

From the Guild...

Our next meeting is this Tuesday at 8.45 am followed by morning tea.
Hoy starts at 10am and we welcome anyone looking for a fun morning of fellowship and easy to follow cards. How about inviting a friend and joining us!



Democracy Sausage!!!... and Cake Stall

With election day fast approaching we are looking for volunteers to help with the very Aussie Election Day Sausage sizzle and the Cake Stall. This is a significant fundraiser for us but we need your help. There will be a roster to put your names on in church on Sunday. **It would be unAustralian not to!!!**



Children's Church Is BAAAACCKK!

We gather for Children's Church every Sunday at 9am during term time. This week we celebrate both Good Shepherd Sunday AND Mother's Day.

Maybe mums will get something woolly!

Regardless, we will share the wonderful images of Jesus as the shepherd who loves his sheep! Baaaaaa

If you'd like a yarn about kids and church, contact

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8th May 2022

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7.30AM—EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

ST JOHN
THE BAPTIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

IN THE HEART OF BULIMBA

I am the Door of the Sheepfold

Not one that's gently hinged or deftly hung,
Not like the ones you planed at Joseph's place,
Not like the well-oiled openings that swung
So easily for Pilate's practiced pace,
Not like the ones that closed in Mary's face
From house to house in brimming Bethlehem,
Not like the one that no one may assail,
The dreadful curtain, the forbidding veil
That waits your breaking in Jerusalem.
Not one you made but one you have become:
Load-bearing, balancing, a weighted beam
To bridge the gap, to bring us within reach
Of your high pasture. Calling us by name,
You lay your body down across the breach,
Yourself the door that opens into home.

Malcolm Guite (2015)



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THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY	10th	8.45am 10.00am	Guild Meeting Morning Tea followed by Hoy
FRIDAY	13th	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	May 15th	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

ROSTERED DUTIES 15/5	7.30 AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s	Susan & Allan	Sarah
READER	Don	Roland
INTERCESSOR	Tony	Sarah
MORNING TEA		
WELCOMERS		
FLOWERS	Caroline	
CHURCH CLEANING	Sue & Kym	

COVID: MASKS ARE OPTIONAL. PLEASE OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING, HAND SANITISING AND MINIMISE ANY PERSONAL CONTACT.

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OUR SERVICE

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY.

The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

Revelation 7.17

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Gracious God, you sent Jesus, the good shepherd, to gather us together: may we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: ACTS 9.36-43 Vanessa Hanlon James Swanson

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

PSALM 23 (SUNG)

1. The Lord is my shepherd:
therefore can I lack nothing.
2. *He will make me lie down in green pastures:
and lead me beside still waters.*
3. He will refresh my soul:
and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.
4. *Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.*
5. You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me:
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
6. *Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life:
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

SECOND READING: Revelation 7.9-17

Vanessa Hanlon James Swanson

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.'

Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Gospel: John 10.22-30**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

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

Parish Prayers**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:****In The World: -**

- ◇ Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda
- ◇ The Diocese of Bunbury: †Ian Coutts; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ◇ The Parish of Ipswich: Selina McMahon, Stephen Monsiegnur, Lorraine Lynch, Michele Knight, Simon Arok, Elizabeth Chol, Dianne Leitch, Gavin Ott, Julie Craig-Leaves
- ◇ Anglicare SQ Remote and Rural Community Services
- ◇ Matthew Flinders Anglican College, Buderim: Principal - Stuart Meade; Chaplain - Kathrin Koning; Chair of College Council - Evan Gilbert; members of College Council; staff & students

Locally: We pray for...

- ◇ Our Liturgical Assistants., giving thanks for their ministry at the altar. May they continue to be inspired by our prayers and support.
- ◇ The Anglican Church of Australia National Synod meeting on the Gold Coast in the week ahead. May they discern wisely and have the heart of Jesus before them in their decision making.
- ◇ Pastors Joe & Monita Dujmovic of New Heart Baptist Church. May they continue to shine the light of the gospel in our community.

Loving God,

You have loved us with an everlasting love (Jer 31:3). You have loved us even more as a mother loved her child. We hold before you...

- ◇ Those with good Mother relationships
- ◇ Those who have lost Mothers
- ◇ Those who never had a Mother
- ◇ Those with strained Mother relationships
- ◇ Mothers with strained child relationships
- ◇ Mothers who have lost children
- ◇ Those who long to be Mothers
- ◇ Those who have chosen not to be Mothers
- ◇ Those who have been like a Mother to us.

We give you thanks and praise for the gift of mothers.

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

In Memory

May 9th– 15th

Lancelot Michael Walsh (2006), Elsie Ellen Humphery (2008),
Bruce Henry Hynd (2008)

Easter Events... some glimpses



Maundy Thursday meal and Gethsemane Garden



Good Friday prayer crosses offered and burnt at the lighting of the new fire on Easter Eve



Easter Day ... Churches Together Dawn Service at Riverside Park and the cross transformed! He is Risen indeed!!!



The Common Cup at Communion

Archbishop Phillip Aspinall writes:

The Chief Health Officer has indicated that the virus is not going to go away but that high vaccination rates are enabling us to remove almost all the restrictions currently in place. We are in essence returning to normal. This change in the Government's position and our own reviewed risk assessment means that **now is an appropriate time for parishes to consider returning to normal practice and reintroducing the common cup at the eucharist.**



It will be important that parishioners are reminded that communion in one kind is full communion and **every communicant may exercise the discretion not to receive from the common cup.** Those who are at higher risk or immunocompromised should consider taking every precaution available.

There should be no pressure for any communicant to receive the common cup.

Please also remember that **individual cups or intinction are not authorised in this diocese.** It is particularly important that communicants do not intinct bread in the common cup. It has long been understood that all sorts of impurities may be on communicants' fingers and there is a significant risk of fingers coming into contact with the sacramental wine. In the current circumstance we also wish to avoid hand sanitiser contaminating the sacramental wine. Please do not permit intinction.

Some key practices are to be observed to further reduce the risk:

- having communicants and liturgical assistant use sanitizer before and after communion;
- wiping the rim of the chalice inside and out with a clean part of the purificator between each communicant.
- proper cleansing of linens and vessels before and after Holy Communion;
- physical distancing while participating in Holy Communion; and
- liturgical assistants ministering the chalice to wear good quality masks to reduce their risk of infection.

The Common Cup will be available at all services at St John's from Friday 20th April.

Details of how we will manage this will be available next week.