

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

NOTICES: All notices for inclusion are subject to approval and must be received by 12 noon Wednesday for publication the following Sunday.

Sunday Services January 2021: During January there will be only one service on Sunday at 8.30 am.

Services This Week:
Sunday 24th Jan: 8.30am Eucharist

Readings for 24th January 2020:

Deuteronomy 28 1-9
Psalm 145:1-9
Romans 13.1-8
Mark 12:13-17

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Office hours – the office is currently open on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9am to 12noon.

15th Feb 7.00pm: Parish Council meeting.

27th Feb 11.00am: installation of the Right Reverend Peter Grice as 13th Bishop of Rockhampton.

7th March 2021: The AGM will be held after the 9.30 service on Sunday 7/3. All annual reports for the AGM must be in the office by Sunday 31 January.

ABM deductions are going to those suffering due to COVID 19. Those who give via direct debit can contact Cheryl Haughton to have part of their deduction go to ABM - OR - You can get a bundle of envelopes from the wardens/office and use the ABM half.

Pew Reflection:

We are our bodies, we are our DNA, the millions of switches which gave us this characteristic or that one, our mother's eyes or our grandfather's nose. The Psalmist tells us that God knows us absolutely, better than we know ourselves. God knows our bodies for God made them. Give us grace to relax into the comfort of being known absolutely by God, the joy of belonging to God's body and the hope of seeing God's Son.

Text: The Rev Kate Ross,
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☺ Sunday Smile:



WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL 17 JANUARY 2021 – BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



It is lovely to share in worship this morning. A very warm welcome to any newcomers or visitors.

We offer a special welcome to Peter and Virginia Grice and their family. We hope our association will be long and fruitful.

SENTENCE

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the king of Israel!
John 1.41, 49

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, is now exalted as Lord of all, and pours out his gifts upon the Church: grant it that unity which only your Spirit can give, keep us in the bond of peace, and bring all creation to worship before your throne; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

Church in Australia: The Diocese of North Queensland

CQ Diocese: Clermont Parish, All Saints' Clermont with Holy Spirit Capella

People in the Parish and Beyond: Church Organists, Musicians and Choirs. Our ministry to families. The Ministry of Evangelism. People who are divorced or separated.

Our partner Diocese – PNG: Emo, Bareji (HMD), Pongani (HMD)

Those known to us:

In Need: Brian and Jacqueline, Carmel, Ray.

In Memoriam: Jessie Veitch, Frances Creed, Eloise Harrison, Elsie McPherson, Russell Hope, the Rev Trevor Manning, Michelle Murphy, Lillian Webster, Clive Tait, Gloria McKenzie, Gladys Nelson.

We care about you, so please let Dean Melusi or the Wardens know if you, a family member or someone you know, needs pastoral care or wants to be included in our prayers for healing.

17 January - Second Sunday After Epiphany

1st Reading – 1 Samuel 3.1-10:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore, Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

Psalm 139.1-5, 12-18

O Lord, you have searched me out and known me:

you know when I sit or when I stand, you comprehend my thoughts long before.

You discern my path and the places where I rest:

you are acquainted with all my ways.

For there is not a word on my tongue:

but you, Lord, know it altogether.

You have encompassed me behind and before:

and have laid your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me:

so high that I cannot endure it.

For you have created my inward parts:

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will praise you, for you are to be feared:

fearful are your acts, and wonderful your works.

You knew my soul, and my bones were not hidden from you:

when I was formed in secret, and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes saw my limbs when they were yet imperfect:

and in your book were all my members written.

Day by day they were fashioned:

and not one was late in growing.

How deep are your thoughts to me, O God:

and how great is the sum of them!

Were I to count them, they are more in number than the sand:

were I to come to the end, I would still be with you.

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 6.12-20

'All things are lawful for me', but not all things are beneficial. 'All things are lawful for me', but I will not be dominated by anything. 'Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food', and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, 'The two shall be one flesh.' But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore, glorify God in your body.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

Gospel – John 1.43-51

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 1 reading from verse 43 to 51.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

1ST READING - DEUTERONOMY 28:1-9

If you will only obey the Lord your God, by diligently observing all his commandments that I am commanding you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth; all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the Lord your God: Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb, the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your livestock, both the increase of your cattle and the issue of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-bowl. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out. The Lord will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you; they shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways. The Lord will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; he will bless you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. The Lord will establish you as his holy people, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the Lord your God and walk in his ways.

Psalm 145:1-9

I will exalt you, O God my king:

I will bless your name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you:

and praise your name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and wonderfully worthy to be praised:

his greatness is past searching out.

One generation shall praise your works to another:

and declare your mighty acts.

As for me, I will be talking of the glorious splendour of your majesty:

I will tell the story of your marvellous works.

All people shall speak of the power of your terrible deeds:

and I will proclaim your greatness.

Their lips shall flow with the remembrance of your abundant goodness:

they shall shout for joy at your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and compassionate:

slow to anger and of great goodness.

The Lord is loving to every one of us:

and his mercy is over all his works.

2ND READING - ROMANS 13:1-8

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore, whoever resists authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgement. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore, one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing. Pay to all what is due to them - taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honour to whom honour is due. Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

GOSPEL - MARK 12:13-17

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, chapter 12 reading from verse 13 to 17.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Then they sent to him some Pharisees and some Herodians to trap him in what he said. And they came and said to him, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality, but teach the way of God in accordance with truth. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not? Should we pay them, or should we not?' But knowing their hypocrisy, he said to them, 'Why are you putting me to the test? Bring me a denarius and let me see it.' And they brought

one. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Jesus said to them, 'Give to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' And they were utterly amazed at him.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



AMUA Quiet Morning.

Our annual Quiet Morning will be held at Keppel on Friday 5th February. Our chaplain, Reverend Rob Stanley from Keppel, will lead the morning which will start at 10am and go through till 12md.

Anyone who is interested, members or not, please let Lynn or Noelle or Jan know as we will be needing approximate numbers to set up according to COVID requirements. There will be a cuppa available from 9.30 with the allowed two-biscuit packets, so feel free to bring your own if you would like anything different.

Lunch can be arranged at the Tavern if desired.

Looking forward to seeing as many as possible. A Quiet Morning is a great way to set our spiritual focus for the year, with Lent just around the corner.

1. Parishioners need to advise the Bishop's PA on 49 277 887 if they wish to attend the installation of our Bishop - Elect OR add their name to the sheet in the narthex.

2. Individual St Paul's Cathedral name badges cost \$11.00. Please place your order with Bev Russell OR on the sheet in the narthex