#### 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 14<sup>th</sup> March: 7.30am Eucharist 9.30am Morning Prayer

#### Readings for 21st March 2021:

Jeremiah 31.31-34 Psalm 119.9-16 Hebrews 5.5-14 John 12.20-33

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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.

**April Rosters** are to be done shortly. If you are NOT available over Easter please inform Lewis (7.30), Bev (9.30) or leave a message at the office as soon as you can.

**Date Claimer – 10<sup>th</sup> April** is the planned date for the next social night. More details will be coming soon.

**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.

**Gluten free wafers are available.** Please indicate to the priest if you want gluten free.

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:



St Patrick regretted his decision to drive the snakes out of Ireland.

# WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL 14 MAR. 2021 – 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT



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

#### SENTENCE:

The Son of Man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. John 3.14–15

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you: give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness prevent us from doing it; that in your light we may see light and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

#### IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY:

Our Companion Dioceses: Llandaff, WALES, Popondota, PNG

**People In The Parish And Beyond:** Schools and Educational Establishments, Christian Education in Schools, those struggling financially, Alcoholics and the work of AA.

Partner Diocese-Popondota (PNG): Ninidewari Parish, Geroia Eia (HMD)

#### Those known to us:

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

**In Memoriam:** Elizabeth Ballard, 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.

# 14 March – Fourth Sunday in Lent

# 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

# THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WERE APPOINTED/ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021

It was determined at the meeting that up to 6 Parish Councillors be permitted from the meeting and that the Dean can appoint 3 Parish Councillor.

- Peoples Warden: Lewis Dunne elected.
- Elected as Parish Councillors: Arthur Hawthorn, Margaret Anderton, Alice Hare. Automatically elected/Appointed: Lewis Dunne Warden, Bev Russell Warden, Cheryl Haughton Treasurer. Dean Melusi reserved his right to appoint 3 Parish Councillors at a later date.
- · Parish Nominator: Alice Hare, elected.
- Election of Synod Representative: Cheryl Haughton.
- Bev Russell appointed as Dean's Warden.
- Lewis Dunne appointed Centre Warden (St Mark's).
- Graham Millar appointed Sacristan.
- · Stewardship recording: Wardens.
- Children's Ministry Contact: Alice Hare.
- Youth Ministry Contact: Vacant.
- Anglicare Food Box: Noelle Frazer has taken on responsibility for delivery.
- ABM Contact: Vacant.
- Auditor: Graham Pratt.