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Sunday Services:

7.30am: Eucharist 9.30am: 1st and 5th Sun: Communion, 2nd Sun: Morning Prayer, band, 3rd,4th Sun: Morning Prayer.

Hymns for Sun 14th November 2021: 7.30am

TiS 89 O Lord, you are my God and King TiS 216 Rejoice, the Lord is King TiS 142 Glory be to God the Father TiS 228 Crown him with many crowns

9.30am

TiS 143 Immortal invisible SOF 205 I cannot tell TiS 517 Hallelujah, sing to Jesus TiS 134 Praise my soul, the King of Heaven

Readings for 28th November 2021:

Jeremiah 33.14-16 Psalm 25.1-10 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13 Luke 21.25-38

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Save the Date!

Christmas Social Night, Friday 3rd December 6.30pm for 7.00 pm. Sign up sheet in the Narthex.

Advent Study: The Dean will be conducting an Advent Study on Wednesday mornings during Advent from 10 – 11am in the Nathaniel Dawes Hall.

Morning Tea: arrangements will continue as they are until further notice. A gold coin would be appreciated towards the cost of providing morning tea.

Pew Reflection:

Pontius Pilate was the character with the unenviable job of keeping the province of Judea in line. "So you are a king?" he asks Jesus sarcastically, as he threatens him from his position of power. It is a dialogue that is masterfully told by John the evangelist, as it is portrayed as an encounter between the leading local power-merchant of the government, on the one hand, and the apparently powerless figure of Jesus.

Sunday Smile:

A Short History of Medicine: Doctor, I have an earache. 2000 BC – Here, eat this root. 1000 BC – That root is heathen! Say this prayer. 1850 AD – That prayer is superstition, drink this potion. 1940 AD – That potion is snake oil, swallow this pill. 1985 AD- That pill is ineffective, take this antibiotic. 2000 AD – That antibiotic is artificial. Here, eat this root.

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral

21st November – Christ the King – The Reign of Christ.



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

21 November - Christ the King/ the Reign of Christ

Sentence:

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing. *Revelation 5.12*

Collect:

Everlasting God, whose will is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King: grant that the people of earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed, and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; 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: Christian Co-operation in World Relief and Development. Women in the life of the Church. People of other religions. Rural and remote areas of Australia.

Partner Diocese- Popondota, PNG: Urban Archdeaconary, Isivini Parish, Resurrection Parish.

THOSE KNOWN TO US:

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

In Memoriam: Last week: Ronald Hopkins, Vivian Knowles, Reginald Draper, Catherine Archer, Malcolm Hearn. Apologies for these not appearing last week. **This week:** Clara Marshal, Doreen Gibson, Ronald Rundle, Lorraine Bell, Maree Rumpf, Patricia Snelling.

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 November – Christ the King / the Reign of Christ

In today's Gospel in response to Pontius Pilate's question, Jesus stated that the Kingdom of God cannot be compared to the world as we know it. The Lord also foretold a time when the Temple in Jerusalem would be torn down, perhaps to help people focus on God's Kingdom more, and to accept that no one wants for anything when they make the decision to follow Jesus Christ as the Saviour of the world. Like last Sunday's gospel from Mark 13, today's passage from John 18 is intended to give hope to everyone and encourages us to accept Jesus as the King of heaven and earth. (Dean Melusi).

1st Reading - 2Samuel 23.1-7

⁹ As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. ¹³ As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. ¹⁴ To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

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

Psalm 93

¹ The Lord is king, and has put on robes of glory:

the Lord has put on his glory, he has girded himself with strength.

² He has made the world so firm:

that it cannot be moved.

³ Your throne is established from of old:

you are from everlasting.

⁴ The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice:

the floods lift up their pounding.

⁵ But mightier than the sound of many waters, than the mighty waters or the breakers of the sea:

the Lord on high is mighty.

⁶ Your decrees are very sure:

and holiness, O Lord, adorns your house for ever.

2nd Reading – Revelation 1.4b-8

⁴ John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸ 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

Gospel – John 18.33-37

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 18,

Verses 33-37.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' ³⁴ Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' ³⁵ Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' ³⁶ Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' ³⁷ Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

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

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Safe Ministry Training:

As a church we are committed to doing everything we can to ensure that our churches are safe for all who participate in church activities. Currently we are ensuring that we are up to date with all our safe ministry records. As a result, everyone who is on a roster or plays a role in the services needs to undergo safe ministry screening. This involves filling out a form, which will be emailed to everyone who has not previously completed it, or a paper copy can be collected from the narthex and returned to the Dean. It will also be necessary to have a valid Blue Card. In the future we will hold safe ministry training for all volunteers. We thank you for your willingness to serve at the cathedral and we hope this can assist in keeping our cathedral a safe space for everyone. - Penny Fletcher Safe Ministry Officer

Anglicare:

Thanks for the regular food donations. With Christmas hampers coming up, any donations of Christmas fare would be appreciated. I will clear the box before Hamper Packing day, **13th December.** Thank you. Noelle

Sunday Journals.

I expect to have the Sunday Journals this week. I ordered 3 extra copies trusting that some more parishioners might like to prepare themselves for the Sunday Readings with commentary, questions, and prayers. They are just \$10 for 55 coloured pages covering 3 months! Noelle

Christmas Champions

Who will be the star of our Christmas social night on Friday 3 December? Get some friends together and come along, it may be your time to shine!

6.30pm for a 7.00pm start; \$15 per person covers food and fun, with drinks on sale, and a raffle to support the Christmas 'Adopt-a-family' appeal.