

Parish of St Christopher's City Beach

PEW SHEET



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'**

Third Sunday of Lent

12 March 2023



Sentence

The water that I will give,' says the Lord, 'will become in you a spring of water welling up to eternal life.' John 4.14

Collect

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ: stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may profess our faith with freshness and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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: stchristophersanglicanchurchcitybeach.weebly.com
for sermons, liturgical & prayer resources & other links

*Ngala kaaditj Nyoongar moort keyen kaadak nidja boodja.
We acknowledge the Nyoongar people as the original custodians of this land.*



Reflection – Third Sunday in Lent: John 4.5-42

Jesus, in the Gospel of John, encounters a Samaritan woman; the encounter occurs, significantly, at a watering hole, at Jacob’s Well. Jesus asks her for a drink. She hesitates incredulous that a Jew and

male would ask her a Samaritan and a female for a drink - Jews typically despise and shun Samaritans. Jesus assures her that he will give her “living water”: “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” Touched deeply by Jesus, the woman spreads the word to her fellow Samaritans. And the gospel tells us that many Samaritans came to believe in him. God comes to the Samaritans, unexpected and unmerited.

We are all, like the Jews wandering in the desert and like the Samaritan woman in need for God! We are needy human beings wandering in the desert of our often secular and materialistic culture. But we have been invited into a new relationship with God through the gift of the Holy Spirit poured into our hearts. And Lent is the liturgical season that invites us to plumb our emptiness and alienation from God and to return to Jesus. www.sacredspace.ie

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.
- ❖ All who are in need, sick or grieving: Revd. Joyce, Colin, Karyn, David, Chum, Michaela, Cliff, John, Margie, Jeff, Liesl, Nicole, Theo
- ❖ Our World: Ukraine, Middle East, Turkey, Syria, Sudan

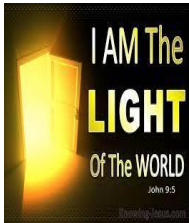
If you wish for a name to be added or removed from the prayer list please speak to Revd. Pat



ROSTERS FOR SUNDAY 19 MARCH 2023

Lectionary Readings: 1 Samuel 16.1-3; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5.8-14; John 9.1-41		
	7.30am	9.30am
LPM/LA	Bob Laurensen	Elaine Embleton
WELCOMERS	J Campbell & M Nayler	J Davis & D Shepherd
FIRST READING	Joy Campbell	Judith Davis
SECOND READING	Margie Nayler	Liesl Mahood
MORNING TEA		Gracie Cherian & Liesl Mahood
FRESHEN & FLOWERS	No flowers in Lent	
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO YOUR DUTIES PLEASE SWAP AND ADVISE REVD. PAT		

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



Reflection – Fourth Sunday in Lent John 9.1-41

Jesus and his disciples come across a man born blind. The disciples ask who sinned for this man to be blind. Jesus replies that it is not about sin but for the purpose of glorifying God. Jesus spits, makes some mud with the saliva and rubs it on the man's eyes. Jesus tells the man to go and wash in the Pool of Siloam, which he does and he is then healed. The Pharisees investigate the healing, questioning the man and his parents. The Pharisees needed to make sure that this healing was authentic. But their fear of promoting a false Messiah prevented them from seeing what the true Messiah had actually done. They rejected the man's testimony and they rejected Jesus.

Religion makes us blind to the activity of God. Like the Pharisees, we can be so intent on protecting God's reputation that we miss what He is actually doing. Jesus is still healing people and He is still performing all kinds of signs for those who will see them. We need to open our eyes to the works of the Spirit.

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ROSTER FOR SUNDAY 26 MARCH 2023

Lectionary Readings: Ezekiel 37.1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8.6-11; John 11.1-45		
	7.30am	9.30am
LPM/LA	Ann Boyer	Sarah Masterton
WELCOMERS	P Cowan & K Hatherly	Andrew & Pat Scotford
FIRST READING	Pru Cowan	Nicole Deeny
SECOND READING	Lyn King	Andrew Scotford
MORNING TEA		Ann Boyer
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Diary Dates

Mondays in March	Toddler Jam 9.30am
Monday 13 March	Taizé Service 6.30pm
Wednesdays in March	Mid-Week Eucharist 10am
Wednesdays in March	Lenten Study 6.30-7.30pm preceded by BBQ at 5.30pm BYO meat
Sunday 19 March	Crosslinks Monthly Service (Floreath Park) 5.30pm
Wednesday 22 March	Parish Council meeting 4 pm
Tuesday 28 February	Ocean Gardens Holy Communion 10am

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. This can be done by filling out the form attached to the WHS Noticeboard or notifying either Bob Laurensen 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.

TAIZE

a service in prayer and song
& silence and scripture

Monday 13 March at 6.30pm

All welcome!



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.



LENTEN STUDY 2023

Wednesday's in March 6.30-7.30pm



The study will be preceded by an optional barbeque commencing at 5.30pm. BYO meat!

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.



VOLUNTEER READERS FOR HOLY WEEK

A number of readers are required for our extra services during Holy Week. If you would like to read please sign the list in the foyer under your preferred service. This is an opportunity for anyone who would like to be involved in reading to do so, whether you are a rostered reader or not.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICE TIMES 2023



Monday 3 April: TAIZE SERVICE 6.30pm

Thursday 6 April: MAUNDY THURSDAY EUCHARIST 6.30pm

Friday 7 April: GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 9.00am

Sunday 9 April: EASTER SUNDAY EUCHARIST 9.00am

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed in so many different ways to the wonderful success of our Songs of Praise Service & Sausage Sizzle, and World Day of Prayer Service. Particular thanks to Elaine Embleton for her co-ordination and leadership of the latter.



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

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