

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 21st March:
7.30am Eucharist
9.30am Morning Prayer

Readings for 28th March 2021:

Acts 8.26-40
Psalm 22.26-32
1John 4.7-21
John 15.1-8

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

Thank you to the people who have offered to clean the Cathedral. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Low gluten wafers are available. Please indicate to the priest if you want low gluten wafers.

Help is required from 9am next Saturday 20/3 to assist in decorating the Cathedral for Palm Sunday. Please speak to Graham or the Churchwardens.

Parish Council Members: There were two omissions in the list printed last week. Dianne Jeha is a Parish Councillor and Cheryl Haughton is the treasurer. Sincere apologies to Dianne and Cheryl.

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

Date Claimer – Friday 16th April will be our next Social Night. More details will be coming soon.

Morning Tea Rosters: We need volunteers for the morning tea roster at 7.30am and 9.30am services, beginning 4th 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

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 areas that would not have ministry without BCA. There are new boxes at the back, as well as literature about BCA. Noelle Frazer

Pew Reflection: God, in His love, gave us a gift: not a lifeless thing, such as silver or gold, but a person. Not an angel, not another patriarch or another prophet like Jeremiah. God gave us His only son, God gave you and me the Very Son of God. -

Fr Bob Warren, Franciscan Friar

☺ Sunday Smile:

God gave us mouths that close and ears that stay open. Does this tell us something?

WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL 21 MAR. 2021 – 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT



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

SENTENCE:

'This is the covenant I will make with them,' says the Lord God: 'I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.' Jeremiah 31.33

Prayer for Collect

O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY:

Church in Australia: The Diocese of Rockhampton

CQ Diocese: Springsure Parish, St Peter's Springsure with All Saints' Rolleston

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, Lorraine.

In Memoriam: Elaine Carson.

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.

21 March – Fifth Sunday in Lent

1st Reading – Jeremiah 31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Psalm 119.9-16

How shall the young keep their path pure:

unless they hold to your word?

I have sought you with my whole heart:

let me not stray from your commandments.

I have treasured your words in my heart:

that I might not sin against you.

Blessed are you, Lord God:

O teach me your statutes.

With my lips I have been telling:

all the judgements of your mouth;

And I find more joy in the way of your commands:

than in all manner of riches.

I will meditate on your precepts:

and give heed to your ways;

For my delight is wholly in your statutes:

and I will not forget your word.

2nd Reading – Hebrews 5.5-14

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save

him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. About this we have much to say that is hard to explain, since you have become dull in understanding. For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic elements of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food; for everyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is unskilled in the word of righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, for those whose faculties have been trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

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

Gospel – John 12.20-33

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 12, reading from verse 20 to 33.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

For the Gospel of the Lord, ***Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ***

Notices that Don't Fit

Ballads, Bards and Bites – 16 April

'To have fun, or not to have fun' – that is the question at our next social night on Friday 16 April, starting at 7pm. Come along to share in the food, music and frivolity as we celebrate poetry month and Shakespeare's birthday.

Bring along some friends, join in and have a good laugh. Who knows there may be some bards among us, or some spontaneous recitations of half remembered poems from school days! After all, who can forget 'I wandered lonely as a cloud

\$15 entry covers meal and fun, with drinks on sale, and a raffle.

For catering purposes please let us know by 11 April if you will be coming along.

And for those who know absolutely nothing about the Bard:

William Shakespeare was an English playwright, poet, and actor, widely regarded as the greatest writer in the English language and the world's greatest dramatist. He is often called England's national poet and the "Bard of Avon". [Wikipedia](#)

Born: April 1564, [Stratford-upon-Avon, United Kingdom](#)

Died: 23 April 1616, [Stratford-upon-Avon, United Kingdom](#)

Spouse: [Anne Hathaway](#) (m. 1582–1616)

Anglicare Food Box.

The Anglicare Food box will now be emptied regularly. Thanks to those who have faithfully made donations in the past; Anglicare really appreciates the food. Please check the suggestions for suitable non-perishable grocery items on the lid of the box. Thank you. Noelle Frazer

Diocesan AMUA Celebration of Lady Day.

Lady Day will be celebrated in the Cathedral with Holy Communion at 10 am on Thursday 25th April. This is an important day in the life of Mothers' Union members worldwide, and all are welcome to join us at the Service.