

**Proclaiming Christ in word and action;
Growing in care, love and service**



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Next Wednesday: 9.00 am Holy Eucharist: St Margaret:

Next Saturday 5.30 pm Holy Eucharist: St Stephen

Next Sunday: Epiphany 2

9.00 am PPP: St Ann

9 00 am PPP: Eucharist: Christ Church

10.30 am Holy Eucharist: St Margaret :

10.30 am Holy Eucharist: St Nicholas

No Service: St James

Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; ! Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11



Acknowledgement of Country: We acknowledge the cultures of our First Nation Peoples & are thankful for the community we share together. We pay our respects to the Kaurna People.

The Baptism of our Lord, January 9 2022

Sentence

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' Luke 3:22

Collect

Loving God, your Son came to seek the lost, and was baptised with sinners: grant that we, who have been baptised in his name, may reach out in love to those in need with the mercy of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever. **Amen**

Thought for the Week:

In the reading from Luke's gospel today, we see the comparison between the notorious Herod Antipas and Jesus himself. John's criticism of the puppet king leads to prison and eventually death. Jesus, conversely, doesn't meet with earthly condemnation or even earthly approval. Rather, the Holy Spirit appears and the heavenly voice says of him, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased'.

Lord, may I live my life in such a way that you find yourself well pleased with me, your child.

- Give thanks for, and pray for all who are preparing for baptism this year.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

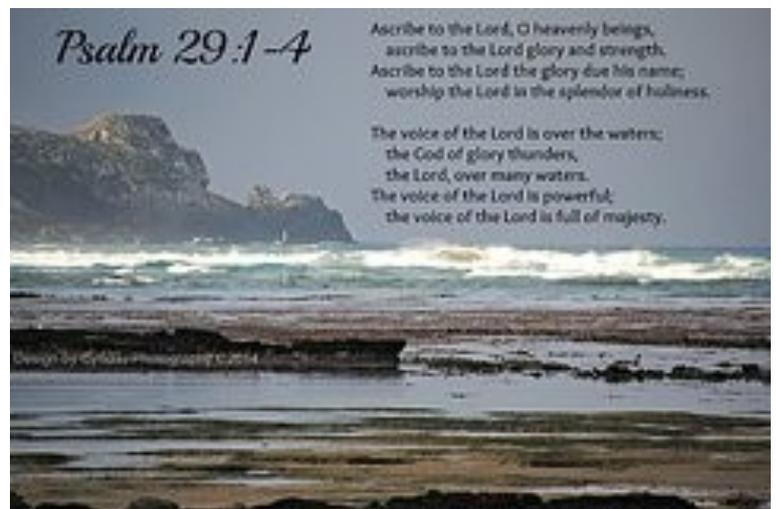
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Isaiah 43:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

*Hear the word of the Lord;
thanks be to God.*



Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendour. The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Acts 8:14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

John said: He who is to come is mightier than I;
he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Alleluia!



Luke 3:15-22

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke . **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**
As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptise you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. Now when all the people were baptised, and when Jesus also had been baptised and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



In the Parish This Week

All items for Church Chatter should be either e-mailed (sanderwt@bigpond.com) or texted (0410 548 040) to the Editor by Wednesday evening. Thank you for your cooperation.

Today: 2.00 pm, ACH Yankalilla

Monday: Another day to be with the Lord

Tuesday: Another day to be with the Lord

Wednesday: Another day to be with the Lord

NO Scripture Study S. Margaret

Thursday: Another day to be with the Lord

Friday: Another day to be with the Lord

Saturday: Another day to be with the Lord



Prayer of the week

.Almighty God, who anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son: inspire us, your children, who are born again of water and the Spirit, to surrender our lives to your service, that we may rejoice to be called your children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church Chatter:

Christian Care and Support Centre— needs supplies for January 2021. Place staple items in the outside basket or deliver to the Centre. Forget? Make a donation!

Those we pray for this week:

We pray for ABM and The Amity Foundation of the Protestant Churches in China and we pray for Anglican MU Australia & Vision for the Future. We give thanks for teachers of Bunda College, Tanzania. We pray for the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn – Bishop Mark Short, Bishops Carol Wagner and Stephen Pickard, the clergy and people . We pray for BCA Schools Ministry Coordinator, Darwin, David Pohlman & Margaret and the Children's Ministry Officer, Naomi Ireland: and Part-time Chaplains of the RAN and the Defence Force Anglican Chaplaincy Inc...

In our Diocese we pray for Bp Keith Dalby and for his wife Alice and family; and for Parish of the Hills, Fr Thomas Karamakuzhiyil, and people. We give thanks for the ministry of all Sunday Schools, creches and activities run by our parishes for and with children and for their leaders. We pray for encouragement of children in church life and worship. We also pray for Pastoral Care worker, Steve Brooks, Seaford Primary School .

Those we continue to pray for:

Izabelle; Peta; Mariette; Joanne; Peter G, Peter C; Samantha; Fiona; Brenton; Sue; Pat; Brendon; Bill; David H; Diane; Jean; Carolyn; Allison; Angela; Carol; Shirley; Lucy Ann; Margaret, Lyn; Irene; Linda; Tina; Wendy; Chris; Trevor; Liz; Tristan & Trish S; Carole and family; Peter, Eleni and Nicholas; Jac Bishop, Joanie; Andrew; Kerrie; David Jones; Claire; Jean; Dan Thomas; Trish; Claire; Fr Graham & Catherine; & Blair; Aileen; Ann; Tom & Nick; Stephen, Bill, Eileen Cook; Tessa; Yvonne Scrutton; Sylvia; Gabrielle, Brenda; Judith; Ted & Joyce and Miriam; Fr Graham Cooling & Catherine; and *any others we wish to remember*.