

READING 1 - Genesis 17:1-13

¹ 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. ² And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' ³ Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴ 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵ 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. ⁶ I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷ 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. ⁸ And I will give to you, and to your offspring after you, the land where you are now an alien, all the land of Canaan, for a perpetual holding; and I will be their God.' ⁹ God said to Abraham, 'As for you, you shall keep my covenant, you and your offspring after you throughout their generations. ¹⁰ This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your offspring after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised. ¹¹ You shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskins, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and you. ¹² Throughout your generations every male among you shall be circumcised when he is eight days old, including the slave born in your house and the one bought with your money from any foreigner who is not of your offspring. ¹³ Both the slave born in your house and the one bought with your money must be circumcised. So shall my covenant be in your flesh an everlasting covenant.

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.

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 ID is: C10089230



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CLAYFIELD

Bonney Avenue, Clayfield



Christmas 1
1 January 2023

Liturgical Colour: white

*We celebrate
the Birth of our Lord*

**Welcome
to
St Mark's!**

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Today:

8.30 am Morning Prayer
Leader: David Adams

Sentence of the Day

Because Jesus himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.
(Hebrews 2:18)

Collect

Almighty God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: in your mercy, bring us to share the divine life of Jesus Christ, who came to share our human life, and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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



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ROSTERS for Next Week

Roster for Sunday 8 January 8.30am

Reader: Andrew Peters & Ally Bray
Prayers: Alison Reid
Liturgical Assistant: Diana Osbaldiston & Geoff Anthonisz
Deacon:
Welcomer: Ally Bray & Nikki Hunt
Offertory Count: Nikki Hunt & Derek Matthews
Sound Room: Diana Grima & Nikki Hunt

Church Office Closure—Christmas Period

The Church Office has now closed for the remainder of the year and re-opens on Tuesday 3 January. For urgent matters during this time please phone Canon Nicki on 0405 354 035 or revnicki@stmarksclayfield.org. If you are unable to contact Canon Nicki, please call the Church Wardens listed on the front of this pew sheet.

Morning Tea following the 8.30am Service

We **will not be** having Morning Tea following the service until February.

DIARY DATES

There will only be one 8.30am service each Sunday of January

Sunday 8 January: 8.30am Service

Sunday 15 January: 8.30am Service

Tuesday 18 January: 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

Sunday 22 January: 8.30am Service

Thursday 26 January: Australia Day public holiday

Sunday 29 January: 8.30am Service

Saturday 4 February: 3-5pm Ladies Lounge

Sunday 5 February: 7.30am Service

9.15am Service

Wednesday 15 February: 9.30am Guild Games Day

Sunday 26 February: 10.30 AGM

PSALM 113

¹ Praise the Lord, O sing praises, you that are his servants:

O praise the name of the Lord.

² Let the name of the Lord be blessed:

from this time forward and for ever.

³ From the rising of the sun to its going down:

let the name of the Lord be praised.

⁴ The Lord is exalted over all the nations:

and his glory is above the heavens.

⁵ Who can be likened to the Lord our God:

in heaven or upon the earth,

⁶ Who has his dwelling so high:

yet condescends to look on things beneath?

⁷ He raises the lowly from the dust:

and lifts the poor from out of the dungheap;

⁸ He gives them a place among the princes:

even among the princes of his people.

⁹ He causes the barren woman to keep house:

and makes her a joyful mother of children.

Praise the Lord.

Sundays in January—one Service 8.30am

There will only be ONE Sunday morning service from 1 Jan until 30 January 2023.

NOTICES

Kids Plus+

KidsPlus+ is held on the 4th Sunday of the month, during the 9.15 service. All children are welcome to be involved in the service and after communion join in with games and craft and morning tea together.

GFS Youth group

GFS meets every 2nd, 4th & 5th Friday night of each month.
This group is for girls in high school and older.

Ladies Guild Games Days

The Ladies Guild invites you to join them for one of their friendly Games Days in the hall. These will commence on **Wednesday 15 February** from 9.30am. All welcome!

Working Bees

Please consider joining our merry band of helpers and come along to our working bees. These are held on a Saturday morning commencing at 8.00am. The date for the next working bee will be advertised in the New Year.

“Ladies Lounge”—for all ages!

Ladies Lounge is held on the first Saturday of the month commencing on 4 February at 3.00—5.00pm in the church hall. Please bring a plate to share and something to drink and join us for a relaxed chat and get together. **All welcome.**



Donation

WEEKLY OFFERING

DIRECT DEBIT DETAILS
Bank: NAB
Account Name: St Mark's Clayfield
BSB 084-004
A/c 50-838-9619

If you would specifically like to contribute to the “Projects”,

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



PRAYER FOCUS

for this week

For St Mark's Outreach and Mission:

St Mark's Food Bank ministry—that we may respond to local needs.

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:

Leonard & Jessie Gyles
James Ryan
Michael Forster
Joanne Peberdy
William Powell
Richard Allom
Jack Henry

Wider Mission Focus for this Month:
CMS Missionaries. For cross-cultural mission. www.cms.org.au

TENNIS COURT

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

\$12 per hour

READING 2 - Colossians 3:12-17

¹² As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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