

## 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.

### Services This Week:

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March:  
7.30am Eucharist  
9.30am Morning Prayer

### Readings for 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021:

Numbers 21.4-9  
Psalm 107.1-3,17-22  
Ephesians 2.1-10  
John 3.14-21

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

**Lenten Studies** are being held in the Nathaniel Dawes Hall beginning on Tuesday 23rd February for 6 weeks. The studies will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 8pm and Wednesday Mornings from 10am to 11am.

Today - 7<sup>th</sup> March: The AGM will be held in the Cathedral Centre after the 9.30 service. All applications for the AGM closed at noon on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March. No late applications will be accepted.

Electoral Roll: Those who are not on the roll are unable to vote. For those who wish to add their names the roll will be in the narthex prior to the church services and at the meeting prior to commencement.

Morning Tea Rosters: We are looking for volunteers for the morning tea roster at 7.30am and 9.30am services, beginning 4<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Sunday. Volunteers must be prepared to follow Covid Safe rules. Please let Donna Parken or the wardens know if you are able to help.

Name Badges: Individual St Paul's Cathedral name badges cost \$11 each. Please speak to Bev Russell if you need a name badge.

**BCA Boxes:** During March, please bring in your money boxes for Bush Church Aid, the mission society that has been Reaching Australia for Christ since 1919. In our Diocese, BCA supports Longreach, Moranbah, and now Philip Vant Spyker in Keppel, as well as other areas that would not have ministry without BCA. There are new boxes at the back, as well as literature about BCA. Noelle Frazer

☺ Sunday Smile:



Christ clears the temple

## WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL 07 MAR. 2021 – 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT



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

### SENTENCE:

God spoke these words and said, 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.' Exodus 20.1

### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Lord our God, by your Holy Spirit write your commandments upon our hearts and grant us the wisdom and power of the cross, so that, cleansed from greed and selfishness, we may become a living temple of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

**Church in Australia:** The Diocese of Brisbane

**CQ Diocese:** The website and all those who contribute to it.

**People in the Parish and Beyond:** The World Council of Churches, The National Council of Churches, Queensland Churches Together, Ecumenical trust and co-operation.

**Our partner Diocese – PNG:** Asafa/Gorobuna Parish, Eiwo, Emo River Parish, Wora  
**Those known to us:**

**In Need:** Brian and Jacqueline, Carmel, Ray, Phillip.

**In Memoriam:** Tanya Roberts, Charles Barclay, Tyler Connolly, Phillip Kennedy, Jean Leonard, Julie McCann.

**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.**

## 7 March – Third Sunday in Lent

### 1<sup>st</sup> reading – Exodus 20.1-17

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work - you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore, the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Hear the word of the Lord, ***Thanks be to God.***

### Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God:

**and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;**

One day tells it to another:

**and night to night communicates knowledge.**

There is no speech or language:

**nor are their voices heard;**

Yet their sound has gone out through all the world:

**and their words to the ends of the earth.**

There he has pitched a tent for the sun:

**which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber, and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.**

Its rising is at one end of the heavens, and its circuit to their farthest bound:

**and nothing is hidden from its heat.**

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul:

**the command of the Lord is true, and makes wise the simple.**

The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart:

**the commandment of the Lord is pure, and gives light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever:

**the judgements of the Lord are unchanging, and righteous every one.**

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold:

**sweeter also than honey, than the honey that drips from the comb.**

Moreover, by them is your servant taught:

**and in keeping them there is great reward.**

Who can know their own unwitting sins?:

**O cleanse me from my secret faults.**

Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the mastery over me:

**so I shall be clean, and innocent of great offence.**

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight:

**O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer.**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 Corinthians 1. 18-25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Hear the word of the Lord, ***Thanks be to God.***

### Gospel – John 2.13-22

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 2 verses 13 to 22.

**Glory to you lord Jesus Christ**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the moneychangers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the moneychangers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

***praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.***

**1ST READING - NUMBERS 21:4-9**

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Hear the word of the Lord,

*Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM 107:1-3, 17-22**

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:

**for his loving mercy is for ever.**

Let the Lord's redeemed say so:

**whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,**

And gathered in from every land, from the east and from the west:

**from the north and from the south.**

Fools were far gone in transgression:

**and because of their sins were afflicted.**

They sickened at any food:

**and had come to the gates of death.**

Then they cried to the Lord in their distress:

**and he took them out of their trouble.**

He sent his word and healed them:

**and saved their life from the Pit.**

Let them thank the Lord for his goodness:

**and for the wonders that he does for the children of Adam;**

Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving:

**and tell what he has done with shouts of joy.**

**2ND READING - EPHESIANS 2.1-10**

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ - by grace you have been saved - and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God - not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Hear the word of the Lord,

*Thanks be to God.*

**GOSPEL - JOHN 3:14-21**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 3, reading from verse 14 to 21.

*Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ*

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the

light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,

***praise to you Lord Jesus Christ***