



St Paul's Anglican Church

*A caring community of Christ worshipping God,
engaging the community and building connections
between people of all ages and cultures.*

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15th of January 2017

Second Sunday after Epiphany

*"I myself have
seen and have
testified"*

Living presence,
calling us to give what we most treasure in your service,
as you called your Beloved
to reveal your glory to humankind,
give us the courage to respond to your invitation,
wholeheartedly and without reserve,
and give us good cheer to help us on the Way,
We pray this in the Spirit of the living Jesus,
embraced for ever in your glory. **Amen.**

Prayer: *Unfolding the Living Word.*

Hymns: 28 447 560 595
Setting: TBA

NOTICES OF THE DAY

Welcome to worship and to our St Paul's faith community.

Prayer Corner: "Great Spirit, we remember the land and its First People with respect and dignity. May we live in harmony with all those who share this sacred earth and be thankful. Amen."

We pray for the World:

- For those who mourn loved ones, for the injured and distressed, and for all those committed to the work of peace.

We pray for the worldwide Church:

- Dioceses of Kyoto and Kyushu;
- Diocese of The Murray;
- Archdeaconry of Dandenong;
- Holy Trinity Kew;
- St Francis in the Fields Mooroolbark – confirmation service;
- St Peter's Ocean Grove and All Saints Barwon Heads – pastoral visit (Bp Philip Huggins); and
- St Paul's Canterbury —Rev'd Susanne Chambers.

We pray for those in need:

- Joan Harrington-Johnson;
- Anne Shaw (Helen's mum);
- Bob Thompson;
- Margaret Clausen;
- Annabel;
- Iris Mather;
- Cecelia Irvine-So;
- Tricia Cain;
- +John and Anne Bayton;
- Gwen Towart;
- Hilary Chapman (Sue Chapman's daughter); and
- Iddin.



We pray for ourselves & Community:

Ever-present God, take care of all who travel by land, water or air; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them safely back home. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Parish Prayer for St Paul's:

Renew in us, O God, the zeal of your love. Let our parish come alive with the power of your Spirit. Where we have failed, forgive us. Where we have persevered, encourage us. When we are in doubt, direct us. Help us to see new opportunities for witness and service. For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Parish Council Members for 2017:

Please keep our parish councillors in your prayers:

Andrew Flint (warden), Jeremy Bishop (warden), Liz Olie (warden), Todd Reichmann (treasurer), Caroline Cox, Rose O'Shea, Rosemary Miller, Alex Murray, John De Araugo and Nick Scott.

We give thanks for the lives of:

Anne Grace Wiltshire	15 January 1996
Patricia Aynsley Wiltshire	15 January 2008
Lily Lee	17 January 2005
Eva Dorothy Nauton	19 January 1987
Sara Wawbey Kelly	22 January 1966

Please remember to return, when convenient, any Advent resources that you have borrowed

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Now available in the narthex.

ST PAUL'S DIRECT DEBIT: St Paul's Anglican Church Canterbury - BSB 633 000 A/C 1191 99941.

Notice Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

PARISH EVENTS FOR THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

January

9am Sunday 15th —Today!

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Thursday 19th

Cassandra back in the office

Saturday 21st

4pm Wedding

9am Sunday 22nd

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Wednesday 25th

10am Wednesday Eucharist recommences

Thursday 26th

Australia Day

Friday 27th - Sunday 29th

Parish Council away to Toolangi for strategic planning

Sunday 29th

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

8am and 10am: Rev'd Jonathan Chambers preacher and president

Monday 30th

Back to school

February

Sunday 5th

START UP SUNDAY (Choir and Sunday school recommence)

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 49.1-7

- ¹ Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
- ² He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
- ³ And he said to me, 'You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'
- ⁴ But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God.'
- ⁵ And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—
- ⁶ he says,
'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'
- ⁷ Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
'Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

Psalm: 40.1-14

Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 9.1-4

Psalm 27.1-10

1 Corinthians 1.10-18

Matthew 4.12-25

1 Corinthians 1.1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,² to the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus,⁵ for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.⁸ He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.⁹ God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

John 1.29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!³⁰ This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me."³¹ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.'³² And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit."³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' ³⁹He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

PEW SHEET DEADLINE: Please ensure notices for the pew sheet are in the office by 5pm on Wednesday. Thank you!

ST PAUL'S MINISTRY TEAMS:

This Week's Ministry Team 15th of January: Second Sunday after Epiphany

9am

Flowers	Julie Wagner
Brass	Sue Taylor and Ann Phillips
Sidespersons	Graham Scott and Val Sayers
Children's Talk	N/A
Sunday School	N/A
J2A	N/A
Reader	Margaret Capper
Intercessor	Henrietta Barclay
Welcomer	All
Liturgical Asst	Tom Lambert
Server	Gill Lambert
Refreshments	
Collection Counters	Liz Olie and Geoff Davenport

Next Week's Ministry Team 22nd of January: Third Sunday after Epiphany

9am

Flowers	Julie Wagner
Brass	Sue Taylor and Ann Phillips
Sidespersons	Christine Ruggles-Brise and Ruth Hudnott
Children's Talk	N/A
Sunday School	N/A
J2A	N/A
Reader	Jill Bales
Intercessor	Jonathan Chambers
Welcomer	All
Liturgical Asst	Rowan Litchfield
Server	Leanne Reichmann
Refreshments	Laura Kaspen and Gail White
Collection Counters	Stuart Bales and Charles Harrington-Johnson

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	Jeremy Bishop	0413 313 948



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