

**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 Vigil Eucharist: St Stephen

Next Sunday: Pentecost 17

9.00 am Family Service: St Ann

9.00 am Holy Eucharist: Christ Church

10.30 am Holy Eucharist St Margaret

10.30 am Holy Eucharist : St Nicholas:

No Service: St James



Next Sunday Readings Lamentations 1:1-6; Psalm 137; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

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.

Sentence

September 25, 2022 Pentecost 16

Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed.

The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

James 5:16

Collect

O God, from whom light rises in darkness for those who seek you: grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you would have us do, that in your light we may see light, and in your narrow path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

Thought for the Week: Today's reading from St Luke relates to us the story often known as *Dives* (which is Latin for 'the rich man') and *Lazarus* (which means 'the one whom God has helped'). It is the story of a rich man without compassion and a beggar. The story is a warning to get things in order before it is too late.

Lazarus is accepted into the 'bosom of Abraham' – the founder of God's covenant people. *Abraham's bosom* was a contemporary Jewish term for the lodging place of the godly dead prior to the expected general resurrection. But it was Lazarus who was rescued by God. But for all his expensive clothing (purple cloth and fine linen were top-of-the-line couture) the rich man found himself with a permanent impassable gulf between Sheol and the unending joy of heaven. His money wasn't the problem: his indifference in the face of suffering was. Every Jew knew the Old Testament laws commanding the compassionate use of riches, so the rich man had no excuse for his wanton neglect of one whom he saw regularly (vv. 20-21) and could have helped easily.

- Jesus Christ, lover of the poor, let me see the needy through your eyes. Let me offer as much help as I can. Help me always to be kind.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council.

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Jeremiah 32:1-3a,6-15

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord. And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

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



Psalm 91:1-6,14-16

**¹You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
²will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."
³For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence;
⁴he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
⁵You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day,
⁶or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday.
¹⁴Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.
¹⁵When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.
¹⁶With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

1 Timothy 2: 6:6-19

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy.

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Hear the word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

Luke 16:19-31

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

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

In the Mission Partnership This Week

All items for Church Chatter should be either e-mailed (sanderwt@bigpond.com) or phoned (0410548040) to the Editor by Wednesday evening. Thank you for your cooperation.

Today: Another day to be with the Lord

Monday: Another day to be with the Lord

Tuesday: Another day to be with the Lord

11.15 am Prayers for Peace. S. Nicholas

Wednesday: Another day to be with the Lord

10.00 am Scripture Study, S. Margaret 6.00 pm

Thursday: **Michael & All Angels**

Friday: Another day to be with the Lord

Saturday: Another day to be with the Lord



Prayer of the week

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant us such measure of your grace that, running in the way of your commandments, we may obtain your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Church Chatter:

Christian Care and Support Centre— needs supplies for September 2022. Place gifts (staple items preferred) in the outside basket or deliver to the Centre. Forget? Make a donation!

Those we pray for this week:

Lord God, bring us together as one, reconciled with you and reconciled with each other. We pray for King Charles III. God save the King! Pray for ABM & Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns and for Anglican Mothers' Union Australia & environmental issues. We give thanks for Christian Publishers in China. We pray for the Diocese of Northern Territory, Bishop, Greg Anderson, clergy and people. We give thanks for the ministry of BCA staff, Lukr & Julia Collings, Moranbah, Queensland, and for lay ministers looking after the Parishes in Longreach, Barcaldine & Winton, Queensland. We pray for RAAF Specialist Reserve Chaplains and staff of Defence Hospitals.

In our Diocese we pray for Bp Keith Dalby, and family. We pray for the Parish of Strathalbyn, Fr Andrew Klynsmith, Dn Margaret Holt, and people. We give thanks for all involved in the musical offerings the Diocese. We give thanks for the ministry of Pastoral Care worker, Wendy Lindsay, Yankalilla Area School.

Those we continue to pray for: We pray for: Jac Bishop: Eileen Cook; Yvonne Scrutton; Brenda; Ted & Joyce, Catherine Cooling; Ursula Pridham; Trish McD; Barbara Webber; Tom Arnold, Nicholas & Ben; Sue & Frank Thomas; Gordon Russell; Emily and her family: and *any others we wish to remember.* **If you wish to add people from a previous list or add new people, please contact the Editor.**