

NOTICES

Kids Plus+

KidsPlus+ is held on the 4th Sunday of the month, during the 9.15 service. All children are welcome to be involved in the service and after communion join in with games and craft and morning tea together.

GFS Youth group

GFS meets every 2nd, 4th & 5th Friday night of each month.

This group is for girls in high school and older.

Ladies Guild Games Days

The Ladies Guild invites you to join them for one of their friendly Games Days in the hall. These will commence on **Wednesday 15 February** from 9.30am.

All welcome!

Working Bees

Please consider joining our merry band of helpers and come along to our working bees. These are held on a Saturday morning commencing at 8.00am. The date for the next working bee will be advertised in the New Year.

“Ladies Lounge”—for all ages!

Ladies Lounge is held on the first Saturday of the month commencing on 4 February at 3.00—5.00pm in the church hall. Please bring a plate to share and something to drink and join us for a relaxed chat and get together.

All welcome.



Donation

WEEKLY OFFERING

DIRECT DEBIT DETAILS

Bank: NAB

Account Name: St Mark's Clayfield

BSB 084-004

A/c 50-838-9619

If you would specifically like to contribute to the “Projects”,

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:

William Nicoll
Percy Biggs
Molly Lettice
Philip Crook
Gwen Hagen
Ronald Godsell
Valerie Corish

Wider Mission Focus for this Month:

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

TENNIS COURT

You can book the tennis court online <https://stmarkstennis.com/>

\$12 per hour



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Bonney Avenue, Clayfield



Welcome to St Mark's!

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Epiphany 8 January 2023

Liturgical Colour: white

At Epiphany we celebrate Christ made known to the world

Today:

Feast of the Epiphany 6 January

8.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Rev'd Canon Nicki Colledge

Sentence of the Day

'Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. (Isaiah 60:1)

Collect

Everlasting God, who brought the nations to your light and kings to the brightness of your rising: fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the nations; through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We have a hearing loop available. Please turn hearing aids on to "T" switch.



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ROSTERS for Next Week

Roster for Sunday 15 January 8.30am

Reader:	Elaine Roberts & Rosemary Stride
Prayers:	Robert Standish-White
Liturgical Assistant:	Grant Connolly & Janet Vacca
Deacon:	
Welcomer:	Ian & Joan Hall
Offertory Count:	Ian & Joan Hall
Sound Room:	Kym Adams

Sundays in January—one Service 8.30am

There will only be ONE Sunday morning service from 1 Jan until 30 January 2023.

Morning Tea

We **will not be** having Morning Tea following the service until February.

DIARY DATES

There will only be one 8.30am service each Sunday of January

Sunday 15 January: 8.30am Service

Wednesday 18 January: 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

Sunday 22 January: 8.30am Service

Thursday 26 January: Australia Day public holiday

Sunday 29 January: 8.30am Service

Tuesday 31 January: All reports for the AGM Annual Report are due

Saturday 4 February: 3-5pm Ladies Lounge

Sunday 5 February: 7.30am Service

9.15am Service

Wednesday 15 February: 9.30am Guild Games Day

Sunday 26 February: 10.30 AGM

St Mark's Clayfield Epiphany House Blessing Sunday 1 - Sunday 8 January

On Sunday 8th January we will bless the church doors, and you can bless your own home.

It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.

One way of doing this is to use chalk blessed during the Epiphany liturgy and write above the home's entryway,

20 + C + M + B + 23

The letters C, M, B have two meanings.

- They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar.
- They also abbreviate the Latin words *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house."

The "+" signs represent the cross, and 2023 is the year.

May this new year be one of hope, joy and comfort. Lord be with us as we continue to try and love you and our neighbours. Guide us and protect us.

Amen.

GOSPEL READING - Matthew 2:1-12

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, chapter 2, beginning at the 1st verse

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹ In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.'

³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

⁵ They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶ "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."'

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.'

⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

FIRST READING

A reading from Isaiah 60:1-6

¹ Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
² For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
³ Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord .

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Primary Ichthus

Welcome back to Hannalore and Henry Monks who were campers at Primary Ichthus this week! Naomi Colledge was also a leader on camp. We look forward to a report!

PSALM 72:1-7,10-14

1 Give the king your judgement, O God:

and your righteousness to the son of a king,

**2 That he may judge your people rightly:
and the poor of the land with equity.**

3 Let the mountains be laden with peace
because of his righteousness:

and the hills also with prosperity for his people.

**4 May he give justice to the poor among the people:
and rescue the children of the needy,
and crush the oppressor.**

5 May he live while the sun endures:

and while the moon gives light,

throughout all generations.

**6 May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields:
and as showers that water the earth.**

7 In his time shall righteousness flourish:

and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.

**10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles
shall bring tribute:**

the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

11 All kings shall fall down before him:

and all nations do him service.

**12 He will deliver the needy when they cry:
and the poor that have no helper.**

13 He will pity the helpless and the needy:

and save the lives of the poor.

**14 He will redeem them from oppression and violence:
and their blood shall be precious in his sight.**

SECOND READING

A reading from Ephesians 3:1-12

¹ This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ² for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴ a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵ In former generations this mystery was not made known to human-kind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him .

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Holy Trinity Community Food Pantry

This week's special requests are:

Canned fruit

Canned veggies

Tinned hams, meats and fish

Ring pulled tins are preferable!

Many thanks.