

24 NOVEMBER 2019 - TODAY'S SERVICES

CHRIST THE KING

7.30AM— SUNG

EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST



# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

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## ANGLICAN CHURCH

<b>THURSDAY</b>	28	9.30am	Mahjong-Church
<b>FRIDAY</b>	29	10.00am	Eucharist
<b>SUNDAY</b>	1	7.30am 9.00am 2.00 pm	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist Christmas Craft Fair

**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:

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*

**HYMNS: 7.30 :TIS: 275, 344, 237, 52.**

### 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.**

**1ST READING: JEREMIAH 23.1-6**

DON HANN      SARAH DAVIES

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:** (said alternately between reader and congregation)

1. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- 2. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**
3. though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- 4. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**
5. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.
- 6. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**
7. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- 8. Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.**
9. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.
- 10. 'Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.'**
11. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

**2ND READING: COLOSSIANS 1.11-20**

LINDA MITCHELL    MICHAEL SMIT

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.**

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.'

### **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 Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury):** †Timothy Thornton  
- Bishop to the Forces and Bishop to the Falkland Islands
- ⇒ **The Diocese of Tasmania:** †Richard Condie; Assistant Bishop †Chris Jones;  
Clergy and People

#### In The Diocese:

- ⇒ **The Parish of Stafford:** Kevin Bourke, Lee Gauld, Leisha Rule, Keith Foote,  
Heather Toon
- ⇒ **Anglicare SQ The Glebe retirement village (Toowoomba)**
- ⇒ **Anglican Schools Australia Management Committee and Member  
Schools:** President – Peter Laurence

**Locally.** We pray for Reid Kent, being baptised here today; for his family and friends and for his lifelong growth in faith.

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

*(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, NOVEMBER 24– NOVEMBER 30

**Kenneth Walsh, 2004; Harold Penny, 1988**

**Hon. Ben Humphreys, AM, former Federal Member for Griffith 1977-1996**

#### Reflections from Anglican Board of Missions

– Sunday 24 November 2019– Christ the King

Jeremiah 23.1-6; A Song of Zechariah (APBA pp 10, 425)  
or Psalm 46; Colossians 1.11-20; Luke 23.33-43



Today we see what Jesus' kingship is about, and it's quite the opposite of the sort of monarchy that we might see, say, in the Downton Abbey film: Fulfilled is now what David told / in true prophetic song of old, / how God the nations' King should be; / for God is reigning from the Tree. Jesus our King has given up his life so that we might win eternal life with him. Pray that Jesus may be king of your heart.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.



*St. John's Bulimba*

## Christmas Craft Fair

**Sunday 1st December 2-6pm**

Ideal place to buy some unique Christmas gifts

**HOMEMADE CAKE    LOTS OF LOVELY CRAFTS    GINGERBREAD**

### *Carols on the Church lawn*

*Sunday 8th December*

*Starting at 6.30pm*

### **CHRISTMAS JANUARY SERVICES**

#### ***December 24th Christmas Eve***

**6.00pm**—Christingle Service, a very special way to celebrate the coming of Jesus. Very family orientated. (the children love it.)

**11.30pm**—Mid-night Eucharist

#### ***December 25th Christmas Day***

**7.30am**—Sung Eucharist

**9.00am**—Family Eucharist

#### ***December 29th***

**8.30am**— Combined Parish Eucharist

#### ***January 5th***

**8.30am**— Combined Parish Eucharist

***No Friday Eucharist on 27th December or 3rd January***

#### ***January 12th***

**7.30am** – Sung Eucharist

**9.00am** –Family Eucharist

## 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. This group will be in recess until March 2020, and will meet again on 18th March 2020. This week 10 rugs were delivered to the Mater Oncology unit.

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

The Guild Christmas Lunch is on December 3rd in the Maheno Room. More information later.

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

Next stall is on Sunday 1st December, in the morning and in conjunction with the Christmas Craft Fair This will be our Christmas Cake Stall so donations of Christmas goodies such as small Christmas Cakes, Christmas puddings, mince pies, jams and sweets are popular.

We will also be taking orders for cakes, puddings etc from the congregation so please contact the Parish Office if you would like to reserve an item.

### **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.

### **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 Project*

*Teen Church is having a stall at the Craft Fair on 1 December to raise money for their project building houses in the Philippines. Several members of the Teen Church group will be going to the Philippines in January to work on building several houses for a small rural community.*

*They are raising money by making sweet jewellery and are asking for donations of small wrapped sweets (lollies) to make necklaces with. Can you bring any wrapped lollies to church next Sunday (24th November) so they can complete their project by 1st December.*

*All donations will be very gratefully received.*

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

### THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday 1 December 2019

Isaiah 2.1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13:9-14

Matthew 24.36-44

<b>ROSTERED DUTIES</b>	<b>7.30AM</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>
<b>L.A.S</b>	Margaret Salter Volunteer	Howard Greaver Roland Sowerby
<b>READERS</b>	Allan Thomson Vanessa Hanlon	Roland Sowerby Tony Rigby
<b>INTERCESSORS</b>	June Parker	Michael Smit
<b>DOOR</b>	Lionel Rowe Volunteer	Roy Family
<b>TEA / COFFEE</b>	Chris Bevan Ann Winfield	Anne Martinez Jenny Franklin
<b>FLOWERS</b>	No flowers in Advent	

### **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.**