

HOW YOU CAN HELP US. Are you able to help clean our church?

At present, we have 3 teams of 2 people and would greatly appreciate at least another team joining the roster. It usually only takes about 90 minutes maximum. If we have four teams, each team will only be rostered on once every 8 weeks. Cleaning usually occurs on a Saturday, but can be done Friday afternoon after the 10am service. If you can help, please contact Sarah Davies, our Parish Secretary (33991508) or Sue Garrett (0411237064)

GOODNA FLOOD APPEAL

To help our friends at the Goodna Welfare Ministry support flood affected families, we are collecting money and gift cards. Phone cards, grocery cards and petrol cards of all denominations please. There will be a bucket for donations in church.



Culture Vultures and Hospitality Helpers... Concert Organising Group

We'd like to get a Concert of Sacred Music for the Easter Season organised for some time in early May. The first step is to gather an organising group to toss around possibilities and get it happening.

To volunteer or get a bit more information have a chat with Howard Greaver or send him an email hgreaver@hotmail.com

Children's Church

Every Sunday at 9am term time.

In church this week its all about Temptation... how to say no when it would be so easy to say yes to something that is not good for you or for others.

If you'd like a yarn about kids and church you can contact Kate Down on kate.down@mail.com or call 0414689669

6 March 2022

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

7.30AM—EUCCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCCHARIST

ST JOHN
THE BAPTIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

IN THE HEART OF BULIMBA

TRUE BREAD (Luke 4: 1-13)

We, with our stomachs so full of stone
dug from the deserts of apathy and dread,
our souls shrinking down toward skin and bone,

often miss much of that which is bread,
the things that would tell us that life is more
than what can be written in black or red

on a balance sheet. While we're keeping score
of wealth won and lost – and fixing our eyes
on this world's thrones, wishing for ever more

power or approval – to our surprise
sometimes, the richest blessings may be found
in service, in giving, in sacrifice.

The world's high pinnacles provide poor ground
for standing – grand is the view, great is the fall
but God's love, not needing such testing, surrounds,

nourishes, guides us into a higher call:
to serve others and not only self. This
the true wealth, bliss, bread: love. For all, is all.

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OUR SERVICE

THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH			
TUESDAY	8	8.45am 10.00am	Guild Meeting Hoy
WEDNESDAY	9	10.00am 7.00pm	Stations of the Cross Lent Groups 7.00pm via Zoom
FRIDAY	11	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	13	7.30am 9.00am	Eucharist Family Eucharist
ROSTERED DUTIES 13/3		7.30 AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s		Vanessa & Robert	Roland
READER		Linda	Donovan
INTERCESSOR		Linda	Charmaine
MORNING TEA			Andrea
COVID WARDEN		Allan	Lisa
IT MANAGER			
FLOWERS		No flowers in Lent	
CHURCH CLEANING		Wendy & Sara	

COVID: MASKS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED. PLEASE OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING, HAND SANITISATION AND MINIMISE ANY PERSONAL CONTACT.

Priest-in-Charge

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SENTENCE FOR THE DAY.

Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him. *Luke 4.8*

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

O saving God, who led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land: so guide us that, following our Saviour, we may walk through the wilderness of this world and be brought to the glory of the world which is to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: DEUTERONOMY 26.1-11

PSALM 91.1-2, 91.9-16

1. Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High:
who abide under the shadow of the Almighty,
- 2. They will say to the Lord 'You are my refuge and my stronghold:
my God in whom I trust.'**
9. The Lord himself is your refuge:
you have made the Most High your stronghold.
- 10. Therefore no harm will befall you:
nor will any scourge come near your tent.**
11. For he will command his angels:
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12. They will bear you up in their hands:
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**
13. You will tread on the lion and the adder:
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
- 14. 'You have set your love upon me,' says the Lord, 'and therefore I
will deliver you: I will lift you out of danger, because you have
known my name.**
15. 'When you call upon me I will answer you:
I will be with you in trouble, I will rescue you and bring you to honour.
- 16. 'With long life I will satisfy you:
and fill you with my salvation.'**

For Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" ' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?" ' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Gospel: Luke 4.1-15

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.'

Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." ' Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." ' Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." ' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." ' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time. Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

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For the Gospel of the Lord, praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ◇ The Church of Korea
- ◇ The Diocese of Bendigo: †Matt Brain; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ◇ The Parish of Yeronga: Rebecca King
- ◇ Princess Alexandra Hospital and Mater Hospital chaplaincy: Cheryl Selvage, Joanne McDiarmid and volunteers
- ◇ Fraser Coast Anglican College, Hervey Bay: Principal - Joe Wright; Chaplain - Jeff Jarvis; Chair of College Council - Kirsti Kee; members of College Council; staff & students

Locally: We pray for...

- ◇ Our leaders and helpers at our Children's and Family's Ministry. May they continue to share the love of God to our young people with their creativity and warm welcome.
- ◇ The Scripture Union Chaplains at Bulimba State School and Balmoral High School, giving thanks for their supportive presence and witness to the love of God.
- ◇ Our local businesses as they take on the cleaning and repair work in their own spaces and in the spaces of other people.
- ◇ For families dislocated by flooding and power outage especially those unable to return to their homes due to major structural damage.
- ◇ For council workers, SES volunteers and all those assisting in the clean-up.

A Prayer for Peace from the World Council of Churches
Lead me from despair to hope, from fear to trust; Lead me from hate to love, from war to peace; Let peace fill our heart, our world, our universe.

Pray for those in need: Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Gloria, Kerry, Joseph, Douglas, Nancy, Peter, Cath, Graham and Pat, Helena, Don

In Memory

February 28– March 6

Janice Helen Hughes (1965)

NEWS FROM AROUND THE TRAPS

Not the week we had hoped for. Torrential rain, flooding, CoVid continuing and the very worrying developments in conflicts around the world, including Ukraine, Syria, South Sudan and others. In our little part of the world we had to postpone the Cake Stall and the gathering of folk interested in how we do Peace, Justice, Reconciliation and Care for Creation stuff. Numbers were understandably low... 9 at our 7.30 and about 19 at the 9am... lots of wise decisions to avoid travel and flooded roads.

I felt quite low... a bit useless and basically unable to do much practical in the way of assistance. It did highlight the need for me to find out what we have in place in the way of phone trees and communication lines. Not everyone accesses emails or Facebook regularly and its hard to call everyone.



We did decide that perhaps the most practical thing was to open the church and Maheno Room for quiet space, phone charging, wifi access, a cuppa, and even a shower if needed. Thanks to Caroline and Lydia who came up Tuesday and Ann on Wednesday. The demand wasn't huge but there were a couple of very appreciative folk.

I will be away next week from Wednesday afternoon to Saturday. I'm travelling to attend my Aunt and Uncle's memorial service in NSW. Mary and Andre were killed in a very tragic head on collision in March last year and due to some very difficult issues with my cousins the memorial has had to wait until now. Could you hold the family in your prayers as they navigate some tough relationships.

Here's praying that the waters will subside and the skies remain clear. Every blessing... Andrew

Accommodation Assistance.



Some of you may be aware that one of our 9.00am folk Barbara Robb, was part of the house fire in Leura Street last week. Barbara is doing well, is safe and temporarily housed and while she lost everything in the fire, has what she needs immediately.

She has asked that we cast our network out to see if there is a small Granny Flat or self-contained studio apartment she could rent on a long term basis. The real estate market is cutthroat and any tips or leads would be much appreciated. **If you know of any place, please call Barbara on 0406 905 570**

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



LENT
A SEASON OF REFLECTION,
RENEWAL, AND PREPARATION

LENT Wednesdays @ ST JOHN'S

10am Stations of the Cross followed by Lent Study Group
Meet in the church

7pm Lent Study Group and reflection via Zoom

Starts Wednesday 9th March

Sign up via email andrew.cooper@anglicanchurchsq.org.au
or on the sheet at the back of the church

Week One: Tempted but Trusting

Luke 4:1-13 is the account of the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness. This session considers why this is such an important 'kick off' to the ministry of Jesus and what it might have to say to us when we are faced with those tempting temptations.