



We welcome Zahra-Rose and Olivia Grace who will be baptised here today.

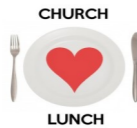
SUNDAY 18th February 2024

Church Luncheon

11:30 am -1pm in Church Hall

Bring a plate of food to share.
A time of getting to know one another after church

EVERYONE WELCOME



February Birthdays

4th Mike Uptin
6th Gina Drescher
7th Philip Prouten

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY GROUP in 2024

Please phone/email the contact person to join a group:

TUESDAYS

12.30 pm Jane Parry 0403 369 467
3.15 pm Jim Raistrick jim@surfersanglican.au
7.00 pm Sandra Uptin sandrauptin@icloud.com
7.00 pm Robert Kelly 0439 339 395

WEDNESDAYS

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



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REMINDER

AGM on 11th February 2024 beginning at 11.00am
Please come along and participate.

TARA MISSION FOCUS

We're looking forward to our trip this year !



Please contact Judith
judatk@bigpond.com

In Remembrance



Alan Kingsley-Smith (5.2.15)
Rae Fairlie (6.2.18)
Margaret (Peg) Banbrook (8.2.17)
Lesley Peardon (6.2.23)

Surf Report

5th SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

4th February 2024

Bringing Jesus to our Gold Coast community

Hello Surfers!

Today we begin Mission Week where we celebrate our missional partners. At both services this morning we will be hearing about our relationship with Tara Anglican Parish. I'm really looking forward to getting some updates because our mission trip last year had to be cancelled due to the fires. Please join with me in welcoming our presenter today.

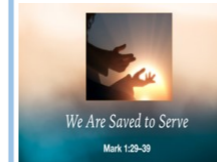
We also have two Baptism services scheduled for later in the day. At 11:30am, we have the Mackintosh family, where I will be conducting the service, and at 4:30pm the Rev'd Trevor Sketcher will be presiding. Your prayers for both families are very welcome.

Our Old Testament reading today comes from the prophet Isaiah, where poetic language is used to compare human lifespans with God (Is. 40:21-31). No matter how high we rise in status and power in our lives, nothing compares with the majesty and power of the God who created life.



The writer of today's psalm also speaks to the nature of God, showing Him to be both powerful and merciful (Ps. 147:1-11). We are reminded that God gathers the outcast, heals the broken-hearted, lifts up the humble and takes pleasure in those who fear Him and hope in His steadfast love.

In our gospel reading today we find Jesus again healing those who are in need (Mk. 1:29-39). Mark uses one of his most frequently utilised words several times in this reading: This word is typically translated as 'immediately' or 'straightaway', indicating the importance of speed in each task. Jesus leaves the synagogue, then



His disciples tell Him about Simon-Peter's mother-in-law being unwell. Jesus spoke with the leper and the leprosy left him, and so on. It is important to Mark that his readers understand the timeliness of things that are happening here.

Today I will be preaching more particularly about the New Testament reading for today, where the Apostle Paul is writing to the church in Corinth (1 Cor. 9:16-23). This is one of the passages that really spoke to me in Bible College about the necessity to become a preacher. Paul writes, 'for if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting, as [being a preacher] is an imperative laid upon me.' I very much felt the same way when I first heard the gospel preached about 14 years ago.

Just a reminder that the Archbishop will be joining us next Sunday. If you have joined our congregation recently from another denomination and would like to be received into the Anglican Communion to become a full communicant member of our Parish, please let me know early in the week and the Archbishop will be able to welcome you into the community.

I pray you have a blessed week.

Jim Raistrick,

Priest-in-charge.

BIBLE READINGS

Isaiah 40: 21-31 (page 582)
Psalm. 147: 1-11
1 Cor. 9: 16-23 (931)
Mark 1: 29-39 (813)

Monday 5th February

8.30am Morning Prayer
8.30am Prayer Meditation
9.30am Craft Group
2.00pm Conversation English

Tuesday 6th February

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Paintpots
3.15pm Jim's Bible Study

Wednesday 7th February

8.30am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Bible Study
3.00pm Pure Dance
6.00pm Alpha (**The Chosen**)

Thursday 8th February

8.30am Morning Prayer

Friday 9th February

(Jim's Day off)
9.30 am Mainly Music (commences)

Saturday 10th February

8.30am Indoor Fitness
9:00am Music Practice (Sandra C)

Sunday 11th February

(ArchBishop Jeremy Greaves presiding at both Services)

7.30am Holy Communion
9.30 am Holy Communion

READINGS FOR SUNDAY

11th February

2 Kings 5: 1-14
Psalm 30
1 Cor 9: 24-27
Mark 1: 40-45

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