cairns, giving thanks for the educational programs provided to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Text: The Rev Will Johnston,

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## **24th February 2019 News & Coming Events for your Diary**

- \* Thursday 28 February: 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- \* Friday 1 March: 10.00am—World Day of Prayer Service— followed by Morning Tea in the Maheno Room
- \* Sunday 3 March : 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- \* Sunday 3 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, 21 April , 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.

### **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 is 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.

*If you have read this notice please email the Parish Office or let Sarah know.*

## NEXT WEEKS READINGS

### The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

#### Transfiguration

Sunday 3 March 2019

Exodus 34.29-35

Psalm 99

2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2

Luke 9.28-36 (37-43)

| <b>ROSTERED DUTIES</b>    | <b>7.30AM</b>                    | <b>9.00AM</b>                    |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>L.A.'S</b>             | Volunteer<br>Margaret Salter     | Howard Greaver<br>Roland Sowerby |
| <b>READERS</b>            | Sue Rowe<br>Peter Johnston       | Joanne Wood<br>Laura Bentley     |
| <b>DOOR</b>               | Dorothy Cameron<br>Lionel Rowe   | Roy Family                       |
| <b>TEA / COFFEE</b>       | Chris Bevan<br>Ann Winfield      | Jenny Franklin<br>Anne Martinez  |
| <b>OFFERTORY COUNTERS</b> | Vanessa Hanlon<br>Margaret Clark |                                  |
| <b>FLOWERS</b>            | Sara Henalla                     |                                  |