

Sharing God's love in our community:
Faith, Hope, Fellowship

2nd & 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
14th & 21st January, 2018



IMPORTANT NOTICE - SIDESPERSON ROSTER

Would those presently on the sidesperson rosters who are unable to continue or any parishioner who would be willing to be a part of the new rosters for 2018 please contact Trevor Owen on 8297 5327 or 0417 825 387. Thank you

VESTRY REPORTS

It's time to get the resources ready for the Vestry report. Please ensure Pauline has them by Sunday 21st January. Either send to Pauline.glover60@gmail.com or hand a written copy to Vanessa. Thanks

CRAFT resumes 10am, Tuesday 30th January. ALL WELCOME

Readings for 21st January, 2018

1st Reading: Jonah 3: 1 - 10
Psalm: 62: 5 - 12
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29 - 31
Gospel: Mark 1: 14 - 20



Readings for 28th January, 2018

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 18: 15 - 20
Psalm: 111
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 8: 1 - 13
Gospel: Mark 1: 21 - 28



PARISH MINISTRY TEAM

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WELCOME

Fr Peter Thomson who joins us today and next week. Fr Michael Lane will be with us on the 28th January.

Please join us for morning tea and a chat following the service.



DIARY OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY	2nd Sunday after Epiphany	14th January
	8.00am Eucharist	
	10.00am Sung Eucharist	
WEDNESDAY	10.00am Healing Service & Communion	
	7.00pm Parish Council	
THURSDAY	Confession of Peter	
SUNDAY	3rd Sunday after Epiphany	21st January
	8.00am Eucharist	
	10.00am Sung Eucharist	
WEDNESDAY	10.00am Holy Communion	
THURSDAY	Conversion of Paul, the Apostle	
SUNDAY	4th Sunday after Epiphany	28th January
	8.00am Eucharist	
	10.00am Sung Eucharist	
WEDNESDAY	10.00am Holy Communion	

During Holy Communion we invite everyone to come forward as you are able, to receive the bread and wine (if this is your Christian practice) or a blessing. You may sit, kneel or stand during any part of the service, including while receiving Communion. Low gluten wafers are available - please let the priest know if you need one.

BIRTHDAY: Julie Spargo (15th) Peter Miller (21st)
Jean Acres (21st) Elliot Coscia (21st) Mary Davey (22nd)

PRAYER REQUESTS: Charmaine Fuller, Kel Pitman, Theresa Pulford, Bradley Ryder, Hank Middleton and those on the long term prayer list

We keep a **long-term prayer list** on the main altar for those who have ongoing issues to deal with. Names on this list are not published, are added as needed, and only removed when the issue has come to an end
Please see Vanessa if you would like a name added to either list.

YEARS MIND: David Boughen Charles Willing
Jill Gore Malcolm Rodgers Fr Andrew King
Georgina Turnbull Betty Weaver Edith Davidson

The gospel has an interesting dialogue to consider. Jesus asks those who follow him, 'What do you want?' Imagine Jesus turning to you and asking, 'What do you want?' What is your answer? Why are you following Jesus? The disciples ask, in response, 'Where do you live?' Again, this is a very good question. Where does Jesus 'live'? Jesus invites these two disciples to 'come and see'. This same invitation is issued to each one of us. Discipleship is a journey of discovery. We discover more about Jesus and ourselves the more we are willing to 'come and see'. As all our other New Year's resolutions fade, perhaps this is one we can keep: to come and see where Jesus lives throughout the course of this year. *IHS Daily Prayer*

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany **14 January**
Today the Psalmist sings of God, 'You are acquainted with all my ways'. How do we respond to God being with us even from before we were born? Which of our ways do we need to change, given that God knows all about them?

Pray that we might 'Turn from evil and do good, seek peace and pursue it' (Psalm 34.14)

The Confession of Peter **18 January**
'As for me,' says the Psalmist, 'I will be talking of the glorious splendour of your majesty: I will tell the story of your marvellous works'. Others of course will have different priorities. In the same way, St Peter tells us that Jesus is 'the Messiah, the Son of the living God'. He does this at Caesarea Philippi, a place now called Baniyas, where today one can see the ruins of a temple to Caesar, and another to the Greek god, Pan, as well as one dedicated to Pan's dancing goats. Like the Psalmist, St Peter made the choice to tell others about who God really is.

Despite the varied priorities of others, may ours be to glorify God and to show others who God really is.

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany **21 January**
The Psalmist tells us today to wait in silence for God. This does not mean, do nothing, but rather it means that we should rid ourselves of all other distractions so that we can focus on the most important thing: God. By doing this we prepare ourselves for when we are called by the Spirit to play a part in God's mission.

Pray that the Spirit will help you to remove all distractions so that you can focus on the most important thing of all: God

The Conversion of St Paul **25 January**
Today the Church celebrates the Apostle to the Gentiles, St Paul, the great missionary. The Psalmist exhorts us to 'praise the Lord, all you nations: O praise him, all you peoples'. May we, like St Paul do that, encouraging others to do the same.

Pray for all those who engage in mission in far-away places, and for those whose mission field is within your own city or town.

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