

NOTICES

GFS Youth Group

GFS meets every 2nd, 4th & 5th Friday night of each month in the hall. This group is for girls in high school and older. If you would like to know more, please visit their web-site: gfsbrisbane.org.au



Kids Plus+



KidsPlus+ is held on the fourth Sunday of the month, during the **8.30am service**. All children are welcome to be involved in the service and after communion join in with games and craft.



Morning Tea

Please join us for Morning Tea in the hall following the 8.30am service.

WEEKLY OFFERING

DIRECT DEPOSIT DETAILS

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



Follow **St. Mark's Clayfield** on Facebook, and watch the Sunday services on Youtube, at your leisure!

TENNIS COURT

You can book the tennis court online:
www.stmarksclayfield.org/facility-hire/tennis-court/

Tennis payments



PRAYER FOCUS for this week

For St Mark's Outreach and Mission:

Anglicare—for those in need and distress.

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:

Douglas Munro
Barbara Gazzard
Jean Foxton
Louise McDonald
Florence Perel
Barbara Gow
Effie Munday

Wider Mission Focus for this Month:
The Anglican Board of Mission (AMB). For love, hope and justice.
www.abmission.org



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CLAYFIELD

~ Celebrating 100 years in 2025 ~



Welcome to St Mark's!

Rector:

**PTO: The Rev
Gary Blundell**

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**Pentecost 23
16 November 2025**

Liturgical Colour: Green

*We come to worship God
in Word and Sacrament*

8:30am Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Rev'd Gary Blundell

Sentence of the Day

May the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways.

2 Thessalonians 3.16

Collect

Lord God of all the ages,
the One who is, who was, and who is to come:
stir up within us a longing for your kingdom, keep our hearts steady in times of trial, and grant us patient endurance until the Sun of justice dawns.
We make our prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Acknowledgement of country

As we gather in this Church, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Turrbal and Jagera people, and pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.



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

ROSTERS

Roster Today

Readers	Sarah B & Robert S-W
Prayers	Malcolm L
LA	Derek M & Peter K
Welcomer	Dianne K & Karen W
Off / Count	
Sound Room	Kym A
Morning Tea	Helen & Steven S

Roster Next Week

Readers	Brad G & Lorelle W
Prayers	Robert SW
LA	Derek
Deacon	David A
Welcomer	Jan J & Karen W
Off / Count	Jan J & Karen W
Sound Room	
Morning Tea	John R & Kirsty T

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 19 Nov: 11am Portofino Service
Saturday 22 Nov: 9am Christmas Tree Festival
Sunday 23 Nov: 8.30am Christmas Pudding after service
Monday 24 Nov: 10am Sewing Group
Saturday 6 Dec: 10am Ordination of David Adams at St. John's Cathedral

Prayer Circle

If you would like to be part of The Parish Prayer Circle, or have names of people you want upheld in prayer, please see Fr.Gary.

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Morning Tea

There will be Christmas pudding and custard after the service on 23 November to celebrate the completion of the Christmas Tree Festival.

Christmas Decorations Wanted

With only 6 days until the Christmas Tree Festival, we are in the final days of accepting Christmas Tree decoration donations to adorn the trees which will be on display in the church. If you have any unwanted baubles, tinsel, or ornaments that you are happy to part with, we will graciously accept them (before Friday).

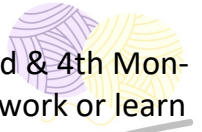


Choir for Christmas Eve Family Service

If you are interested in singing in this choir please text Marina on 0402 306 897 or speak to her after Church.

St Mark's Craft Group

St Mark's craft group meet in the church hall every 2nd & 4th Monday of each month at 10.00am. Bring along your own work or learn something new. Phone the church office 3862 2221 for details. All welcome!



Christmas Tree Festival Volunteers

We are asking for volunteers to assist at the Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 22 November. Whether it be an hour or perhaps longer, any offer of assistance is appreciated! Please look for the sign on sheet at the church front doors.



GOSPEL READING - Luke 21:5-19

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke,
chapter 21, beginning at the 5th verse

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶ 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' ⁷ They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' ⁸ And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. ⁹ 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.'

¹⁰ Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹² 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify.

¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

FIRST READING

A reading from Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. ¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. ¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. ²⁰ No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²² They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³ They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord — and their descendants as well.

²⁴ Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord .

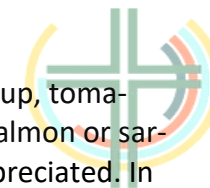
Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

Holy Trinity Community Food Pantry

This week's special requests are:

Canned goods: Meat & Vegetables, soup, packet cup of soup, tomatoes, canned vegetables— peas, carrots, corn, Fish (tuna, salmon or sardines), fruit (small tins). Your donations are very much appreciated. In October, 69 items were donated. Your generosity is appreciated.



Psalm A Song of Isaiah 12:2-6

'Behold, God is my salvation:
I will trust and will not be afraid;

'For the Lord God is my strength and my song:
and has become my salvation.'

With joy you will draw water:
from the wells of salvation.

On that day you will say:
'Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name;

'Make known his deeds among the nations:
proclaim that his name is exalted.

'Sing God's praises, who has triumphed gloriously:
let this be known in all the world.

'Shout and sing for joy, you that dwell in Zion:
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.'

Containers For Change!

In 2024 our parish gained over \$2577 simply through keeping cans and bottles and taking them to the Albion collection centre. Remember to recycle your wine & spirit bottles as well!

So easy - drive into 22 Collingwood St Albion, a nice person will meet you, provide the code below and \$\$ comes to the parish!

Our Parish member number is: C10089230

In October, \$85.20 was raised. Can't make it to the Albion collection centre? Not a problem, we have a dedicated bin in the hall—bring your bottles/cans along on a Sunday.

SECOND READING

A reading from 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶ Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



BCA Announcement



For those who have BCA donation boxes, could you please bring in your boxes before Christmas. We will be sending off our combined church donation before the new year. Just hand in your BCA box to Derek or Petrea Matthews. Thank you!

It is our pleasure to announce that David Adams will be admitted to the Order of Deacon on **Saturday 6 December** at 10am in **St. John's Cathedral**. Everyone is welcome to attend in support.