

29 SEPTEMBER 2019 - TODAY'S SERVICES

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

7.30AM— SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

TUESDAY	1	7.30pm	Parish Council—Church
THURSDAY	3	9.30am	Mahjong—Church
FRIDAY	4	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	6	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:

Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. *James 5.16*

HYMNS: 7.30 MP. 212, 935, 396, 129.
9.00 OV1. 71, 153, 6, 47

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

O God, from whom light rises in darkness for those who seek you: grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you would have us do, that in your light we may see light, and in your narrow path may not stumble; 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.**

COLLECT FOR ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

1ST READING: AMOS 6. 4-7

LINDA MITCHELL SARAH DAVIES

Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall;
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music;
who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

PSALM 91: 1-6, 14-16. (said alternately between reader and congregation)

1. You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
- 2. will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.'**
3. For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence;
- 4. he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.**
5. You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day,
- 6. or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday.**

14. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.
- 15. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them.**

16. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

2ND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 6. 6-19

VANESSA HANLON MICHAEL SMIT

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

GOSPEL: LUKE 16.19-31

Jesus said to the disciples, ‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.” ’

SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT OF A NEW PARISH PRIEST

Since the departure of our Rector, Fr John Milburn, many of you will be wondering how the Parish will go about selecting a new Parish Priest for St John’s. Our three Nominators; Allan Thomson (Warden), Dianne Coffey (Warden) and Sarah Davies; were elected at the AGM to be the parishioners who would be responsible for the selection of a new Parish Priest on behalf of the parish. Their work has begun. Please see the information leaflet which will explain the process of discernment, discussion and finally appointment of a parish priest .

As you can see this may well be a lengthy process taking many months to find the right person for our Parish.

The nominators are not permitted to discuss any part of their search, whether it be names or other details of possible candidates.

We welcome your suggestions of names, which we can pass on and 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, a “locum” or temporary parish priest has been appointed, Father Lindsay Howie, who will conduct the regular Friday and Sunday services as usual. He 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 (Allan, Dianne and Sarah). 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

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

⇒ **Pray for the Episcopal Church:** †Michael Curry - Presiding Bishop of TEC

In The Diocese:

⇒ **The Parish of Hendra-Clayfield:** Iain Moore

⇒ **Anglicare SQ Mission**

Locally. For those fearful in their own homes, lacking security and peace.

Pray for The Sick: Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Roselee, Steph and Chris, Dawn, 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, SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 6

ALF SMITHERS, 2003; CECIL MASON, 1977; AMANDA ROWE, 1992;

JENNIFER HAY, 1983; WALTER FINDLAY, 1982.

National Police Remembrance Day (NPRD)

The Archangel Michael is the patron Saint of the Police Services in Australia and on the closest Friday to September 29, members of the National Police Service and the wider community pause to remember the police officers who have lost their lives serving the public and those officers who have died both on duty and off duty under other circumstances.

National Police Remembrance Day also recognizes the unique nature of policing and the dangers that police face daily in their pursuit of serving and protecting our community.



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.

SOCIAL CLUB—GIN APPRECIATION EVENING

Our next Social Club event will be our Gin Appreciation evening on Friday 18th October, at 7.30 pm in the Maheno Room. Tickets will be on sale shortly and will be \$10 each. See Ann at the 7.30 service and Dianne or Sarah at the 9.00am service.

As last year, we ask you to bring a bottle of your own favourite gin and we will provide mixers, garnishes and ice, and some snacks and nibbles. Peter Johnston, who is a master of spirit appreciation and a fount of knowledge, will talk to us about the characteristics, history and mysteries of gin. Last year we had a very entertaining evening and we will have as much fun this time. This is a great chance to taste many different gins.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE, OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Many of you faithfully pack a shoebox for children overseas as part of Operation Christmas Child. Shoeboxes are collected in October, and Samaritan's Purse co-ordinates their delivery at Christmas to children in developing countries who would otherwise not hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

We are collecting shoeboxes, and items to go in them, at the back of the church to take to collections centre. If you cannot fill a box please donate suitable items to go in a box. Suitable things to go in a box are something to wear, something to love (soft toy etc), something for school (pencil case with pencils, crayons, sharpener etc), a toy or game to play with; hygiene items such as toothbrushes and comb, and something special (stickers, sunglasses, hair clips). Please do not include anything war or violence related, any food items such as sweets, anything breakable or anything which might leak such as toothpaste. Please go to the website to register and pay for your box delivery (\$10 per box) and to print labels for boy/girl and age group.

Pew Reflections from Anglican Board of Missions



Sunday 29 September 2019– Pentecost 16

Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16; either 1 Timothy 6.6-19 or 1 Timothy 4.12 – 5.8; Luke 16.19-31

'The Church is always talking about money!' So is the Bible! Jeremiah does a real estate deal, confident in the long term future of the market even though it'll hit rock bottom in the meantime with Jerusalem under siege. His motive is not 'love of money' but a prophetic action conveying God's message that, though the people will be taken into exile, their descendants will eventually return after many years. Paul counsels against focussing one's life on making money, and Jesus warns those who do have assets against ignoring the needs of the disadvantaged. Last Sunday's message about 'true riches' is reinforced.

Give thanks to God who 'richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment', and pray that you may 'be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share' so that you 'may take hold of the life that really is life'.

Give thanks for all who donate to ABM to help us spread the Gospel of love, hope and justice.

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 16th October, at 9.30am. A delicious morning tea is served.

19 rugs and 1 shawl were recently donated to the Oncology Unit of the Mater Hospital.

St. John's Guild:

The next meeting of the Guild will be Tuesday 8th October 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 morning of fun and fellowship please join these friendly ladies.

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

A big thank you to all who contributed to our cake stall last Sunday. It raised \$755.45 which goes to making up the shortfall in our givings. Next stall is on Sunday 27th October.

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:

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

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 6 OCTOBER 2019

Lamentations 1.1-6

Psalm 37. 1-9

2 Timothy 1. 1-14

Luke 17. (1-4) 5-10

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.S	Susan Rowe Volunteer	Howard Greaver Roland Sowerby
READERS	Allan Thomson Ann Winfield	Tony Rigby Roland Sowerby
INTERCESSORS	Roslyn Thomson	Sarah Davies
DOOR	Lionel Rowe Volunteer	The Roy Family
TEA / COFFEE	Chris Bevan Ann Winfield	Anne Martinez Jenny Franklin
FLOWERS	Sara	

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.