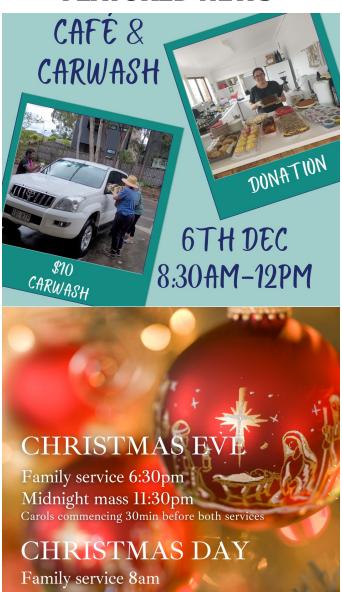


FEATURED NEWS



MISSION PARTNER

ARCHBISHOP'S NOVEMBER APPEAL

St Mark's
Children's Learning Centre
Philippines



WELCOME

Welcome! We're delighted that you have been able to join us for worship and we pray that you might find a place to belong. We'd love for you to complete one of our Welcome Cards. If you are a baptised member of any denomination, you are welcome to join us for communion. Please join us after the service for refreshments!

FROM THE VICAR

Our Advent series begins with a list of names. Not the most exciting way to launch into a new series you might think. Yet Matthew opens his Gospel with a genealogy because he wants us to see something vital as we begin waiting for the King. Jesus does not step into the world from nowhere, he comes from a long, winding family story. Matthew's list includes heroes of faith Abraham, and David, but it also includes deeply flawed people. There are moments of triumph and moments of terrible failure. Hidden in these names are stories of doubt, scandal, grief, rebellion, courage, and redemption. And amazingly, Matthew doesn't hide any of it. It is as though he is telling us, right from the start: This is the kind of God we worship, one who is not ashamed to step into our messy human story. Jesus' family tree is a picture of grace. God works through unexpected people, Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, and shows that his promises continue even when his people stumble. By the time we reach "Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born," we see that every generation has been leading to this moment. Every name, every story, has been preparing the way for the true King.

As we enter Advent and learn again to wait, Matthew reminds us that waiting is not wasted. God was at work in every generation, weaving a salvation story far bigger than anyone could see at the time. And he is still at work now often quietly, often slowly, but always faithfully. So, as we begin this season, may we take heart the King we wait for is the King who steps into ordinary lives, complicated families, and imperfect stories, bringing hope and redemption for all.

In Christ Rev'd Chris

GENERAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

3 December - Service for DV victims 9.30am

5 December - Mainly Music break-up 10am

6 December - Café & Car Wash 8.30am

8 December - Men's Dinner 6.30 for 7pm

14 December - Carols & Glowsticks 6.30pm

21 December - Champagne, Cheese & Carols

7pm

24 December - Family Service 6.30pm

24 December - Midnight Mass 11.30pm

25 December - Christmas Day Service 8am

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS:

Today is the last opportunity in which to bring in donations. A huge thank you to all who responded so readily and generously. We will be assembling the hampers this week, ready to give out.

NEW MISSION GIVING ACCOUNT:

If you'd like to give electronically to our missions each month, we have a new account: 704 901 00015767

SERVICE FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:

On 3rd December Rev'd Chris will lead a Service in the church starting at 9.30 am to remember and pray for victims and perpetrators of domestic violence. The AMUA Algester branch supports the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence campaign which runs from 25th November each year. So please put Wednesday 3rd December into your diary and come along to this important service.

CHRISTMAS ROSTERS:

There is a blank roster in the foyer for people to add names to assist with the three Christmas Services.

CHRISTMAS CARDS:

There is an assortment of Christmas Cards, \$1, and greeting cards \$1.20, in the foyer. These are for sale to support the Algester Branch of Anglican Mothers' Union Australia.

MEN'S DINNER:

On Monday 8 December we will meet 6.30 for 7pm at the Sunnybank Community Sports Club for a festive dinner! Please add names to clipboard in the foyer or contact Hugh on 0412 091 479.





SUNDAY MORNING SERMON NOTES:

READINGS

SENTENCE:

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths. *Isaiah 2.3a*

A READING FROM ISAIAH, CHAPTER 2, VERSES 1-5:

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come

the mountain of the Lord 's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains,

and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Hear the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS: Psalm 122

- 1 I was glad when they said to me: 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'
- 2 And now our feet are standing: within your gates, O Jerusalem;
- 3 Jerusalem which is built as a city: where the pilgrims gather in unity.
- 4 There the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord:
 - as he commanded Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
- 5 There are set thrones of judgement: the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: may those who love you prosper.
- 7 Peace be within your walls: and prosperity in your palaces.
- 8 For the sake of my kindred and companions:
 - I will pray that peace be with you.
- 9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God:I will seek for your good.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS, CHAPTER 13, VERSES 9-14:

The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from

sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW, CHAPTER 1, VERSES 1-17:

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos

the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon:
Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and
Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and
Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud
the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father
of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and
Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the
father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of
Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan,
and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob
the father of Joseph the husband of Mary,
of whom Jesus was born, who is called the
Messiah.

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In glad expectation of your coming, Jesus, we bring to you our prayers for your people.

Prince of Peace, come; bring your peace to this troubled world, that nations shall not learn war any more. Jesus, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Wonderful Counsellor, come; give your wisdom to those who guide nations, that all your people may enjoy good government.

Jesus, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Sun of Righteousness, come; fill your people with a passion for justice, that all your people may share creation's gifts. Jesus, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks Lord for all the hard work and enthusiasm that has gone into St Mark's Children's Learning Centre in the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

We pray that the students will be able to benefit from all the elements of their education, as well as being furnished with ways to be emotionally resilient and to live a life marked by spiritual growth.

We give you thanks for the students, the teachers, the community and for all those donors who seek to turn the dream of education for the children of this community into a reality in Christ's name.

Jesus, for the mission of your church, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Light of the World, come; shed your light on all who dwell in sin, that we may put away the works of evil. Jesus, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Loving Shepherd of Israel, come; gather together your lost and lonely ones, that none of your people shall feel unwanted or unloved.

Jesus, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Wounded Healer, come; bind up all broken bodies and wounded spirits, that the sick and the sorrowing may be comforted. Jesus, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Dayspring from on high, come; waken us from the sleep of night, that at your coming we may be found ready to greet you.

Jesus, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

True Messiah, come; come soon, and draw us to your glory, that we and all your saints may be gathered Into your eternal presence.
Come, Jesus, come, and in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers,

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ROSTERS

Date	30-11-25		7-12-25	
Roster	7.00am	9.00am	7.00am	9.00am
Worship Leader	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate
Preacher	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate
LA Leader	Rosemary Kake	lan Nelson	Julie Elliker	Dianne Bocquee
Greeter	-	Harlym & Anika	-	Kerry Tovey
Sidesperson	Kay Morris	Nivya, Anika, Dean	Robyn Brodie	Jenny Bullock
Reader 1	Norm Booth	Niya; Psalm: Harlym	Dinnar family	Rhonda Nelson
Reader 2	Sama O'Brien	Danika	Dinnar family	Sandra Pearn
Offertory	Kay Morris	Kids Church	Robyn Brodie	Jenny Bullock
Chapel Prayers		Rhonda Nelson	-	Rhonda Nelson
Morning Tea	Jeanette Clark	Kids Church	Kay O'Brien	Kerry
Music Leader	Michael Po Saw	Ruth Barton	Ross Dinnar	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	Adrian Scott	Kiara	James Dinnar	Rhonda/lan
Prayers of the people	Joshua, Ava & Jayden		Carol Booth	
Counting	Ruth Barton		lan Nelson	
Kids Church		Rostered in Church		Kids Church - in recess -
Baptism				

The heart of any thriving church community lies in the dedication of its volunteers who generously offer their time and skills. Currently, our church roster is in need of additional helping hands to support various essential tasks and ministries during our worship services. By joining the roster, we can continue to strengthen our church's mission and positively impact the lives of those we serve. We warmly welcome and encourage you to become an integral part of our dedicated volunteer team. Your contribution will make a significant difference to maintaining the vibrant spirit of our congregation.

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READINGS TODAY

Isaiah 2.1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13.9-14

Matthew 1.1-17

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 11.1-10

Psalm 72.1-7, 18-21

Romans 15.4-13

Luke 1.26-38

SERVICES

SUNDAY

7AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE 9AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

BANKING DETAILS

Tithes and Offerings:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0000 1070

Mission Partners:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0001 5767

Please consider your capacity and commitment to give to the work of this parish, by creating a recurring transfer.

ABN: 93 894 007 519

Offerings Jan to Oct \$63,114.90 Budgeted Jan to Oct \$75,000.00

PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Anglican Communion:

- The Anglican Church of Australia
- The Parish of Brisbane Mar Thoma Church
- Anglicare SQ Out of Home Care, Central Region - Fraser & Gympie Residential

Missions:

 We pray for our mission partner Archbishop's November Appeal, supporting primary education in the Philippines.

Our Community:

 Pray for the homeless, the lost, the lonely and those in need.

Our Parish:

 The Leadership team and each other as we follow God in our mission.

Those in need:

- Those known to us: Katherine, Noelene, Tammy, John, Brian, Karen, Steve & Julie, Kelly Carlaw, Liam, Daphne, Betty, Leonnie, Russell & Denise, Joyce & Annette, Michael B, Gabby, Lorraine, Gwen, Bev, Kye
- We pray for all who are grieving the loss of loved ones.
- We pray for all who are suffering from conflict and natural disasters.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty God,

give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life

in which your Son

Jesus Christ came among us in great humility,

that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty

to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal;

through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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