



## FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

We know that life is precious and that life is frail. We know, however confident and boisterous we might be feeling, that the veil between life and death is gossamer thin.

So this week, as we continue our Lenten journey, when we are told that to follow Jesus means taking up our crosses - how are we to respond? If life is as precious and tender a gift as all that, then why spend it living for God? Why not simply enjoy it while it lasts? Why waste it?

And yet. When we live for ourselves we burden ourselves with all the worries and anxiety of self-preservation. We take on all the responsibility of our lives. In choosing to take up the cross and follow Jesus, we relinquish that responsibility which in turn frees us up to live.

In John's Gospel Jesus says he comes to bring life in all its fullness; here in Mark we have a hint as how to achieve this freedom - and it is in denying ourselves and living for God.

It's that denial, bringing that freedom, that allows us to live lives without worrying constantly about that gossamer-thin veil between life and death. In learning to live for God, we unburden ourselves and find true freedom.

Please also remember to make sure your diaries are marked with our **joint 8.30am service this Sunday, 25th February**, which will be immediately followed by sparkling wine and our Annual Meeting.

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## THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

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**8.30am**

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Presider	Fr Patrick
Preacher	Fr Patrick
Liturgical Assistant	John Beach
Server	Jolanta Edwards
Readers	Sue Merryl Teresa Lloyd
Welcomers	Bill & Teresa
Morning Tea	Diane & Susan
Readings	Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22.24-32 Romans 4.13-25 Mark 8.31-38

### SENTENCE

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

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

#### PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER

Beaumont St, Beatrice Tce, Carfin St, Esker St, Charlton St, Our Lady Help of Christians RC Church, Hendra.

#### FOR HEALING

Ange Batiste, Kim Robb, Libby Yap, Kate Smith, CJ Gollledge, Nick Beck, Emilia Hook, Betty Dingle, Phim, Diane Peterson, Jackie Thomas, Glenda, Jordan Bilney, Ken Slipper, Katie, Josephine Cornish, Jodie Geddes, Val Curry, Robert and Mary Edwards, Ian Cameron, Reg Staines, Gwenda Allen, Brett Rogers.

#### IN MEMORY

26.02.2014 Dorothy Lois Davis

27.02.2009 Dorothy Tindale

01.03.2008 Ronald Charles Campbell

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

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; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### COLLECT OF THE WEEK

Remember, O Lord, what you have wrought in us and not what we deserve, and, as you have called us to your service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# THE WEEK AHEAD

## **MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY**

8am Morning Prayer (Online only)

5pm Evening Prayer (Online only)

## **TUESDAY 27TH**

8am Morning Prayer (Online only)

5pm Evening Prayer (Online only)

## **WEDNESDAY 28TH**

8am Morning Prayer (Online only)

10am Eucharist

5pm Evening Prayer (Online only)

## **THURSDAY 29TH**

8am Morning Prayer (Online only)

4.15pm Meditation (in Columbarium)

5pm Evening Prayer (in Columbarium)

## **FRIDAY 1ST MARCH**

CLERGY DAY OFF

## **SATURDAY 2ND**

7.30am Columbarium Eucharist

## **SUNDAY 3RD**

### **THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

7.30am Said Eucharist (with hymns)

19.30am Sung Eucharist (with hymns and choir)

# REGULAR GROUPS

*Contact Parish office for more information.*

## **MONDAYS**

1.30-4.30pm Community Quilting Group: Weekly

## **WEDNESDAYS**

2-4pm Crafties: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays

2-4pm Mahjong: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays

5-6pm English Conversation Class: Weekly during term time

## **THURSDAYS**

2.30pm Bible Study: Running During Lent

4.15pm Meditation in Columbarium

## **SATURDAYS**

7.30am Requiem Eucharist: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of month

# NEWS

## **ONE 8.30am SERVICE ON SUNDAY**

There will be a joint 8.30am service this Sunday, 25th February. Diaries can also be marked with Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday as joint 8.30am services!

## **CHILDRENS MINISTRY DONATIONS**

Thank you to all those who have so far responded so generously for the funding of this position. If you or anyone you know might be interested in applying, please do let us know - a job description is now ready to be circulated.

## **LENT BIBLE STUDY**

The Lent Bible study will continue on Thursdays at 2.30pm in the Parish Office - and will run weekly in Lent, with the final one on Thursday 22nd March. All are welcome to join us.

## **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

World Day of Prayer Service is at 10am on Friday 1st March, Clayfield Uniting Church, 170 Bonney Avenue Clayfield. The host country this year (allocated back in 2019) is Palestine. All are welcome to attend.

## **PANTRY CHALLENGE**

This week's challenge is soap of which they are short. The Pantry is really grateful for our support. Don't forget that there is a bin outside the office if it is easier to bring your donation on another day.

## **EMAIL NEWSLETTERS**

Please let us know if you are not in receipt of the newsletters by email – this is a much more efficient way of keeping you up to date with all that's going on, and Fr Patrick sends out a weekly email with more news.

## NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES

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	7.30am	9.30am
Presider	Fr Patrick	Fr Patrick
Preacher	Fr Patrick	Fr Patrick
Liturgical Assistant	Lisa Bateson	Jolanta Edwards
Server	Erwin	Jolanta
Readers	Christine Crook Ann Muir	Hugh Luckhurst-Smith Annie O'Dowd
Welcomers	Christine & Ann	Hugh
Morning Tea	Merryl & Suzette	Elena
Readings	Exodus 20.1-17 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 1.18-25 John 2.13-22	Exodus 20.1-17 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 1.18-25 John 2.13-22

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Churchwardens	Darryl Barber
	Lisa Bateson
	John Beach
Administrator	Erayne Stuart
Columbarium	Erayne Stuart

### YOUR GIVING MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

It costs \$5000 a week to run the parish. This includes ministry costs, the provision of our music, upkeep of the church, keeping the office running and our missional giving. We depend on your generosity - it is appreciated!

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Hamilton Anglican Parish  
BSB: 704-901  
ACC: 00000210

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### LIVE-STREAMING

In an effort to reach a broad audience and in order to cater for those unable to be with us in person, St Augustine's live streams its services and events and records them for broadcast via the internet. Your attendance at a service or event constitutes your consent to be included in any filming, photographing, audio recording, or broadcast and for any other use in whole or in part, including publicity and promotion. If you wish to attend but prefer to avoid being filmed, please sit in the back pews.