



# THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CLAYFIELD

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## Welcome to St Mark's!

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# Lent

40 days of preparation

**Lent 2**

**25 February 2024**

Liturgical Colour: Violet

*Lent is a season of preparation for Easter*

### Today:

**7:30am Holy Communion**

Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rev'd Canon Nicki Colledge

**9.15am Holy Communion**

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**10.00am Wednesday - Eucharist**

**AGM today at 10.30 in the hall.**

### Sentence of the Day

If you want to become a disciple of Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow him. *Mark 8.34*

### Collect

God of all times and places, in Jesus Christ, who was lifted up on the cross, you opened for us the path to eternal life: grant that we, being born again of water and the Spirit, may joyfully serve you in newness of life and faithfully walk in your holy ways; **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.



## 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 7 March** 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:

Eleanor Palmer  
Cecelia King  
Shirley Breckenridge

#### Wider Mission Focus for this Month:

CMS Missionaries. For cross-cultural mission.  
[www.cms.org.au](http://www.cms.org.au)

#### TENNIS COURT

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

\$15 per hour

## FIRST READING

## Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

<sup>1</sup> When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. <sup>2</sup> And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.'

<sup>3</sup> Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup> 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup> No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup> I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup> I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.'

<sup>15</sup> God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup> I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

## Containers For Change!

Cans and bottles can be dropped off at the Albion collection centre.

Remember to recycle your wine & spirit bottles as well!

**So easy - drive into 29 Park St Albion, a nice person will meet you, provide the code below and \$\$ comes to the parish!**

**Our Parish member number is: C10089230**

### Kids Plus+

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

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

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



## PSALM 22: 24-32

<sup>24</sup> O praise the Lord, all you that fear him:

**hold him in honour, O seed of Jacob,  
and let the seed of Israel stand in awe of him.**

<sup>25</sup> For he has not despised nor abhorred  
the poor man in his misery:

**nor did he hide his face from him,  
but heard him when he cried.**

<sup>26</sup> From you springs my praise in the great congregation:

**I will pay my vows in the sight of all that fear you;**

<sup>27</sup> The meek shall eat of the sacrifice and be satisfied:

**and those who seek the Lord shall praise him—  
may their hearts rejoice for ever!**

<sup>28</sup> Let all the ends of the earth remember  
and turn to the Lord:

**and let all the families of the nations worship before him.**

<sup>29</sup> For the kingdom is the Lord's:

**and he shall be ruler over the nations.**

<sup>30</sup> How can those who sleep in the earth do him homage:

**or those that descend to the dust bow down before him?**

<sup>31</sup> But he has saved my life for himself:

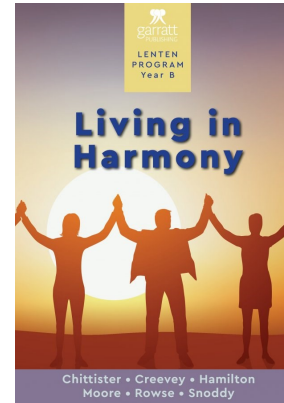
**and my posterity shall serve him.**

<sup>32</sup> This shall be told of my Lord to a future generation:

**and his righteousness declared to a people yet unborn,  
that he has done it.**

## NOTICES

### 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**



### Pizza & Palm Crosses

Come and join GFS for pizza  
and then palm cross making on Friday  
22 March at 6.00pm in the hall.

**Everyone welcome!**



### Lenten Mission for Anglicare – raising funds for backpacks for kids in Foster Care

During Lent we are raising funds to create filled backpacks to provide children and teens who are being removed from their homes and transferred into foster care.

Please take an envelope for your donation or you may donate online noting “backpacks”.



## GOSPEL READING - Mark 9:2-9

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, chapter 9, beginning at the 2nd verse.

### Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

<sup>2</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup> and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup> And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' <sup>6</sup> He did not know what to say, for they were terrified.

<sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' <sup>8</sup> Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

### 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.

#### Working Bee Dates for 2024

Note changed date: 16 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.

## SECOND READING Romans 4:13-25

<sup>13</sup> For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup> For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup> as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup> Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.'

<sup>19</sup> He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup> No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.'

<sup>23</sup> Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup> but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup> who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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