

World Day



10am Friday 3rd March

Morningside Uniting Church

Thynne Road, Morningside

The service has been prepared by and about the people of Taiwan

Nb: There will be no service at St John's. Fr Andrew can help arrange lifts to Morningside.

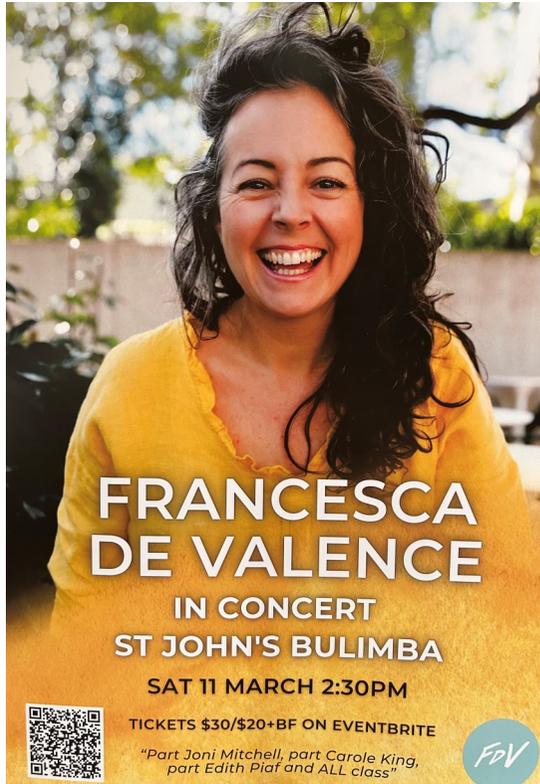
26th February 2023

LENT ONE

7.30 AM PARISH EUCHARIST

9.00 AM FAMILY EUCHARIST

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IN THE HEART OF BULIMBA



FRANCESCA DE VALENCE
IN CONCERT
ST JOHN'S BULIMBA
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**MORE THAN A CUPPA...
an opportunity to show welcome
and build community.**

We have space in our volunteer team for Morning Tea after the 9.00am service, on the Second and Third Sundays of each month. It involves bringing milk and cake or biscuits, and setting up and putting away.

Sarah in the Parish Office is keen to hear from you.

Stations of the Cross

10am every Wednesday in Lent

Commences Wednesday 1st March

A beautiful reflection on the Way of the Cross using a range of images and prayers.

Also known as the Way of Sorrows or the Via Crucis, it draws on scriptures and prayers contemplating the experience of Jesus Christ on the day of his crucifixion.



DESERT LESSON (Matthew 4: 1-11)

It is the empty time just before morning, the light just beginning to touch the tops of the hills, just beginning to palm the skins of the desert stones.

First one stone and then another begins to change colour as in slow grandeur the sun lifts into red-orange sky. First one stone and then another emerges from shadow, small solitudes of darkness in the solitude of wilderness in the emptiness of early morning.

Jesus is awake, blankets clutched to keep out the cold while he sits and watches stars fade in the spreading dawn. Hunger gnaws at his belly like a dog chewing a bone. Looking at a stone, he thinks, *How like a loaf of bread this rock appears. How comforting such food would be. . .*

Lifting his head in the direction of the Holy City, Jesus pictures the sunrise on the rooftops of the Temple, gleaming in the light like the spires of marble mountains. He imagines his feet astride that proud building's pinnacle and himself *not weak but mighty, not being hungry but full, not vulnerable, not breakable should I fall. . .*

The wind begins to rise, stirs the dry and scrawny grasses. Jesus ponders the passage of time, the rise and fall of kingdoms, the tides of marching armies, the endless quests for power that sweep up people and nations like sands in a desert wind. *He imagines himself at the head of a host of armoured thousands, lands and nations to serve me like the Pharaohs, like David, like Caesar ruling from Rome. . .*

Jesus sighs, and stands and stretches, a solitary and hungry yet somehow satisfied man, and folds the dusty blankets.

He will not bid the stones turn to bread today to ease his pressing hunger: for the hungry and poor of the world cannot, and he is in the world to bear their burden.

He will not evade frail humanness today, or deny his utter mortality, for even the mighty of the world cannot, and he is in the world to bear their burden.

He will not seek the throne of a kingdom today, selfish wealth or glory: for the outcasts and hurting of the world cannot, and he is in the world to bear their burden.

Day has come to the wilderness around him. The sun is full and blazing. Saying, *"Get away from me, Satan,"* Jesus starts to walk from the desert testing toward the towns and the cities where his ministry of love will begin.

His feet leave firm prints in the sand.

Andrew King, A Poetic Kind of Place, 2014

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READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 26th FEBRUARY

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

When you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but your Father who is in secret.
Matthew 6.17-18

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Gracious God, out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and one another: call forth our penitence and acts of love, and strengthen us to face our mortality, so that we may look with confidence for your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING: GENESIS 2.15-17; 3.1-7 LINDA MITCHELL ROLAND SOWERBY

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.' Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

PSALM 32.

- Blessed are those whose sin is forgiven: whose iniquity is put away.
2. Blessed are those to whom the Lord imputes no blame: and in whose spirit there is no guile.
- For whilst I held my tongue: my bones wasted away with my daily complaining.
4. Your hand was heavy upon me day and night: and my moisture was dried up like a drought in summer.
- Then I acknowledged my sin to you: and my iniquity I did not hide;
6. I said 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord': and so you forgave the wickedness of my sin.
- For this cause shall everyone that is faithful make their prayer to you in the day of trouble: and in the time of the great water-flood, it shall not come near them.
8. You are a place to hide me in, you will preserve me from trouble: you will surround me with deliverance on every side.
- 'I will instruct you, and direct you in the way that you should go: I will fasten my eye upon you, and give you counsel.
10. 'Be not like horse or mule, that have no understanding: whose forward course must be curbed with bit and bridle.'
- Great tribulations remain for the ungodly: but whoever puts their trust in the Lord, mercy embraces them on every side.
12. Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and be glad: and shout for joy, all you that are true of heart.

THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY	1st	10.00am	Stations of the Cross
THURSDAY	2nd	10.00-11.30am 7.00pm-8.30pm	Anglican Identity Lent Study
FRIDAY	3rd	10.00am	World Day of Prayer Morningside Uniting Church, Thynne Road
SUNDAY	5th	7.30am 9.00am	Eucharist Eucharist

ROSTERED DUTIES 05/3	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'s	Roslyn	Howard/Roland
MUSIC	Wendy	Wendy
READERS	Roslyn/Linda M	Sarah/Roland
INTERCESSOR	Allan T	Rev Quinn tbc
MORNING TEA	Volunteers Required	
WELCOMERS	Bob & Glenda Lee	Laurie T
AUDIO VISUAL	Paul	Donovan
FLOWERS	NO FLOWERS IN LENT	CHURCH CLEANING Sue & Kym

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SECOND READING: ROMANS 5.12-21 FELICITY SCOTT NOT USED AT 9AM

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. But law came in, with the result that the trespass multiplied; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, just as sin exercised dominion in death, so grace might also exercise dominion through justification leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 4.1-11 **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.

The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' '

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' '

Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' '

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.'

Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' '

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

In Memory

February 26th—March 4th

Kathleen Marion Bishop (1991)

Jennifer Ann Edwards (2004) Janice Helen Hughes (1965)

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ◇ The Scottish Episcopal Church
- ◇ The Diocese of Wangaratta: †Clarence Bester; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ◇ The Parish of Morningside: Martyn Hope, Warwick Humphries
- ◇ Anglicare SQ Emergency Relief Services
- ◇ State School Teachers

Locally: We pray for...

- ◇ Our **Music Ministry Team**. We give thanks for Howard, Wendy and Robert and rejoice in the sharing of their gifts and the encouragement they give for all to make a joyful noise unto the Lord.
- ◇ **Fr Kevin, St Peter and Pauls Parish and School and Lourdes Hill College**. We give thanks for the deep friendship and pray that we continue to seek ways to work together to bring the light and hope of the Gospel to our district.
- ◇ The gathering of our Parish at the **Annual General Meeting**. We give thanks for the year that has been and look forward to the deep listening required to discern the stirrings of the Spirit among us as we move into the year ahead.

Pray for those in need:

Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Joseph, Douglas, Nancy, Kerry, Helena, Daniel, Roy, Michael, Ruth, Williamson Family, Rev Helen Phillips, Vince, Helen, Rev Paul Bland., Ray, Joan, Pam, Rodney.

Prayer at the time of choosing an Archbishop.

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy give your Church in this Diocese a shepherd after your own heart, who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. May your Church be built up and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

TODAY... From 10.15am

in the Maheno Room.

You may join by Zoom using the following link

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83549119362?
pwd=VWc4MVRleHEwdm9LVnRBZFhpdHBuUT09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83549119362?pwd=VWc4MVRleHEwdm9LVnRBZFhpdHBuUT09)

Meeting ID: 835 4911 9362 Passcode: 213639

AGM
Annual General Meeting



10 Tips to make Lent more meaningful!

Lent is a time for self-reflection and deepening one's relationship with God in Jesus Christ.

Consider adopting one or more of the following creative uses of the days between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday.

1. Apologize to someone: Lent is a season of repentance. Most often we think of asking God for forgiveness from our sin, but that is only half of the story. Most sins include hurting others, which mattered to Jesus. He taught that if during worship if you

"remember that your brother or sister has something against you... First make things right with your brother or sister and then come back and offer your gift." (Matthew 5:23-24 CEB). Lent is a great time to seek forgiveness from those we have harmed.

2. Perform random acts of kindness: Express your love for Jesus by loving others. Pay for the order of the person behind you in the drive-through. Give an extravagant tip. Carry gift cards to give away. Ask others how they are doing, then stop and listen to their responses. Share the love of Jesus in any way you can think of each day during Lent.

3. Delve into a book of the Bible: Enhance your devotions by getting to know a book of the Bible well. Read it repeatedly, at least once in a single sitting. Find articles about it. Meditate on it with a commentary. Memorize portions of it. Pray through it. Google sermons about it. Find hymns based upon it. In the six weeks of Lent, you could develop a deep understanding of a book of the Bible about which you have always been curious.

4. Serve people in need: Identify an organization with which you would like to participate. Find out what is required to become a volunteer, then sign up to serve throughout the season of Lent. When Jesus washed his disciples' feet at the Last Supper, he taught that we are called not to be served, but to serve (John 13:1-17).

5. Visit the lonely: Jesus also taught his disciples to treat others as we would treat him. This included visiting those who are sick and in prison (Matthew 25:31-36). Talk to local nursing homes, children's hospitals, prisons, senior centres or any other place where people need some human contact. Even if you can't visit in person, you can send a card, make a phone call or seek another way to let someone know you care. If a facility allows for in-person visits, find out how you may visit (observing all procedures to keep everyone safe). When together, play games, look at photo albums, tell stories and enjoy those about whom Jesus said, *"When you have done it for [them], you have done it for me."*

6. Share in our parish study group: You might not be able to come to the group discussion sessions, but you can share in the videos and reflection questions. You can use this link [Anglican Identity](#) or just type **Anglican Identity** into your search engine. Folk who are not so used to finding stuff online could use it as an opportunity to have a visit with a family member or friend who could guide you through it and even watch them with you. What a great opportunity to share something of what is important to you as an Anglican with a friend from another denomination or of no specific faith.

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10 Tips to make Lent more meaningful! (continued)

7. Tell others you love them: Some of us struggle to say those three little words. Maybe we assume others already know how we feel. Maybe we think we show our love and don't need to say it. Or maybe we are concerned it won't be reciprocated. Fight the fear and say *"I love you"* to friends, family members, and everyone else you love at least once during the season.

8. Throw a party: Jesus often used the image of a party to describe the Kingdom of God. He talked about wedding receptions and banquet feasts, and participated in several large group celebrations. Host your own Kingdom party! You may choose to cook for the neighborhood, friends, people from church who you rarely see or office colleagues. Keep this act of love festive with fun napkins and other decorations.

9. Serve in worship: Your church needs you. Sing up, usher, offer to serve as a L.A, work with the tech team or find some other way to serve your church. If you worship primarily online, ask your church staff how you might be able to help, including sending out cards or making phone calls to people on the church prayer list. Don't wait for someone to ask you to use your God-given gifts. Offer yourself in service to your church for the season.

10. Say "thank you": Parents, family members, mentors, coaches, teachers, authors, pastors, Sunday school teachers, and others have shaped you into the person you are. Each week during Lent, send a note of gratitude to one of them. Tell them how much they meant to you and how they inspired you. Consider including a small gift. Even if you do not know that author or speaker personally, draft an email of thanks.

There are many ways to be observant during Lent. Be original. Find yours.

Adapted from [Beyond fasting: 10 tips for a more meaningful Lent \(umc.org\)](#)

Lent Study 2023

Anglican Identity

Thursdays in Lent at 10.00-11.30am or 7.00-8.30 pm

Anglican Identity is a course that explores the story and practice of the modern Anglican Church in the Diocese of Southern Queensland. Featuring 60 practising Anglicans from a range of parishes and agencies, the videos are stimulating and engaging. This course is a great way to journey through the history, life and contemporary mission of a Church that celebrates its past, present and strides into the future with hope!

2 March Week Two: The Way We Were

9th March Week Three: Aspects of the Ethos

16th March Week Four: Making It Work

23rd March Week Five: What We Do

30th March Week Six: Paths to the Future



You can still register and can still complete missed sessions online.

Email andrew.cooper@anglicanchurchsq.org.au for the link.