Parish of St Christopher's City Beach



A very warm welcome to St Christopher's. You are invited to stay for morning tea after the 9am & 9.30am services.

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Cheques for the parish to be made payable to: 'ACF: Parish of City Beach'

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany 29 January 2023



Sentence

Now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.

1 Corinthians 13.14

Collect

Righteous God, you confound the world's wisdom by giving your blessing to the lowly and pure in heart: give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the promise of your kingdom, which has been revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



SERVICE TIMES AT ST CHRISTOPHERS



SUNDAY EUCHARIST SERVICE 7.30 & 9.30am

COMBINED EUCHARIST SERVICE: First Sunday of the Month 9.00am

MIDWEEK EUCHARIST SERVICE: Wednesday 10.00am

Please visit our website: <u>stchristophersanglicanchurchcitybeach.weebly.com</u> for sermons, liturgical & prayer resources & other links

Ngala kaadítj Nyoongar moort keyen kaadak nídja boodja. We acknowledge the Nyoongar people as the original custodians of this land.

Reflection – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Matthew 5.1-12



The rendering of the Greek term used in this Gospel text as 'happy' as many translations do is somewhat weak. A better term is 'blessed' as we have in the translation that we use – New Revised Standard Version.

At the heart of the Beatitudes is Jesus' instructions to his followers to foster certain qualities in their lives. To be gentle, to mourn, to thirst for what is right, to be merciful, to be pure of heart and to be peacemakers are signs of the presence of the Kingdom of God in our lives. Jesus lived by these qualities himself and we can notice them in his words and actions during his life with us on earth. To have such virtues is to be blessed. Jesus teaches that those who suffer some human lack or pain are blessed, not because poverty, pain or sorrow are good in themselves, but because they reveal to us our need for God. Those who are prosperous, comfortable or content find this much more difficult to realise and accept.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Our parish community: The Parish Council, Lay Pastoral Ministers, Liturgical Assistants, Revd. Pat, and all who serve in the varying ministries of our parish.
- ❖ The Anglican Church: Abp Canterbury Justin Welby; Primate Abp Geoffrey Smith, Abp Kay Goldsworthy AO; Assistant Bishop Kate Wilmot, and Bishop Jeremy as he prepares to be installed as bishop of Willochra.
- All who are in need, sick or grieving: Revd. Joyce, Colin, Karyn, David, Chum, Michaela, the Legarda family.
- Our World: An end to all hostilities in Ukraine and other conflicts.

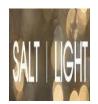
Please inform Revd. Pat or Joy Campbell if you would like a name added or removed from the list.

ANOINTING and PRAYER for healing is available immediately after Holy Communion. Please sit in the chair next to the votive candle. Alternatively, speak to Revd. Pat

A VERY BIG THANK YOU to all who donated to the Anglicare WA Schools and St Bart's Hamper Christmas Appeals. Your generosity was immeasurable!

ROSTER FOR 5 FEBRUARY 2023

Lectionary Readings: Isiah 58.1-9a; Ps112; 1 Corinthians 2.1-13; Matthew 5.13-20		
	9.00am	
LPM/LA	Sarah Masterton	
WELCOMERS	Andrew & Pat Scotford	
FIRST READING	Jane Hughes	
SECOND READING	Andrew Scotford	
MORNING TEA	Gracy Cherian	
FRESHEN & FLOWERS	Natalie Laurenson & Melanie Elliott	
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO YOUR DUTIES PLEASE SWAP AND ADVISE REVD. PAT		



Reflection - Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Matthew 5.13-20

We may be totally filled with the spirit of the Beatitudes, but it will not do very much good unless their effects are clearly seen in our lives. We have not only to be disciples of Christ but also need to proclaim him.

In today's gospel reading Jesus presents us with a number of images expressing this. "You are the salt of the earth." Salt is an essential ingredient in almost all cooked food to provide taste. We are to be like salt; we are to give taste, zest to our environment. Jesus tells us to let our light shine before others that in seeing our good deeds they will glorify God. Our good deeds are deeds of love and grace which change the environment around us. When people are pulling others down, we build up. When people mock Christ we praise Him. We shine forth the gospel in our love for God and for our neighbours. www.sacredspace.ie

ROSTER FOR SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2023

Lectionary Readings: Deuteronomy 10.12-22; Ps 119.1-8; 1 Corinthians 3.1-9; Matthew 5.21-37		
	7.30am	9.30am
LPM/LA	Bob Laurenson	Elaine Embleton
WELCOMERS	J Munt & L King	D Stewart & P Hann
FIRST READING	Jocelyn Munt	Jane Hughes
SECOND READING	Lyn King	Don Stewart
MORNING TEA		Isobel Jones
FRESHEN & FLOWERS	Deborah Haynes & Helen Feutrill	
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO YOUR DUTIES PLEASE SWAP AND ADVISE REVD. PAT		

Diary Dates

Wednesdays in February	Mid-Week Eucharist 10am	
Sunday 5 February	Combined Sunday Eucharist Service 9am	
Monday 6 February	Weekly Toddler Jam resumes 9.30am	
Wednesday 8 February	Weekly Reflection Group resumes 10.30am	
Monday 13 February	Taizé Service 6.30pm	
Sunday 19 February	Crosslinks Monthly Service (Floreat Park) 5.30pm	
Wednesday 22 February	Ash Wednesday Eucharist Service 10am & 6pm	
Wednesday 22 February	Parish Council Meeting 4pm	
Sunday 26 February	Songs of Praise Service & Sausage Sizzle 5pm	
Tuesday 28 February	Ocean Gardens Holy Communion 10am	
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HEALTH WORK & SAFETY

Health Work & Safety in the parish is the responsibility of all, and we encourage everyone to promptly report all unsafe matters you see within the church building or grounds to Bob Laurenson (9341 5914) or David Munt (9385 9323). Please check out the Health and Safety noticeboard in the hall regularly for important information including 'emergency evacuation' procedures.

SUNDAY SERVICES will revert to usual times as of Sunday 5 February



We are not taking up a collection during the service. You will find the offertory plate at the back of the church at the entry to the worship area. Direct debit forms are also available in the foyer and on our website. Thank you for your contribution to the work and mission of the church which is very gratefully received.

Parish Songs of Praise and Sausage Sizzle 26 February 2023 at 5pm

Join with us to sing some favourite hymns followed by a time of fellowship and friendship.



LENTEN STUDY 2023

Wednesday's in March 6.30-7.30pm

Please join us in A Journey Through the Stations of the Cross in the Anglican tradition. By entering into a deeper understanding and experience of the passion of Jesus, we might then be ready to celebrate Easter with newfound joy and freedom.



Our weekly food collection is used to support **ASCENSION CONNECTION** — a walk-in food relief service run by the Anglican Church of the Ascension, Midland. Thank you for your continued donations and to Dick Shepherd who coordinates delivery.





TAIZE

a service in prayer and song & silence and scripture Monday 13 February at 6.30pm



Congratulations and blessings to all who celebrate a birthday or anniversary in the coming fortnight!