

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

NOTICES: All notices are subject to approval and must be received by 12 noon Wed for publication Sun.

Sunday Services

7.30am: Eucharist

9.30am: 1st Sun: Communion, 2nd Sun: Morning Prayer, band, 3rd, 4th Sun: Morning Prayer, 5th Sun: Communion

7.30am

TiS 561 Who would true valour see

TiS 583 Take up your cross

TiS 611 God of grace and God of glory

TiS 161 Tell out, my soul

9.30am

TiS 746 The heavens shall declare

TiS 583 Take up your cross

Because he lives

TiS 571 Forth in your name, O Lord, I go

Readings for 19th September 2021:

Proverbs 31.10-31

Psalms 1

James 3.1-12

Mark 9.30-37

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

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BSB: 014-690

Account: Cathedral Parish General

Account Number: 2987-20958

Meanwhile, back at the ranch

It's time to dust off your cowboy/cowgirl boots and hat, put on your jeans, and come along to our next social night on Friday 1 October. Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm kick off, so round up some friends, hitch up your wagon, and boot scoot on down to have a good laugh as we share in some fun western trivia. It might be your bonanza night! \$15 entry covers meal and fun, with drinks on sale. For catering purposes please put your name on the sheet in the narthex by 26 September if you will be attending (Dean Melusi)

Grateful thanks from Anglicare for the bags of food donated during August. Noelle

September is BCA Box month. Anyone who uses a box to donate to BCA please return them for processing. Give your box to Noelle or leave it in the narthex for collection. There are a couple of new boxes there for anyone who would like to give loose change to BCA to help support Longreach, Moranbah, and the family ministry in the Diocese. Thanks.

Synod: Synod will be in October from Fri 22/10 to Sun 24/10. There will be only one service (Communion) on Sun 24/10 at 10am.

Bible Study:

Wed 10am with Margaret Anderton – next meeting 15/9.

Bible Study:

Tuesday 7.00pm with the Rev Barbara Blackford follows the Sunday Journal with preparation for the following Sunday's readings.

Pew Reflection:

To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible.

Thomas Aquinas

☺ Sunday Smile:

Baptisms: From now on, the North and South ends of the church will be utilised. Children will be baptised at both ends.

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral

12 September – 16th Sunday after Pentecost.



It is lovely to share in worship this morning. A very warm welcome to any newcomers or visitors and a special welcome to the family and friends of Harriette, who is being baptised at the 9.30 service today.

Please join us for morning tea fellowship in the hall after the service.

Sentence: Those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for the sake of the gospel will save it. *Mark 8.35*

Collect: God of mercy, help us to forgive as you have forgiven us, to trust you, even when hope is failing, and to take up our cross daily and follow you in your redeeming work; 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:

The Church In Australia: The Diocese of Grafton

CQ Diocese: Boyne River Parish: St Mark's Ministry Centre, Boyne Island with St Mary the Virgin, Miriam Vale and St Luke's, Lowmead

People In The Parish And Beyond: The Newly Married and Marriage Educators, Single parent families. Members of Federal and State Parliaments, and Local Government.

Partner Diocese-Popondota (PNG): Mamba Archdeaconry, Ave (Iaudari) Parish, Boboda Katuna (sub-parish)

Those known to us:

In Need: Brian and Jacqueline, Ray, Amy and family, Margaret.

In Memoriam: Irene Clayton, Olive McBryde, Joyce Lawrie, Alexander Horne, Ronald Bunt.

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.

In today's Gospel ... Jesus makes a distinction between the call to follow his way and the pursuit of things that fulfil our desires. In this passage from Mark's gospel, the Lord teaches his disciples that he must undergo suffering and death. The disciples are perplexed partly because they do not fully understand who Jesus is. We learn, therefore, that to follow the way of the Lord is to understand from the perspective of God. (Dean Melusi).

12 September - Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

1st Reading – Proverbs 1.20-33

²⁰ Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. ²¹ At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates, she speaks: ²² 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? ²³ Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. ²⁴ Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, ²⁵ and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, ²⁶ I also will laugh at your calamity. I will mock when panic strikes you, ²⁷ when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. ²⁸ Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. ²⁹ Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, ³⁰ would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, ³¹ therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. ³² For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; ³³ but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.'

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

Psalm 19

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God:
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;

² One day tells it to another:

and night to night communicates knowledge.

³ There is no speech or language:

nor are their voices heard;

⁴ Yet their sound has gone out through all the world:

and their words to the ends of the earth.

⁵ 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.

⁶ Its rising is at one end of the heavens, and its circuit to their farthest bound:

and nothing is hidden from its heat.

⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul:

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

⁸ The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart:

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

⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever:

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

¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold:

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

¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant taught:

and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹² Who can know their own unwitting sins?:

O cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³ Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the mastery over me:

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

¹⁴ May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight:

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

2nd Reading James 2.18-26

¹⁸ But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith. ¹⁹ You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe - and shudder. ²⁰ Do you want to be shown, you senseless person, that faith without works is barren? ²¹ Was not our ancestor Abraham justified by works when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? ²² You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was brought to completion by the works. ²³ Thus the scripture was fulfilled that says, 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness', and he was called the friend of God. ²⁴ You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. ²⁵ Likewise, was not Rahab the prostitute also justified by works when she welcomed the messengers and sent them out by another road? ²⁶ For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.

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Gospel – Mark 8.27-38

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, chapter 6, verses 27-38

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

²⁷ Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' ²⁸ And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' ²⁹ He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' ³⁰ And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹ Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' ³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷ Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸ Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

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

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