

NOTICES

Morning Tea

Please join us for Morning Tea in the hall after both Services.

Morning Prayer

Join us for Morning Prayer each Thursday morning at 8.30am via Zoom.



Kids@Church—Play Church!

We will gather again on **Thursday 22 February** at 9.30am
For all little people and their carers.

GFS Youth Group

GFS meets every 2nd, 4th & 5th Friday night of each month in the hall. This group is for girls in high school and older.

WEEKLY OFFERING

DIRECT DEBIT DETAILS

Bank: NAB
Account Name: St Mark's Clayfield
BSB 084-004
A/c 50-838-9619



Donation

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 Stevens
Frances Peters
Clinton Bolger
Ben Bolger
Madge Shaw
Mary Frew
John Garnsey
Ivy Arnison
James Pates
Kathleen Pavitt
Lilian Rasmus

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/>
\$15 per hour



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CLAYFIELD

Bonney Avenue, Clayfield



Welcome
to
St Mark's!

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Blundell

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Lent
40 days of preparation

Lent 1

18 February 2024

Liturgical Colour: Violet

Lent is a season of preparation for Easter

Today:

7:30am Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Nicki Colledge
Preacher: The Rev'd Gary Blundell

9.15am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Nicki Colledge

We welcome the Hamilton Girl Guides today.

Sentence of the Day

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news. *Mark 1.15*

Collect

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.**

Acknowledgement of country

As we gather in this Church, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Turrbal and Jagera people, and pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.



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

Search for St Mark's Anglican Church Clayfield— Like our page, watch the Sunday sermons at your leisure!



ROSTERS

Roster for Today

7.30am		9.15am
Readers: Elaine R & Brenda H		Girl Guides
Prayers: Robert S-W		Petrea M
LA: Grant C & Janet V		Derek M
Deacon:		
Welcomer: Joan & Ian H		Dianne K
Off / Count: Joan & Ian H & Brenda H		Help Please
Sound Rm: Di G		Kym A
Morning Tea:		Helen & Steven S

Roster for Next Week Sunday 25 February

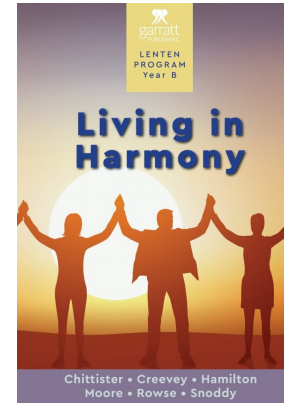
7.30am		9.15am
Readers: Lorelle W & Robert S-W		Isobel L & Lorelle T
Prayers: Malcolm L		Young People
LA: Diana O		Alison Reid
Deacon: David A		Ally B
Welcomer: Peter B & Jan J		Fred & Margaret L
Off / Count: Peter B & Jan J		Margaret L & Nikki H
Sound Rm: Jan F		Lorelle T & Ben R
Morning Tea:		Kirsty T & John R

DIARY DATES

Sunday 18 Feb:	9.15am	Girl Guides Parade
Wednesday 21 Feb:	9.30am	Guild Games Day
	2.00pm	NEBICC meeting at St Mark's
Sunday 25 Feb:	10.30am	Annual General Meeting
Monday 26 Feb:	10.00am	St Mark's craft group
Wednesday 28 Feb:	10am	Eucharist
Friday 1 March:	10am	World Day of Prayer - Clayfield Uniting Church
Tuesday 12 March:	7.00pm	Parish Council meeting
Saturday 16 Mar:	7.30am	Working Bee
Thurs 28 March	6.00pm	Maundy Thurs
Fri 29 March:	8.30am	Good Friday Service
	10.30am	All Ages Messy Good Friday
Sunday:31 March:		Easter Sunday

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PREPARE FOR EASTER—Lent is here!



LENT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

“Harmony is a discipline. It has to be won, held, remade, revalued. At its best, it is built around the joyful play of difference, a mutual love and respect, and a treasuring of other voices and ways “ - join Canon Nicki exploring Harmony this Lent, either in a small group meeting weekly, or in your own time and place.

**Join us Thursdays 11am,
in the Memorial Chapel (back of church).
Sign on Sheet at back of Church &
Copies of booklet available \$10 each**

A Letter from Mercy Ships

Dear St Mark's Church Clayfield community,

In the past year, the Mercy Ships community, fuelled by your generosity, have made a significant impact in three African countries – Senegal, The Gambia, and Sierra Leone.

This year, equipped with a two-ship fleet, Mercy Ships, alongside its host nations, has the potential to double the impact in 2024.

We believe that the stories featured in this newsletter will not only bring you joy but also serve as a source of inspiration. These stories embody courage, resilience, and survival, and they belong to you as much as they do to us. Each story highlights the crucial role of your selfless generosity and the immediate, lifelong impact it creates every single day.

Once again, we express our sincere gratitude for your kind and compassionate support of our mission to restore hope and transform lives.

God Bless,
Sue O'Donnell, Church Co-ordinator



GOSPEL READING - Mark 1:9-15

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, chapter 1, beginning at the 9th verse.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And 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. ¹¹ And 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.

¹³ He 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, ¹⁵ and 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

A Girl Guide Prayer

Almighty God, by your Grace alone we are able to live our Christian faith.

We ask you to inspire us, and our fellow Guides around the world, to love and obey you every day.

Help us to think wisely, speak kindly, act bravely, live purely.

Bless us in body and spirit, and may we be a blessing to our friends and family.

May your presence strengthen us in life, keep us from all evil, and comfort us in sickness.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen!

Girl Guide Promise

I Promise that I will do my best
To be true to myself and develop my beliefs
To serve my community and Australia
And live by the Guide Law

FIRST READING

Genesis 9:8-17

⁸ 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, ¹⁰ and 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. ¹¹ I 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.'

¹² God 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: ¹³ I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I 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.

¹⁶ When 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.' ¹⁷ God 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

St Mark's Craft Group

St Mark's craft group meet in the church hall every 2nd & 4th

Monday at 10.00am commencing on 12 February.

Bring along your own work or learn something new.

Phone the church office 2862 2221 for details.

All welcome!

Ladies Guild Games Days

The Ladies Guild invites you to join them for their friendly Games Day in the hall recommencing next **Wednesday**

21 February from 9.30am. All welcome!

Kids Plus+

KidsPlus+ is on **NEXT** Sunday, during the 9.15am service.

All children are welcome to be involved in the service and join in with games and craft.

PSALM

¹ In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope:
**in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

² Let none who wait for you be put to shame:
**but let those that break faith
be confounded and gain nothing.**

³ Show me your ways, O Lord:
and teach me your paths.

⁴ Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me:
for you are the God of my salvation.

⁵ In you have I hoped all the day long:
because of your goodness, O Lord.

⁶ Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness:
for they are from of old.

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth,
nor my transgressions:
but according to your mercy think on me.

⁸ Good and upright is the Lord:
therefore will he direct sinners in the way.

⁹ The meek he will guide in the path of justice:
and teach the humble his ways.

¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true:
for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.

Holy Trinity Community Food Pantry

This week's special requests are:

Canned goods: Meat & Vegetables, soup, packet cup of soup,
tomatoes, canned vegetables— peas, carrots, corn,
Fish (tuna, salmon or sardines), fruit (small tins).
Toiletries: Shampoo, deodorant & moisturiser.

Many thanks.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3.18-22

¹⁸ 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, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who 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. ²¹ And 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, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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Thanks be to God

2024 Annual General Meeting Next Sunday!

The meeting will be held next Sunday 25 February,
commencing at 10.30am in the hall.

Working Bee Dates for 2024

4 March -7.30am
18 May - 8.00am
17 Aug –8.00am
19 Oct –7.30am
16 Nov -7.30am

Other dates may be added where necessary.