

NOTICES

Admission to Communion

Today we welcome
Franklin Lanchester as a communicant member
of the Anglican Church.
Let us hold Franklin in our prayers.

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



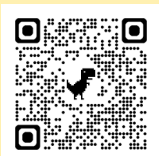
St Mark's Craft Group

St Mark's craft group meets every second Monday (10am—midday). Next meeting is on **25 May**. New faces are always welcome! Bring along your own work or learn something new in a relaxed and happy group.

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 revisit 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:

The Holy Trinity Pantry in Fortitude 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:

Hugh Anderson
Rowan Waterhouse
Fiona Bekkers
Janice Walker
Kathleen Hogan
John Frew
Betty Herbert

**Wider Mission Focus
for this Month:**
The Leprosy Mission.
For dignity restored.
leprosymission.org



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CLAYFIELD

~ Est. 1925 ~



Welcome!

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



Pentecost 24 May 2026

Liturgical Colour: Red
*We celebrate the gift of
the Holy Spirit*

8:30am Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Reverend Lyn Kareta

Sentence of the Day

'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,' says the Lord; 'and let the one who believes in me drink. For out of your heart shall flow rivers of living water.'

John 7.38

Collect

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: empower us with that same Spirit to witness to your redeeming love and draw all people to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.

ROSTERS

Roster Today

Readers	Brad G & Lorelle W
Prayers	Margaret R
LA	Derek M
Deacon	David A
Welcomer	Jan J, Robyn & Ashley Owen
Off / Count	Jan J, Ashley & Robyn Owen
Sound Room	Di G
Morning Tea	John R & Kirsty T

Roster Next Sunday

Readers	Rod McL & Robert S-W
Prayers	Brenda H
LA	Derek M
Welcomer	Dianne K & Jennifer K
Off / Count	Peter K
Sound Room	Kym A
Morning Tea	Guild Ladies

DIARY DATES

Monday 25 May:	10am Sewing Group
Saturday 30 May:	Garage Sale
Monday 8 June:	10am Sewing Group
Tuesday 9 June:	7pm Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 10 June:	10.30am AVEO Service
Friday 12 June:	Karuna Bridge Day
Saturday 13 June:	7.30am Saturday Social Gathering—Honey Cafe
Monday 22 June:	10am Sewing Group

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Childrens' Ministry has a new look!

It is with great excitement that we are expanding our Childrens' Ministry by including our littlest Christians in the service every Sunday.

We have a dedicated space for kids to interact EVERY week.

Before the commencement of the service, the kids will be introduced to the focus reading or theme of the day. It will enable families to feel more welcome, and kids of all ages will build a connection to the church and strengthen their faith. Should

you have an interest in assisting with this initiative, please speak to our Lion Cub leaders! We look forward to making church engaging and a bit of fun for our **St Mark's Lion Cubs!**



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.

Containers For Change!

In 2026, we continue to ask for your support by recycling your beverage cans and bottles at a Containers for Change depot. There's one just down the road at **22 Collingwood St Albion**. **Drive in, provide the code below, they will count the cans & bottles, and \$\$ comes to the parish!** **Our Parish member number is: C10089230.** 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. . Thank you for your support!



A MESSAGE FROM Rev'd Lyn Kareta

Where has the Spirit led you in your life? We celebrate Pentecost this week which is notable for, as we read in Acts of the Apostles 2:1-21, the Holy Spirit descending upon the Jesus followers who gathered to make sense of all that they had encountered in Jesus after his death and resurrection. With Jesus' ascension, the physical nature of God's presence was replaced by the spiritual nature of God, bringing life and inspiration to guide our hearts and minds and to live out a life of worship and God's mission. How do we encounter the Spirit now? This question will draw out many responses yet there are some specific reflections for our community of St Mark's.

First, we see the Spirit work through all our volunteers who have been called and who have answered to live out the many ministries that are needed for our parish to flourish and grow. This week was National Volunteers Week which encourages us to say a big thank you to all who volunteer in our parish. For our lay and ordained ministers, readers, intercessors, welcomers, collection counters and bankers, flower arrangers, those on the grounds roster or who volunteer in working bees, those who provide hospitality, music, children's ministry, audio-visual support, and of course our Wardens and Parish Council... and any others who contribute to the rich life of worship and mission in our parish – thank you for all you do!

A second way we encounter the Spirit is through our Mission Action Plan (MAP) that will see us set a vision to guide our parish into the future for how we glorify God and live out God's mission in the world. You may have heard me preach messages around mission particularly through Lent as a warm-up to the commencement of forming our MAP. The Spirit has been at work too in drawing together, people from within our parish to be part of a MAP Working Group to lead this together. This group will be introduced within our parish very soon, yet if you feel the Spirit leading you to become part of the MAP Working Group, please come and speak with me.

These are only two of the many ways in which I am feeling the movement of the Spirit in our community. Where do you feel that the Spirit is leading you?

God's peace be with you,
Rev'd Lyn

FIRST READING Acts of the Apostles 2:1-21

A reading from Acts of the Apostles chapter 2 beginning at verse 1

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?

⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.'

¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'

¹³ But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' ¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

Cont....

FIRST READING Acts of the Apostles 2:1-21 continued

- ¹⁷ “In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.
²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

Garage sale Rosters

The St Mark’s Garage Sale is next weekend!
We still require assistance on the day—if you can spare an hour
or two, please write your name on the roster which is on the last
pew.

Convenors this year:

GARAGE SALE— DIANNE AND PETER KEMP

BBQ—HELEN AND STEVEN SHERINGTON

CAKES—PETREA MATTHEWS

JAMS—MARGARET MOXON

CRAFTS—JAN JARDINE

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Now accepting donations for the Annual Garage Sale

Kitchenware • Linen • Handbags • Bric-a-brac • Toys
• Books • Christmas decorations • Decor • DVDs •
Vintage & Retro • Records • Sporting Goods

No clothing or shoes thank you

*Donations can be left at the church office at 60 Bellevue Tce, Clayfield
during business hours. Last day for donations is Friday 22nd May.*

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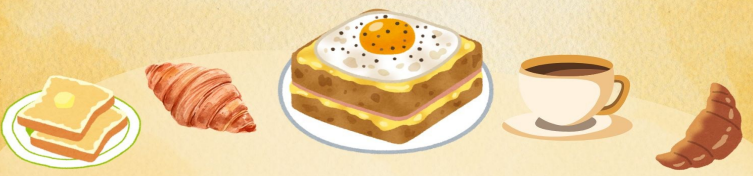
**NATIONAL
VOLUNTEER
WEEK
MAY 18-24**

Today is the last day of National Volunteer week. Our community relies deeply on the selfless dedication of our volunteers. Whether you volunteer on a regular basis or when your schedule allows, we thank you for your service.

Saturday Social Gathering

Saturday 13 June 7.30am – 9.30am
The Honey Cafe | Stafford City (near the cinema)

Come along for some fun conversation and a relaxed breakfast
ALL WELCOME!



PSALM 104:26-36

- ²⁶ Lord, how various are your works:
**in wisdom you have made them all,
and the earth is full of your creatures.**
- ²⁷ There is the wide, immeasurable sea:
there move living things without number, great and small;
- ²⁸ There go the ships, to and fro:
**and there is that Leviathan
whom you formed to sport in the deep.**
- ²⁹ These all look to you:
to give them their food in due season.
- ³⁰ When you give it to them, they gather it:
**when you open your hand
they are satisfied with good things.**
- ³¹ When you hide your face, they are troubled:
**when you take away their breath,
they die and return to their dust.**
- ³² When you send forth your spirit they are created:
and you renew the face of the earth.
- ³³ May the glory of the Lord endure for ever:
may the Lord rejoice in his works.
- ³⁴ If he look upon the earth, it shall tremble:
if he but touch the mountains, they shall smoke.
- ³⁵ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live:
I will praise my God while I have any being.
- ³⁶ May my meditation be pleasing to him:
for my joy shall be in the Lord.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:1-13

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians chapter 12 beginning at verse 1

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. ¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING John 7:37-52

³⁷ On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,' ³⁸ and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water." ' ³⁹ Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified. ⁴⁰ When they heard these words, some in the crowd said, 'This is really the prophet.' ⁴¹ Others said, 'This is the Messiah.' But some asked, 'Surely the Messiah does not come from Galilee, does he?' ⁴² Has not the scripture said that the Messiah is descended from David and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David lived?' ⁴³ So there was a division in the crowd because of him. ⁴⁴ Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. ⁴⁵ Then the temple police went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who asked them, 'Why did you not arrest him?' ⁴⁶ The police answered, 'Never has anyone spoken like this!' ⁴⁷ Then the Pharisees replied, 'Surely you have not been deceived too, have you?' ⁴⁸ Has any one of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? ⁴⁹ But this crowd, which does not know the law—they are accursed.' ⁵⁰ Nicodemus, who had gone to Jesus before, and who was one of them, asked, ⁵¹ 'Our law does not judge people without first giving them a hearing to find out what they are doing, does it?' ⁵² They replied, 'Surely you are not also from Galilee, are you? Search and you will see that no prophet is to arise from Galilee.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.