

## NEXT SUNDAY

19th December ~ Fourth Sunday in Advent - (violet)

8:30am  
5:00pm

Holy Communion - Contemporary Service  
Holy Communion - Traditional Service

### READINGS

Micah 5:2-5a  
Hebrews 10:5-10

For Psalm: Song of Mary (page 425)  
Luke 1:39-45

### ROSTERS

### TODAY

### NEXT WEEK

#### 8:30am

#### Sunday 12th Dec

#### Sunday 19th Dec

LA:

Kris Frith

Carole Mullan

Readers:

Roland Seeger  
Rae Middleton

Rose McIntosh  
Wayne Price

Intercessions:

Jeff Ritchie

Troy Juides

Counters:

Barbara Hunt  
Jenny Ritchie

Carolyn Buck  
Diana Ferrari

#### 5:00pm

LA:

Paula Rogers

Graeme Holyer

Readers:

Barbara Johnstone  
Sue Morbach

Naida Kubert  
Barbara Johnstone

Intercessions:

Paula Rogers

Graeme Holyer

## KEEPING IN TOUCH ON LINE

### Sunday

8:30am Holy Communion live streamed on Facebook  
go to [freshwateranglican.com](http://freshwateranglican.com)  
then to 'Join us for worship on Sunday' and click

### PEW BULLETIN MATERIAL DEADLINE WEDNESDAY 12 NOON

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The Church of the Risen Christ  
43 Park Road, Deception Bay



## Third Sunday of Advent

12th December 2021

**ENCOUNTER** *God's love*  
**GROW** *in Christ*  
**LIVE** *by the Spirit*

### OUR VISION:

Through Jesus Christ we are called to lead people to God.  
(based on Matthew 28.19-20)

### Sentence:

Do not fear. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love.  
Zephaniah 3:16-17

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God,  
you sent your Son into a world  
where the wheat must be winnowed from the chaff  
and evil clings even to what is good:  
let the fire of your Spirit purge us of all corruption,  
so that, purified, we may wait eagerly for him  
whose coming is certain, whose Day draws near,  
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.**

### Readings:

Zephaniah 3:14-20

for Psalm: A Song of Isaiah (page 391)

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:7-18



### Sunday 12th December

Ps 18:1-17; 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:1

The Anglican Church of Canada; The Diocese of Grafton; Mathew Hale Public Library; St Luke's Anglican School, Bundaberg; The Parish of Goonaneman - *Bronwyn Pagram*

### Monday 13th December

Pss 101, 102:1-11 or Pss 70, 75; Isaiah 10:33-11:9; Mark 9:2-32

The Diocese of Ijumu - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia; Anglican MU Australia; St John's Anglican College, Forest Lake; The Parish of Goondiwindi - *vacant*

### Tuesday 14th December

Pss 108, 109:20-30 or Pss 76, 82; Isaiah 13:1-13; Mark 9:33-50

The Diocese of Ikara - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia; EPIC Assist; St Margaret's Anglican Girls School, Ascot; The Parish of Green Hills - *Bruce Boase, Jonathan Brook*

### Wednesday 15th December

Ps 104:1-25 or Pss 28, 62; Isaiah 14:3-23; Mark 10:1-16

The Diocese of Ikeduru - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); The Diocese of Melbourne; Trinity Centre Pantry, Fortitude Valley; St Paul's School, Bald Hills; The Parish of Grovely - *Stephen Briggs, Judy Shepherd, Deborah Hay, Robert Hay*

### Thursday 16th December

Ps 105:1-22 or Ps 9; Isaiah 15; Mark 10:17-31

The Diocese of Ikka - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); The Diocese of Newcastle; Household of Deacons; The Glennie School, Toowoomba; The Parish of Gympie - *Shaji Joseph, Jane Trigg, Beverley Jane*

### Friday 17th December

Ps 106:1-24 or Ps 86; Isaiah 21; Mark 10:46-11:11

The Diocese of Ikwerre - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); The Diocese of the Northern Territory; Archbishop's Examining Chaplains; The Southport School, Southport; The Parish of Hamilton - *Quinn Humphreys*

### Saturday 18th December

Ps 107:1-22 or Ps 144; Isaiah 22:1-14; Mark 11:12-26

The Diocese of Ikwo North - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); The Diocese of North Queensland; Diocesan Council; The Springfield Anglican College, Springfield; The Parish of Hendra-Clayfield: *Iain Moore*

## PARISH LEADERS & COMMUNITY MINISTRY

<b>Parish Priest :</b>	Rev'd. Claye Middleton
<b>Priest's Warden:</b>	Bob Forrester 0409 317 279
<b>People's Wardens:</b>	Carolyn Buck 0410 621 650 Eli Best
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Roland Seeger 0488 025 575
<b>Councilors:</b>	Paula Rogers, Christine Davies, Fran Spring, Diana Ferrari, Anne Teale, Melissa Maddox
<b>Synod Reps:</b>	Eli Best
<b>Nominators:</b>	Bob Forrester, Trevor Andrew, Jeff Ritchie
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<b>Administration:</b>	Tuesday - Friday 9am - 1pm <b>Appointments only. No walk ins.</b>

Claye is contactable by phone outside of those hours, but he is unavailable on Mondays so please contact one of the wardens (numbers as listed above) if urgent assistance is required on that day.



Emergency Relief Pantry  
Contact Carolyn Buck in person  
or on Mb 0410 621 650



Prayer Chain . Please contact Barbara Johnstone on 3888 4547 or Kris Frith 3092 2185 for your immediate and emergency prayer needs to be directed along the chain. For all other prayer needs please contact the church office.



MU meets on fourth Thursday (9:30am) of each month (except December) at Deception Bay. Please contact Kris Frith on 3092 2185 for further information



Music Group Contact Roland Seeger on 0488 025 575 if you would like to get involved in the music for any of our services



## PARISH FOOD PANTRY

### Items needed

Cereal

Pasta and Sauce

Tinned Fruit

Spaghetti

Fruit Juice

Biscuits

Long Life Milk

Assorted Toiletries

*Thank you to all  
who support this ministry*

XMAS

is

Christmas without Christ.

Don't X him out.

### Cards ! Cards! Cards!

Mothers' Union have a great range of greeting cards to suit all occasions priced at \$1.20ea unless marked otherwise. Available in the church foyer



### THE WELL

Wednesdays

9:00am - 12noon

### Op Shop

This Wednesday spend \$5 and receive a free ticket in the Op Shop Christmas Raffle to be drawn on our last day, 15th December.

Only 1 more Op Shop day before Christmas  
15th December

### **QUESTIONS GOD WON'T ASK**

- \*God won't ask what kind of car you drove, but will ask how many people you drove who didn't have transportation.
- \*God won't ask about the fancy clothes you had in your wardrobe, but he will ask how many of those clothes helped the needy.
- \*God won't ask what you did to help yourself, but will ask what you did to help others.
- \*God won't ask about your social status, but will ask what kind of class you displayed.

### **PARISH DIRECT DEPOSIT**

**BSB: 704 901**

**A/c No: 00001080**

### **Please pray for:**



Joseph, Omar,  
Jacinta, Wilma, Lionel,  
Grahame Johnstone

These names will only remain for the calendar month unless a request to continue is received.

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## *Reflection*

"John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'" ([Luke 3.16](#))

"The Holy Spirit is our advocate."

When I was baptised in the 1930s at the age of 18, I must have been filled with the Holy Spirit, but I didn't know. For decades the Holy Spirit was an enigma to me. Fifty years later in the 1980s, some lay evangelists came to speak at St David's, Chelmer. They gave an address about the Holy Spirit and then invited congregation members to come forward and ask to be filled with the Holy Spirit. After that service when I came forward, I couldn't buy enough books about the Holy Spirit.

Being filled with the Holy Spirit gave me more energy and fire to pray and serve God. The Holy Spirit helps us to be patient, kind, accepting and open so we can serve God faithfully. The Holy Spirit makes us smile – sour Christians put others off the faith. The Holy Spirit also helps us to be forgiving. To me, the most important part of living is being forgiving.

When I was young, the Holy Spirit didn't mean much to me – the Holy Spirit just seemed to be tacked onto the end of prayers. But, the Holy Spirit is the spirit of Jesus. When we pray to Jesus, we are praying to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is our advocate, praying for us.

A Spirit-filled person is patient, kind, joyful, peace-loving and forgiving, and you feel better having been with them.

Margaret Thurgood  
A Centenarian parishioner

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
12 Dec	13 Dec	14 Dec	15 Dec	16 Dec	17 Dec	18 Dec
<b>8:30am</b> Contemporary Eucharist	Claye RDO		<b>9:00am</b> Men's Coffee <b>9am-12n</b> The Well <b>9am-2pm</b> Op Shop <b>1:00pm</b> AMS meeting <b>7:00pm</b> Parish Council	<b>9:30am</b> Palm Lake Aged Care  <b>10:30am</b> Narangba Community Aged Care  <b>7:00pm</b> Advent Study at the Frith's		
<b>5:00pm</b> Traditional Eucharist						
19 Dec	20 Dec	21 Dec	22 Dec	23 Dec	24 Dec	25 Dec
<b>8:30am</b> Contemporary Eucharist	Claye RDO		<b>9:00am</b> Men's Coffee		<b>6:00pm</b> Nine Lessons and Carols	<b>Christmas Day</b> <b>8:30am</b> Traditional Eucharist
<b>5:00pm</b> Traditional Eucharist					<b>11:30pm</b> Midnight Mass	<b>NO</b> <b>5:00pm</b> <b>service</b>
26 Dec	27 Dec	28 Dec	29 Dec	30 Dec	31 Dec	01 Jan
<b>8:30am</b> Baptism & Eucharist	Claye RDO		<b>9:00am</b> Men's Coffee			
<b>NO</b> <b>5:00pm</b> <b>service</b>						

## Nicene Creed Study for Advent

**This year's Synod asked for a study on the words "and the Son" in the Nicene Creed. It's here! There will be two study groups to choose from in the last week.**

**10:00am Tuesday 14 Dec  
at the church**

**7:00pm Thursday 16 Dec  
at Doug & Kris Frith's home 67 Phillip Parade, Deception Bay**



### Synod 2022

The Archbishop has determined that the Second Session of the Eightieth Synod will meet from 24–26 June 2022.

### Have you noticed!!

The countdown to Christmas has begun and there are plenty of Advent Calendars on sale, but sadly not all on the subject of the Nativity. Shops are full of calendars devoted to cartoon characters, pop stars, confectionary and the like. Another example of the commercial inroads into an important Christmas observance.



### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

#### Christmas Eve - 24 December

6:00pm Nine Lessons and Carols  
11:30pm Midnight Mass

#### Christmas Day - 25 December

8:30am Traditional Eucharist

#### Sunday - 26 December

One Parish Service  
8:30am Eucharist with Baptism



### STITCHES IN TIME

#### The Cushions of St. John's Cathedral

A beautifully compiled and visually stunning book recording the intricate labours of many. Available from the Cathedral Book Shop. The book retails for \$30. Standard postage is \$15:95 and Express \$19:95