



Welcome to St Mark's!

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Epiphany 3
25 January 2026

Liturgical Colour:
Green

*At Epiphany we
celebrate Christ made
known to the world*

8:30am Holy Communion
Celebrant: The Rev'd Gary Blundell

Sentence of the Day

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. *Matthew 4.23*

Collect

Loving God,
the light of the minds that know you,
the life of the souls that love you,
and the strength of the hearts that serve you:
help us so to know you that we may truly love you,
and so to love you that we may faithfully serve you,
whose service is perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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

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.

ROSTERS

Roster Today

Readers	Brad G & Lorelle W
Prayers	Margaret R
LA	Grant C
Deacon	David A
Welcomer	Jan J & Lorelle W
Off / Count	Jan J & Lorelle W
Sound Room	Di G
Morning Tea	John R & Kirsty T

Roster Next Sunday 1 February

Readers	Rosemary S & Sarah B
Prayers	Brenda H
LA	Grant C & Petrea
Welcomer	Anne A & Elizabeth G
Off / Count	Karen W &
Sound Room	Kym A
Morning Tea	Dianne K, Sue R, Marina A

DIARY DATES

Monday 26 Jan:	Australia Day Parish Office closed
Thursday 29 Jan:	6.00pm Rev Lynette Kareta's Commissioning
Saturday 7 Feb:	7.30am Saturday Social Gathering –Honey Cafe
Monday 9 Feb:	10am-12pm Sewing & Craft group reconvenes
Tuesday 17 Feb:	Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday 18 Feb:	Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 18 Feb:	11am Service at Portofino Hamilton Aged Care
Sunday 22 Feb:	Hamilton Clayfield Girl Guides Celebration of World Thinking Day

NOTICES

You are invited

to the commissioning of

The Reverend Lynette Kareta

as Priest-in-charge of the

Parish of St Mark's Anglican Church
Clayfield

on

Thursday 29 January 6.00pm

With refreshments and light bites to
follow in the hall

Please RSVP to the office on 3862 2221 by 23-01-2026

NOTICES

Kids Plus+

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



St Mark's Craft Group

St Mark's craft group will continue to meet in 2026 as of Monday 9 February (10am—midday). New faces are always welcome! Bring along your own work or learn something new in a relaxed and happy group.



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 website: gfsbrisbane.org.au

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 Interces-
sion.

Anniversaries of the Faithful Departed:

Michael Loel
John Swan
Everil Charlton
Paul Morgan
Constance Rasmus
Cecil Isabella Ashburn
Bill Roberts
Elaine Bolton
Isabella Harrison
Terence Vizard

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

FIRST READING

A reading from Isaiah 9:1-4

¹ But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined.

³ You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴ For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

SATURDAY SOCIAL GATHERING

Saturday

7 February 7.30am—9.30am

The Honey Café

Stafford City

(Located at the back of centre near the cinemas)
Come along for fun, conversation, and a relaxed
breakfast!

**** **All welcome** ****

Reports - 2026 Annual General Meeting

If you need to submit a report for inclusion in the 2025 Annual Report booklet, please ensure your report is submitted in electronic form to the Church Office by **Sunday 8 February**.

Psalm 27:1-10

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?:

**the Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?**

² When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes,
come upon me to devour me:

they shall stumble and fall.

³ If an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not be afraid:

and if war should rise against me, yet will I trust.

⁴ One thing I have asked from the Lord,
which I will require:

**that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,**

⁵ To see the fair beauty of the Lord:
and to seek his will in his temple.

⁶ For he will hide me under his shelter
in the day of trouble:

**and conceal me in the shadow of his tent,
and set me high upon a rock.**

⁷ And now he will lift up my head:

above my enemies round about me.

⁸ And I will offer sacrifices in his sanctuary
with exultation:

I will sing, I will sing praises to the Lord.

⁹ O Lord, hear my voice when I cry:

have mercy upon me and answer me.

¹⁰ My heart has said of you, 'Seek his face':
your face, Lord, I will seek.

Notices

A Note of Sincere Gratitude for Fr. Gary



On behalf of the entire parish, we wish to extend our deepest thanks to Father Gary for his steadfast leadership over the last eleven months. Stepping out of retirement to guide a congregation is no small feat, yet Gary did so with a grace and warmth that made our transition period feel like a time of growth rather than a mere holding pattern. His presence in the pulpit

each Sunday has provided us with spiritual consistency, thoughtful reflection, and a sense of peace while we searched for our permanent priest.

Beyond his Sunday ministry, we are especially moved by Gary's heart for the wider community. Despite being officially "retired," he tirelessly extended his ministry to our local retirement villages, ensuring that those unable to attend regular services still felt seen, heard, and connected to their faith. Gary, you didn't just fill a vacancy; you enriched our lives and reminded us what a life of true service looks like. We are profoundly grateful for your time, your wisdom, and your generous spirit.

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). In December, 63 items were donated. Your donations are very much appreciated.



GOSPEL READING Matthew 4:12-25

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, chapter 4, beginning at the 12th verse

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵ 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.'

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' ¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.'²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. ²⁴ So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. ²⁵ And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

SECOND READING

A reading from 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹² What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' ¹³ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸ 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.

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Parish Elections

We are now accepting 2026 Nominations for the following positions:

Parish Councillors

Church Wardens

Parish Nominators

Nomination forms can be found at the front door.