

NOTICES

Welcome

Today we welcome Archer Fraser and his family and friends. Archer will be baptized at the 9.30 service.

Annual General Meeting

The meeting (for reporting purposes only) will be held next Sunday commencing at 11am. Please collect a report book today! We thank our Parish Administrator, Dianne Kemp, for her work in collating all reports in preparation for the AGM.

For the Men of St Mark's

The first session of Blokes and Beers for this year will be held this Thursday from 5.30pm in the Cucina Bar of the Albion Hotel. No need to RSVP. Come for a relaxed chat and a drink.

Generations Together

Over the last few years the Archbishop has recorded a video message for Anglican Schools offering a theme and challenge for the year. This year he has recorded a message for the whole Diocese. It can be found here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ut-teHt2yzs&t=9s> The theme for 2018 is *Generations Together* and focuses on encouraging connections across the generations. The theme ties in with the visit of John Roberto to the Clergy & Lay Conferences later in the year as intergenerational ministry is one of his areas of expertise.

GFS Youth Group

The next GFS session will be this Friday night. Children and young people in school grades 7 and above are welcome, including young adults.

Kids Plus+

Next Sunday at 9.30am! Also, can all parents whose children participate in KidsPlus+ please collect a GFS registration and Indemnity Form, complete and return it as soon as possible.

Less is More

Collect your free reflection booklet for Lent from Anglican Aid Abroad entitled Less is More.



THE ANGLICAN
PARISH OF CLAYFIELD
Bonney Avenue, Clayfield

Church of St Mark the Evangelist Pew Sheet

Welcome to St Mark's.
You are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Please stay for tea & coffee after the service.

Our Vision:
*Loving God,
Serving our
Local
Community,
Making
Disciples*

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Lent

40 days of preparation

Lent I
18 February
2018

Liturgical Colour: Violet

*Lent is a season of
preparation for Easter*

Services This Week

TODAY:

7.00 am Holy Communion

Celebrant: Canon Dr Murray Harvey
Preacher: The Rev'd Dr Stephen Lake

9.30 am Holy Communion

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MUSIC 7.00AM

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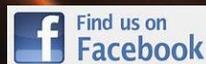
Scripture Sentence

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news. (*Mark 1:15*)

Prayer

God of the new and eternal covenant, as the forty days of the great flood swept away the world's corruption and watered new beginnings of righteousness and life: grant to us, who are washed clean and born again in the saving flood of baptism, the wellspring of your grace, that your gift of new life may flourish once again; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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FIRST READING AND PSALM

Genesis 9:8-17

A reading from the Book of Genesis

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' ¹²God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' ¹⁷God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm: 25:1-10 APBA page 244

WEEKLY OFFERING SUMMARY

Budgeted Weekly Collection \$1,936

Collections Last Week \$1,810

It costs approximately \$3,839 per week to run the parish.

DIRECT DEBIT DETAILS

Bank: NAB Account Name: St Mark's Clayfield

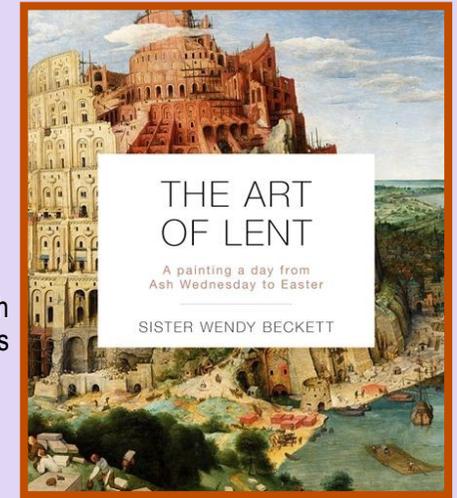
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The Art of Lent

LENT STUDIES 2018

Join us to explore the Christian faith more deeply during Lent. This book is the SPCK Lent Study for 2018 by Sister Wendy Beckett. Artists often address subjects that our culture seeks to avoid, and Sister Wendy's brilliant and perceptive reflections will help you to read these paintings with a more discerning eye and encounter deeper levels of spiritual meaning than may at first appear. Her intention is to encourage us to find a focus for prayer and self reflection as we journey towards Easter.



Purchase a hard copy from St Mark's or buy it as an eBook from various suppliers including:
<https://www.ebooks.com/95896558/the-art-of-lent/wendy-beckett-sister/>

Lent Groups are being offered as follows:

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP (10am Tuesdays) Sheldon Room (starts Tues 20th)

TUESDAY LENT GROUP (2pm Tuesdays) Janet Vacca's home (starts Tues 20th)

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP (11am Sundays) Sheldon Room (starts today)

Please write your name on the sheet if you would like to participate in a study group or if you require a copy of the book.

Observing Lent at Home

Life is busy! Family, work, school, extra-curricular activities, travel etc. occupy much if not all of our time. If you don't have time to attend a Lent study, try to spend time as a family or individually reflecting, praying, and preparing. The devotional resource on our website is intended to help: <http://stmarksclayfield.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/year-b-family-devotional-2018-lent1.pdf> as is the Christian Aid resource Count Your Blessings: <http://stmarksclayfield.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/Count-Your-Blessings-2018-adult.pdf>

What is Lent?

As early as the mid-fourth century, Christians have observed a time of preparation for Easter. The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and lasts for 40 days. The forty days of Lent recall the 40 day fast of Jesus in the wilderness after his baptism (Matthew 4:2, Luke 4:1-2) and Moses' 40 day fast on Mount Sinai (Exodus 34:28). It is a time of simplicity and preparation. The principal themes of Lent include penitence; baptismal renewal; preparation for baptism at Easter; prayer, fasting, service; and confession of sin rooted in the promise of God that comes through the cross of Christ. Purple is the seasonal colour which suggests the somberness & solemnity of this penitential season. The Gloria is omitted during Lent.

Come and Enjoy Yourself!



St Mark's Ladies' Guild hosts a Games Day at 10.00a.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (February – November).

Venue: St Mark's Anglican Church Hall, Clayfield



The admission charge of \$10.00 includes morning tea, lunch and a ticket in the Lucky Door prize.

Raffle tickets are 50 cents each.

Baked goods, preserves and craft are available for sale.

We welcome groups of up to 4 at a table, with your choice of game, Bridge, Mahjong, Canasta, Scrabble



Enquiries: Please contact the Church Office on 3862 2221, 9.00am–12pm, Mon-Fri.
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SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:18-22

A reading from the first letter of Peter

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

EXTRA NOTICE

World Day of Prayer—2 March at 10.00am

Our Lady Help of Christians Roman Catholic Church at Hendra is the Clayfield/Hamilton host for World Day of Prayer Australia 2018. We thank God for the small and beautiful country **Suriname** *All of God's Creation is Very Good!* We would love to see parishioners from the Anglican, Baptist, Catholic, Presbyterian and Uniting Church in Australia communities in the Clayfield/Hamilton area join us in this world wide ecumenical prayer event.

Our Lady Help of Christians 9 Bowman Street, Hendra

Morning tea afterwards in OLHC Parish Hall

All offers of assistance are warmly welcomed. Please contact your committee representative or Mary Nicholls on M: 0408080723 or alternatively OLHC Parish Office T: 07 3268 3040 for further information & assistance coordination.

<http://www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org/world-day-of-prayer/wdp-2018/>



GOSPEL READING

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

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The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

[Mark 1:9-15]

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'¹² And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

LENT EVENING SERVICE

Sunday 11 March 6pm

Join us for an informal service of worship exploring some of the key themes of Lent.

REFLECTION

Perhaps unwittingly the devil gives Jesus an opportunity to rehearse the sort of temptations that he will face in his ministry, especially as he approaches his passion and death. Unlike Matthew and Luke, Mark gives us no details about the nature of those temptations, so we are free to project onto Jesus' story here our own experience of wrestling with how to live in response to the purposes of God, and what resources we will need to draw on as we do.

From *Sunday by Sunday*, The Royal School of Church Music

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 20

8.15 Staff Meeting
10.00 Lent Study—Sheldon Room
2.00 Lent Study—J. Vacca's

Wednesday 21

10.00 Guild Games Day

Thursday 22

8.00 Morning Prayer
1.00 Deanery Chapter
5.30 Blokes and Beers

Friday 23

7.00 GFS Youth Group

Sunday 25

7.00 Eucharist
9.30 Eucharist
11.00 Annual General Meeting

EXTRA NOTICES

Easter Collection for the Homeless

This Lent we are collecting items for the pantry at Holy Trinity Church, Fortitude Valley. They have a long established ministry to the homeless of the inner city. These are the items they require: Cereal (usually Weetbix), Milk (UHT carton), Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Pasta, Pasta sauce, Noodles, Spaghetti, Rice, Biscuits, canned food (NOT Baked beans), Soup, Packet cup soup, Jam or other spreads, Toilet roll, Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrush. Please leave these items in the basket near the front door of the church. The last Sunday for collection will be Sunday 18th March to enable delivery and distribution before Easter.

Breakfast for Alex Crawford 18 March

On Sunday 18th March between services we will be holding a breakfast as a tribute to Alex Crawford, our former Churchwarden who died in 2017. The breakfast commences at 8am following the 7am service and will be finished in time for the 9.30 service. Please indicate your attendance by using the sign-up sheet. Entry by donation: funds to Matthew Hale Library and St Mark's Children & Youth Ministry—two ministries that were dear to Alex.

PRAYER

FOCUS

for this week

For St Mark's Outreach and Mission:
The Holy Trinity Pantry at the Valley — for those in need in the inner city.

The Sick: Please use the Intercessions Book for those who you know would like to be named in our Prayers of Intercession.

Anniversaries of the Faithful Departed:

Marjorie Stephens
Frances Peters
Clinton Bolger
Ben Bolger
Madge Shaw
Mary Frew
John Garnsey
Ivy Arnison
James Pates
Kathleen Pavitt
Lillian Rasmus

Wider Mission Focus for this Month:

CMS Missionaries. For cross-cultural mission.
www.cms.org.au

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