

## 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”,

## PRAYER

## FOCUS

### for this week

For St Mark's Outreach and Mission:

The Holy Trinity Pantry at the Valley — for those in need in the inner city.

**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:

Bill Roberts

Elaine Bolton

Isabella Harrison

Terence Vizard

Gordon Given

Nellie Corfe

#### Flowers in Memory of:

Bill Roberts

#### Wider Mission Focus for this Month:

CMS Missionaries. For cross-cultural mission.

[www.cms.org.au](http://www.cms.org.au)

#### TENNIS COURT

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

\$12 per hour



# THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CLAYFIELD

Bonney Avenue, Clayfield



## Epiphany IV

29 January 2023

Liturgical Colour: green

At Epiphany we celebrate Christ made known to the world



## Welcome to St Mark's!

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## Today:

### 8.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Rev'd Canon Nicki Colledge



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

### MUSIC

8.30am

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432

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## Sentence of the Day

Now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. *1 Corinthians 13.14*

## Collect

Righteous God, you confound the world's wisdom by giving your blessing to the lowly and pure in heart: give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the promise of your kingdom, which has been revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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## ROSTERS for Next Week

### Roster for Sunday 5 February 7.30am

**Reader:** Diana Osbaldiston & Heather Monks  
**Prayers:** Brenda Higgins  
**Liturgical Assistant:** Grant Connolly & Janet Vacca  
**Deacon:**  
**Welcomer:** Diana Osbaldiston & Peter Bekkers  
**Offertory Count:** Heather & Peter Monks  
**Sound Room:** Peter Monks

### Roster for Sunday 5 February 9.15am

**Reader:** Richard Colledge  
**Prayers:**  
**Liturgical Assistant:** Shane Monks  
**Deacon:** David Adams  
**Welcomer:** Anne Avila & Petrea Matthews  
**Offertory Count:**  
**Sound Room:** Bronwyn Barber & Petrea Matthews  
**Morning Tea:** Dianne Kemp

## 2 Services from next Sunday 5 February

We will go back to our usual 7.30am and 9.15am services next Sunday.

### Morning Tea

We **will commence** serving Morning Tea following both services from next Sunday 5 February.

## DIARY DATES

**Friday 3 February:** All reports for the AGM Annual Report are due  
**Saturday 4 February:** 3-5pm Ladies Lounge  
**Sunday 5 February:** 7.30am Service and 9.15am Service  
**Wednesday 15 February:** 9.30am Guild Games Day  
**Tuesday 21 February:** Shrove Tuesday  
**Wednesday 22 February:** Ash Wednesday  
Lenten Bible Studies Begin  
**Sunday 26 February:** 10.30am AGM

## NOTICES

### A prayer from Thomas Merton

My Lord God,  
I have no idea where I am going.  
I do not see the road ahead of me.  
I cannot know for certain where it will end.  
nor do I really know myself,  
and the fact that I think I am following your will  
does not mean that I am actually doing so.  
But I believe that the desire to please you  
does in fact please you.  
And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.  
I hope that I will never do anything apart from  
that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road,

though I may know nothing about it.  
Therefore will I trust you always though  
I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear, for you are ever with me,  
and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

*"The Merton Prayer" from [Thoughts in Solitude](#) Copyright © 1956, 1958  
by The Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani.*

## 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**

## GOSPEL READING - Matthew 5:1-12

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, chapter 5, beginning at the 1st verse

### Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

<sup>1</sup> When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup> 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup> 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup> 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> 'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

<sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## FIRST READING

### A reading from Micah 6:1-8

<sup>1</sup> Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

<sup>2</sup> Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth;  
for the Lord has a controversy with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

<sup>3</sup> 'O my people, what have I done to you?  
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

<sup>4</sup> For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

<sup>5</sup> O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.'

<sup>6</sup> 'With what shall I come before the Lord,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,  
with calves a year old?

<sup>7</sup> Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?'

<sup>8</sup> He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

Hear the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, who may abide in your tabernacle:  
**or who may dwell upon your holy hill?**

<sup>2</sup> Whoever leads an uncorrupt life  
 and does the thing which is right:  
**who speaks the truth from the heart,  
 and has not slandered with the tongue;**

<sup>3</sup> Who has done no evil to a friend:  
**nor vented abuse against a neighbour;**

<sup>4</sup> In whose eyes the worthless have no honour:  
**but who makes much of those that fear the Lord;**

<sup>5</sup> Whoever has sworn to a neighbour:  
**and will not go back on that oath;**

<sup>6</sup> Who has not put money to usury:  
**nor taken a bribe against the innocent.**

<sup>7</sup> Whoever does these things:  
**shall never be overthrown.**



**A reading from 1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

<sup>18</sup> For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

<sup>19</sup> For it is written,  
 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
 and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

<sup>20</sup> Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

<sup>21</sup> For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup> but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup> but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

<sup>25</sup> For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

<sup>26</sup> Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup> But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong;

<sup>28</sup> God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no one might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup> He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, <sup>31</sup> in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

Hear the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Annual General Meeting—26 February 2023**

The St Mark's Annual General Meeting will be held on 26 February commencing at 11am in the hall.

If you need to **submit a report** for inclusion in the Annual Report booklet, please ensure your report is submitted in electronic form to the Church Office by **Fri 3 February**.