

5 AUGUST 2018 - TODAY'S SERVICES

ST JOHN

THE BAPTIST

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY	7	7.30pm	Parish Council—Maheno Room
THURSDAY	9	9.30am	Mah-jong—Church
FRIDAY	10	10.00am 7.30pm	Eucharist Whisky Appreciation Night - Maheno Room
SUNDAY	12	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

***When the bell rings before a service -
please pause in silence to say this prayer in your heart:***

Grant, O Lord, that this bell may sound the good news of your salvation; may its ringing summon the faithful to worship, and stir all who hear it to love and serve you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. *Isiah 55.2*

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- **TIS:** 658, 514, 609, 112.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Living God, whose Son Jesus fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom.: Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us with your true and living bread, Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1ST READING: 2 SAMUEL 11. 26-12.13A

DON HANN JUDITH HANCOCK

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.' Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.' Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. *(continued over page)*

1ST READING: *(continued)*

Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.' David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the Lord.' Nathan said to David, 'Now the Lord has put away your sin; you shall not die.

PSALM 51. 1-12: *(verses said alternately between reader and congregation)*

1. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**
3. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
- 4. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgement.**
5. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.
- 6. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**
7. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**
9. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.**
11. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.
- 12. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

2ND READING: EPHESIANS 4.1-16

LINDA MITCHELL BRIAN ROY

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.'

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2ND READING: *(continued)*

(When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

GOSPEL: JOHN 6. 24-35

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ⇒ **The Scottish Episcopal Church**, †Mark Strange Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church & Bishop of Moray, Ross & Caithness
- ⇒ **The Diocese of Ballarat**: †Garry Weatherill; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ⇒ **The Parish of Fortitude Valley**: Steven Ogden
- ⇒ **Anglicare SQ The Glebe retirement village**
- ⇒ **Coomera Anglican College**: Principal - Mark Sly; Chaplain - Mary-Anne Rulfs; Chair of School Council - Stephen Knott; members of College Council; staff and students

Locally: For all caring for the sick.

Pray for The Sick: Joel, Valmai, Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Steph, Kerrie, John, Roselee, Esther, Linda, Drew, Kerry, Helena, Audrey, Dawn, Kirby Family, Chris, Stephanie, Andrew.

(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)



The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday 5 August 2018

2 Samuel 11.26 – 12.13a; Psalm 51.1-12; Ephesians 4.1-16 John 6.24-35

Today's psalm is one of contrition and is said to have been written by King David to express his repentance over having behaved so wickedly concerning Uriah the Hittite and his wife, Bathsheba. May we also repent when we have done what is iniquitous in God's eyes.

Pray for those who find themselves being victimised by the authorities in their own countries.

Pray for the Church of Ceylon, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

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5th August 2018 News & Coming Events for your Diary

- * Tuesday 7 August: 7.30pm—Parish Council—Maheno Room
- * Thursday 9 August: 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- * Friday 10 August: 10.00am—Eucharist
- * Friday 10 August: 7.30pm—Whisky appreciation Night—Maheno Room
- * Sunday 12 August : 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- * Sunday 12 August: 9.00am—Family Eucharist

Whisky Appreciation Night

Following on the great success of the Gin Appreciation Night, we (the Social Committee) are running a Whisky Appreciation Night on **Friday 10th August**. It will start at 7.30 pm and be held in the Maheno Room. The cost will be \$10 per person and **tickets are available from Dianne Coffey at the 9.00 am service and Ann Winfield at the 7.30 am service**. If you cannot purchase a ticket in advance, please contact the Parish Office by Wednesday 8th August to advise your attendance so that we can cater for you, and pay on the night.

We are asking everyone to bring a bottle of their favourite whisky (it can be an open bottle, preferably single malt) and we will provide ice, soda, and water for those whose prefer to mix their whisky, and some snacks. Peter Johnston will talk to us about whisky; its manufacture, characteristics and how to taste it. As last time we will be tasting only, we do not expect it to be a boozy evening!

There will be some soft drinks for designated drivers. Please let Dianne, Ann or Sarah know if you would like a lift to and/or from the evening.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next social event; we expect it will be a lot of fun.

Bridge to Brisbane 26th August 2018

Tony Newton and Stuart Winfield are intending to do the 5km section of the event, and they invite sponsorship for

"Father John's Malteser Fund". (Any funds raised to be placed by Fr John for the benefit of our church).

Sponsor forms are at the rear of the church, and monies should be given to Allan (Treasurer), Sue (Church Secretary), Tony or Stuart on completion of the event.

Footnote:- The current world market price of a Malteser is 4.5cents.

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 15th August, at 9.30am. A lovely morning tea is served.

St. John's Guild:

The next meeting of the Guild will be Tuesday 14th August in the Maheno Room, starting at 8.50am for the Guild Meeting followed at 10.00am for Hoy. A lovely morning tea is served during the playing of 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.

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

Next stall is on Sunday 26th August. The people manning the stall have noticed that large cakes such as fruit cakes are not easy to sell, so perhaps if you are one of the fine cooks who make these larger fruit cakes, you may consider making smaller ones which seem to be in demand and sell much better. Thanks.

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.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday 12 August 2018

2 Samuel 18.5-9, 14, 31-33

Psalm 130

Ephesians 4.25 – 5.2

John 6.35, 41-51

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'S	Peter Johnson Susan Rowe	Roland Sowerby Sarah Davies
READERS	Vanessa Hanlon Roslyn Thomson	Kate Down David Down
DOOR	Lionel Rowe Margaret Salter	Bob Lee Glenda Lee
MORNING TEA	Roslyn Thomson Allan Thomson	Romani family
OFFERTORY COUNTERS	June Parker Pam Ganly	

FLOWERS	Caroline
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Weekly Giving : Budget \$1975/Week;

Last Week \$ 1565.00

Yearly shortfall \$ 21,359.35