Christian Meditation Starting on Monday morning 15th January 2024 at 8:30am. Please contact the coordinator Helen Kness for further information.



If you are interested in helping with the English Conversation group, please come along on Monday afternoon January 15th, starting at 2pm for training.

Christian Religious Instruction

INSTRUCTORS and ASSISTANTS NEEDED.



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AGM on 11th Feburary ...2024 beginning at 8:30am. ANNUAL REPORTS NOW DUE



Jane and Phil advise that the little Yakult bottles are NOT eligible for a 10c refund from **Containers for Change.**

ALPHA

Barry Doyle Coordinator 0412 818 083 Wednesday evening at 6:00pm Watching the movie 'The Chosen'. All welcome

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY GROUP in 2023/4

Please phone/email a contact person to join a group **TUESDAYS**

12.30 pm Jane Parry 0403 369 467)

Jim Raistrick jim@surfersanglican.au 3.15 pm

Sandra Uptin sandrauptin@icloud.com 7.00 pm

7.00 pm Robert Kelly 0439 339 395

WEDNESDAYS

10.00 am Rev George Stuart 0407 741 669 Judith Atkins 5532 0798 11.00 am ALPHA (Barry Doyle) 0412 818 083 6.00pm

In Remembrance

Ray Scamp (13.1.12)



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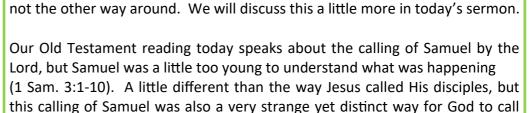
2nd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY 14th January 2024

Bringing Jesus to our Gold Coast community

Hello Surfers!

We're finally settling into 2024 and it's been a rocky start to the year with the various storms and foul weather, but I do feel that there are a lot of new things happening that will engage us in many ways. From the new Christian Meditation classes that start tomorrow (Monday) to the Conversation English classes to the extra Ladies Indoor Fitness classes that will be starting on Saturday mornings, as well as Wednesday mornings. Certainly a lot of options that cater to a lot of people.

This year we will be predominantly focussed on Mark's gospel account, although today the lectionary has us reading from John. John records in today's reading about the calling of some of the first disciples; Nathanael and Philip (Jn. 1:43-51). It is interesting that Jesus goes against the norm for society even here, where it was common for potential disciples to choose their Rabbi, but



The allocated Psalm for today jumps around a little, speaking about the way God knows us in deep, intimate ways that we barely recognise ourselves (Ps. 139:1-5,12-18). It is ironically both comforting and unsettling that God knows us each individually in such a minute way. On one hand we must recognise that the Creator of all there is would, of course, know everything about us. But on the other hand it is quite saddening that God sees everything we do; the good, the bad, the ugly.

In our New Testament reading the Apostle Paul speaks directly about some of those unpleasant, ugly parts of ourselves (1 Cor. 6:12-20). THE We may not want to dwell on them, but we know they exist. BODY Sexual immorality must be fled from as it corrupts the soul BELONGS TO and distances ourselves from the holiness of God. JESUS | Paul reminds us that we were purchased for a price from the

corrupting influence of sin; Jesus Christ gave His very life to save us and redeem us. Let us not sell ourselves so easily into corruption.

I pray you have a blessed week.

Jim Raistrick,

His servants.

Priest-in-charge.

BIBLE READINGS

1 Samuel 3: 1-10 (pg 215) Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20 (pg 929)

Monday 15th January

John 1: 43-51 (pg 863)

8.30am **Morning Prayer** 8.30am **Prayer Meditation** 2.00pm **Conversion English**

Tuesday 16th January

Morning Prayer

Wednesday 17th January

8.30am **Morning Prayer** 10.00am **Holy Communion** 6.00pm Alpha (The Chosen)

Thursday 18th January

8.30am **Morning Prayer**

Friday 19th January

(Jim's Day off)

Saturday 20th January 9:00am Music Practice (Sandra U)

Sunday 21st January

7.30am **Holy Communion** 9.30 am **Holy Communion**

> **Parish Council Monday** 22nd January 2024

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 21ST JANUARY

Jonah 3: 1-10 Psalm. 62: 5-12 1 Cor. 7: 29-31

Mark 1: 14-20



20th Patricia Jackson 21st Pauline Barber