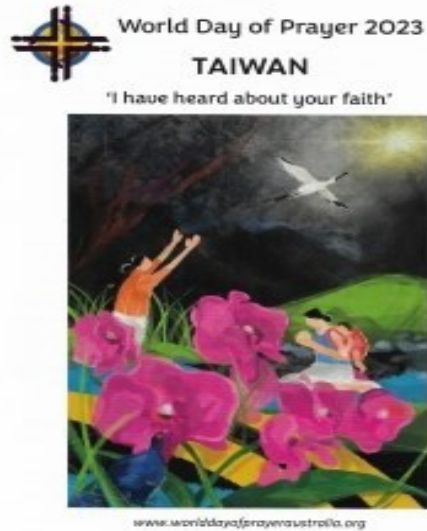


Notes to Remember:

- *At Parish Council Meeting, it was decided that fund raising events could and should be held this year.*
- *The First event Pan Cake Night on Tuesday 21st February.*
- *Second event End of Day Light Breakfast.*
- *The Catering committee have been asked to organise these events, but they will require a lot of help.*

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The date is 3rd March 2023 at 10.00 am, being held in our church this year. Women from Taiwan have prepared the service.

Parishioners please ask your family and friends to join us for this morning. There will be morning tea after the service and it would be appreciated if you could bring slice or cake. Thank you.



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FEBRUARY 19TH YEAR A 2023 LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY TRANSFIGURATION.



Sentence

Do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we wear?' Strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Matthew 6: 31, 33

Prayer of the Day

O God, before whose face we are not made righteous even by being right: free us from the need to justify ourselves by our own anxious striving, that we may be abandoned to faith in you alone; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Exodus 24: 12-18

12 The Lord said to Moses, ‘Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction.’

13 Then Moses set out with Joshua his assistant, and Moses went up on the mountain of God. 14 He said to the elders, ‘Wait here for us until we come back to you. Aaron and Hur are with you, and anyone involved in a dispute can go to them.’ 15 When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, 16 and the glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the Lord called to Moses from within the cloud. 17 To the Israelites the glory of the Lord looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain.

18 Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 2

**1 Why are the nations in tumult:
and why do the peoples cherish a vain dream?**

**2 The kings of the earth rise up
and the rulers conspire together:
against the Lord and against his anointed, saying,**

We welcome everyone

BIRTHDAY’S:



Congratulations
to those celebrating
Birthdays:
Joyce Heaslip & Lesley Rodgers
20th
NoAnniversaries this coming
week.

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Love One Another

A warm, ready smile
Or a kind, thoughtful
deed,
Or a hand
outstretched in an
hour of need
Can change our
whole outlook
And make the world
bright
Where a minute
before
Just nothing seemed
right –
It’s a wonderful
world,
And it always will be
If we keep our eyes
open
And focused to see
The wonderful things
We are capable of
When we open our
hearts
To God and His love.

HOLY COMMUNION

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY Year A.

Marie Seckold
Licensed Lay Minister on Duty

Exodus 24: 12-28 Fran Mitchell

2 Peter 1: 16-21 Rhonda Widdows

Matthew 17: 1-13

Parish of West Wyalong Mission Statement

WE SHALL SERVE CHRIST AND OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY AS AN ALL-AGE WELL-RESOURCED GROWING ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP USING THE "FIVE MARKS OF MISSION"

1. Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom.
2. Teach, baptise, and nurture new believers.
3. Respond to human need by loving service
4. Seek to transform unjust structures of society.
5. Strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 26 TH FEBRUARY 2023

Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7 Stan Dodgson

Romans 5: 12-21 Marie Seckold

Luke 22: 1-23



Next Service 26TH FEBRUARY 2023

SIDE PERSONS:

Fran Mitchell



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MORNING TEA



Lyn Jamieson
Gwen Downey



Arrangements have been made for professional cleaner to come

CHURCH CLEANING



BRASS CLEANING



FLOWER ARRANGING

Shirley Magrath

Frank Magrath
Terry Butcher



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COUNTING TODAY

Service Schedule



Service for next Sunday:
Holy Communion 9.30am

3 'Let us break their bonds asunder:
let us throw off their chains from us.'

4 He that dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn:
the Lord will hold them in derision.

5 Then will he speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury:

'I, the Lord, have set up my king on Zion my holy hill.'

6 I will announce the Lord's decree,
that which he has spoken:

'You are my son, this day have I begotten you.

7 'Ask of me,

and I will give you the nations for your inheritance:
the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession.

8 'You may break them with a rod of iron:
and shatter them in pieces like a potter's vessel.'

9 Now therefore be wise, O kings:

be advised, you that are judges of the earth.

10 Serve the Lord with awe,

and govern yourselves in fear and trembling:

lest he be angry, and you perish in your course.

11 For his wrath is quickly kindled:

blessed are those that turn to him for refuge.

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2 Peter 1: 16-21

16 For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eye-witnesses of his majesty. 17 He received honour and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, ‘This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.’ 18 We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain. 19 We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. 20 Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation of things. 21 For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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The Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ According to ...

Matthew 17; 1-13

1 After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. 2 There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light.



Prayer Requests

Our Nation : Prime Minister, Premier, our Mayor and Councillors. All elected and appointed people in positions of responsibility and their decision making.



Worldwide Church: Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

National Church: The Diocese of Perth with Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy and assistant bishop, Kate Wilmot, clergy and people. Pray for unity in the gospel and effectiveness in making Jesus known across the diocese.

Bathurst Diocese: The parish of Holy Trinity Dubbo with the Venerable Brett Watterson assisted by the Rev’d Michelle Watterson, the Rev’d Ray Tickle and Lynette, and the Rev’d Cathy Walker and Peter. Pray that Lizzie Watterson as part time youth minister will be equipped to love those under her care and continually encourage them in their relationship with the Lord Jesus. Pray that more people in Dubbo will come to know Jesus as Lord and Saviour and take their part in building up God’s church.

Local needs: Pray for youth and children’s ministry in our diocese – that young people will be lovingly and carefully encouraged to grow in their love for Jesus and their desire to serve and honour him in their entire lives. Pray for those involved in safe ministry training and professional standards matters, including the Rev’d Peter Barnett that he might be given wisdom and grace for the task. Pray for those who have been abused by clergy and lay people in our diocese that they will be comforted and helped.

Parish: We are thankful to God for His ongoing provision for us, and pray that He would guide us in His infinitely great wisdom for how we can faithfully serve His Kingdom in our community.

Community: St. Vincent De Paul, Anglicare, Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels, Can Assist Committee, Far West Committee, Community Transport and their drivers. Ambulance and Police Services, all Doctors and Nursing Staff at our local hospital..

We pray for Healing for: All patients, who are in hospital, the Residents of the Waratah Village. We give thanks for the doctors and all staff who take care of them.

Faithful Departed: We pray for the families of their departed loved ones on the anniversary of their death: Lila Sibraa, Marjorie Herridge, Betty Cornell, Kay Quinn, Donald Maitland, Alice Scriven, Matthew Smith, Jack Campbell, William Sibraa, “Snow” Fuller, Beryl Burge, Bruce Spackman.

ANGLICARE

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Hopefully, most of you know that part of our being here at St Barnabas is that we serve as Bush Church Aid Field Staff. Hopefully also you know a bit about BCA, maybe you're a BCA supporter – if you are, thank you!

For those who are perhaps unfamiliar with Bush Church Aid and the work it does, I thought it might be helpful to provide a bit of an overview.

BCA began in 1919, when a group of 26 men and women gathered at St Andrews' Cathedral in Sydney to form the Bush Church Aid Society, with the aim of reaching Australia for Christ.

BCA has been involved in ministries such as hostel accommodation, bush hospitals, flying medical services, church planting, chaplaincy, SRE and supporting ministers in church right around Australia.

Today, there are Bush Church Aid Field Staff in 19 of the 23 Anglican Diocese in Australia, working in all manner of ministries. Our slogan is 'going the distance' – that is we will go anywhere, no matter how far, so that people hear about Jesus and are brought into relationship with the living God.

Part of the joy of being Bush Church Aid Field Staff is that the incredible support we receive from people all around Australia. Each month, BCA produces a prayer diary, where each day, particular field staff are prayed for.

We also have 'link churches' – churches that we have a special relationship with and who support us in prayer and encouragement, and who love to hear what God is doing in our church.

Caitlin and I are delighted to be serving as Bush Church Aid Field Staff here at St Barnabas, as together we go the distance for Jesus in our local community.

If you want to know more about BCA, chat to us or check out the website:
<https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au/>

3 Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. 4 Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters – one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' 5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!' 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell face down to the ground, terrified. 7 But Jesus came and touched them. 'Get up,' he said. 'Don't be afraid.' 8 When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, 'Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.' 10 The disciples asked him, "Why then do the teachers of the law say that Elijah must come first?" 11 Jesus replied, "To be sure, Elijah comes and will restore all things. 12 But I tell you, Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but have done to him everything they wished. In the same way the Son of Man is going to suffer at their hands." 13 Then the disciples understood that he was talking to them about John the Baptist.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Sermon Title: The Transfiguration.

Passage: Matthew 17: 1-13

1. Jesus' True Nature Revealed.

2. Jesus' True Purpose Revealed.

3. What's Your Response?

Mountaintop Experiences

The transfiguration of Jesus is a powerful account of God intervening in his world. God continues to be involved in our human situation, though not as spectacularly as on the mount of transfiguration.

Your mount of transfiguration may be a revival meeting, or a summer retreat at a conference centre, or a crisis experience involving the death of a loved one. The location is not important, but it is crucial to experience those breakthroughs that anticipate the glory of the future and so confirm the sufferings of the past and present.

At first sight, it might appear that the transfiguration is totally irrelevant to our modern times. However, like the disciples we are faced with the prospect of carrying our own cross. Like them, we are tempted to wonder if God is really at work in this world at all, if righteousness is really stronger than evil, if it is really worthwhile to be faithful.

But in case pessimism should feed despair, God has not left himself without a witness. In more ways than one he permits us to glimpse the glory that is to be revealed in the coming of the kingdom.

For those who have eyes to see, the coming kingdom is the light of heaven breaking behind the shadows of the cross. On the landscape of life there are just enough mountaintop experiences to provide the strength to trudge through the difficult parts of our lives.

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