

Rosters – Christmas Eve and Day

Thank you to those who have offered for the following ministries for the Christmas services. Please pin this to your fridge or make a note of the roster for your diary:

Christmas Eve: 6.00pm

Welcomers: Elizabeth Gillan & Nikki Hunt
Counters: Nikki Hunt
Reader: Sara Grima & Rosemary Stride
Intercessor: Naomi Colledge & children
LA: Ally Bray & Derek Matthews
Sound Room: Diana Grima

Christmas Day: 8.30am

Welcomers: Margaret & Fred Leditschke, Dianne Kemp
Counters: M Leditschke & Peter Kemp
Reader: Naomi C & Richard C
Intercessor: Rev Nicki & Children
LA: Diana Osbaldiston
Sound room: Diana Grima

Christmas 1 (29 December):

Eucharist 8.30am

Welcomers: Ian & Joan Hall
Counters: Ian & Joan Hall
Reader: Rod McLary & Robert Standish-White
Intercessor: Brenda Higgins
LA: Petrea Matthews & Grant Connolly
Deacon: David Adams



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Bonney Avenue, Clayfield



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**Advent 4
22 December
2024**

Liturgical Colour: Violet

At Advent we prepare for
the coming of Christ

Today:

8:30am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher:
The Rev'd Canon Nicki Colledge

Christmas Eve: 6pm	Canon Nicki
Christmas Day: 8.30am	Canon Nicki



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

Sentence of the Day

Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord. *Luke 1.45*

Collect

Gracious God,
you have visited your people and redeemed us in your Son:
as we prepare to celebrate his birth, make our hearts leap
for joy at the sound of your word, and move us by your
Spirit to bless your wonderful works. We ask this through
him whose coming is certain, whose Day draws near, your
Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, 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.

ROSTERS

Roster for Today

8.30am

Readers: Diana O & Lorelle W
Prayers: Malcolm L
LA: Alison R
Deacon: David A
Welcomer: Fred & Margaret L
Off / Count: Nikki H & Margaret L
Sound Rm: Di G
Morning Tea: John R & Kirsty T

Roster for 29th December

8.30am

Reader: Robert S-W & Rod McL
Prayers: Brenda H
LA: Petrea M & Grant C
Deacon: David A
Welcomer: Ian & Joan H
Off /Count: Ian & Joan H

Tuesday 24 Dec **Christmas Eve:** 6.00pm Family Christmas Service
Wednesday 25 Dec **Christmas Day:** 8.30am Christmas Eucharist
Sunday 29 Dec: 8.30am Eucharist

*The Parish Office will be closed from
1pm Monday 23rd December until Monday 6th January.*

*If a matter is urgent, please make contact with Rev Nicki 0405 354 035.
Please follow up any voicemails with a text to be certain your
message is received.*

DIARY DATES



Join us for Christmas at
**St Mark's Anglican
Church, Bonney Ave,
Clayfield**

**Tuesday December 24
Christmas Eve
Family Service
6.00pm**

Wednesday December 25
**Christmas Day
Holy Communion
8.30am**

Sunday December 29
**Christmas 1
8.30am**

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NOTICES

Morning Tea

Please join us for Morning Tea in the hall following the Service.

Christmas Services

**Tuesday December 24
Christmas Eve**

An all ages Family Service 6pm

**Wednesday December 25
Christmas Day**

Christmas Eucharist 8.30am

**Sunday 29 December
Christmas 1
8.30am**



WEEKLY OFFERING

DIRECT DEBIT DETAILS

Bank: NAB

Account Name: St Mark's Clayfield

BSB 084-004

A/c 50-838-9619



TENNIS COURT

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

\$15 per hour

Tennis payments



PRAYER

FOCUS

for this week

For St Mark's
Outreach and
Mission:

Anglicare. For those in need and distress.

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:

Betty Allom
Nellie Rasmus
Valentine Crooke
Dan Hart
Cecilia Fielding

Wider Mission Focus for this Month:

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

FIRST READING

Micah 5:2-5a

- ² But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.
- ³ Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.
- ⁴ And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth;
- ⁵ and he shall be the one of peace. If the Assyrians come into our land and tread upon our soil, we will raise against them seven shepherds and eight installed as rulers.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Kids Plus+ TODAY

KidsPlus+ is held TODAY during the **8.30am service**. All children are welcome to be involved in the service and after communion join in with games and craft and morning tea together.



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



Everyone is WELCOME Here

PSALM

Song of Mary

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord:
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

**Who has looked with favour on his lowly servant:
from this day all generations will call me blessed;**

The Almighty has done great things for me:
and holy is his name.

**God has mercy on those who fear him:
from generation to generation.**

The Lord has shown strength with his arm:
and scattered the proud in their conceit,

**Casting down the mighty from their thrones:
and lifting up the lowly.**

God has filled the hungry with good things:
and sent the rich away empty.

**He has come to the aid of his servant Israel:
to remember the promise of mercy,**

The promise made to our forebears:
to Abraham and his children for ever.

**Glory to God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.**

NOTICES

PLEASE NOTE: Each Sunday there will be
ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 8.30AM
Until the end of January 2025

Thank you Michael Leunig (1945–2024)

*God bless this tiny little boat
And me who travels in it;
It stays afloat for years and years
And sinks within a minute.*

*And so the soul in which we sail
Unknown by years of thinking
Is deeply felt and understood
The minute that it's sinking.*



Containers For Change!

In 2023 our parish gained over \$3000 simply through keeping cans and bottles and taking them to the Albion collection centre.

Remember to recycle your wine & spirit bottles as well!

So easy - drive into 22 Collingwood St Albion, a nice person will meet you, provide the code below and \$\$ comes to the parish!

Our Parish member number is: C10089230

GOSPEL READING - Luke 1:39-45

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, chapter 1, beginning at the 39th verse.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰ where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴² and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³ And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴ For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. ⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

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, tomatoes, corn kernels vegetables e.g. peas & carrots, fish tuna salmon or sardines, fruit small tins, chick peas, lentils, butter beans, baked beans.

Packet cup soup, jam, vegemite & peanut butter.

Toiletries: Shampoo, deodorant, moisturiser.

Many thanks

SECOND READING Hebrews 10:5-10

⁵ Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, 'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; ⁶ in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings you have taken no pleasure. ⁷ Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God" (in the scroll of the book it is written of me).' ⁸ When he said above, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt-offerings and sin-offerings' (these are offered according to the law), ⁹ then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. ¹⁰ And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



Parish Administrator, St Mark's Clayfield

We are advertising soon for someone suitable to join our Parish Administration Team. This will be a shared role, 12-15 hours per week across 3-4 days (negotiable).

We are thankful for so many years of faithful office and pastoral work from Petrea Matthews, who has decided to hang up her pen and paper at the end of this month. We will miss her! But she will never be far!

Dianne Kemp will continue in her role as Administrator, mentoring the second appointment.

If you know of anyone who may be interested, please email The Rev Canon Nicki at revnicki@stmarksclayfield.org. Applications due by 17th January 2025.