

GRACE BULLETIN

OUR MISSION: To know Christ and to make Him known 2ND FEBRUARY 2020 - FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

WELCOME! A warm welcome to all of you as we worship together today. May God

bless and strengthen you in every way.

VISITORS! A special welcome to you. We hope that you feel at home with us.

Please join in a cuppa and fellowship after the service.



Thursday Saturday

Lucy Cook
Sue Coghlan

"On your birthday let your heart leap for joy, and praise God with song!"

Psalm 28:7

<u>BCC NOTICE</u> Please remember those who call on Bayside Community Care in your prayers, your giving of financial aid and non-perishable food items. Perhaps God is calling you to give some of your time to this important ministry. All contributions are greatly appreciated. Thank you, Lord, for allowing us to show love to those living in our neighbourhood, who are less fortunate. Amen.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE BULLETIN NEED TO BE IN BY WEDNESDAY 12PM.

FOR YOUR DIARY				
Thu	6	Feb	9:00am	mainly music (GLC Hall)
Fri	7	Feb	6:30pm	Men's Shed (Bob Claridge's home)
				Ladies Night (Redcliffe Tavern)
Sat	8	Feb	9:00am	Open Day at Grace Lutheran Creche and Kindergarten
Wed	12	Feb	1:30pm	Care Team Meeting (GLC Hall)
Thu	13	Feb	2:00pm	Year 3 Bible Presentation (GLPS Hall)
Sun	23	Feb	8:30am	Education Sunday (GLPS Hall)
Tue	25	Feb	6:30am	Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day (GLPS)
Wed	26	Feb	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Worship Service (GL Church)
Fri	6	Mar	10:00am	World Day of Prayer (St Mary's Anglican Church)
Sun	8	Mar	10:30am	Country Drive
Sat	14	Mar		ALWS Walk My Way (Gold Coast)

PRAYER POINTS

The Holy Spirit through the Apostle Paul reminds us that God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. We come before God in our weakness, acknowledging that we are totally dependent on Him, seeking His strength and wisdom.

In our prayers:

- * thanksgiving to God for the gift of creation, and that He has given us His Law that calls us to act justly, love mercy, and to walk humbly with God;
- * all affected by any disaster, including those affected by coronavirus in China; drought, fires and floods across Australia (with prayers of thanksgiving for rains received);
- * leaders in the world that they seek to enact laws in accord with God's Word, and strive to be peacemakers (including U.S. in time of Impeachment and Presidential election processes; U.K and E.U. in 'Brexit' process; peace in places including the Middle East, South Sudan, Myanmar and for the Rohingya people; and all refugees around the world);
- * leaders of our Nation including Prime Minister Scott Morrison, Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk, MP Luke Howarth, MLA Yvette D'Ath, Acting Mayor Mike Charlton;
- thanksgiving to God that we are united with Jesus who is God's wisdom for us and our righteousness and holiness and redemption;
- the church on earth that we would reject the world's 'wisdom' and seek to faithfully proclaim the message of Christ crucified;
- * the Lutheran Church of Australia; for Australian Lutheran College; for National Bishop Pastor John Henderson, and LCAQD Bishop Pastor Paul Smith, for Pastor installations in LCAQD (9 Feb Geoff Johnston Alberton-Woongoolba / LORDS; 16 Feb Jim Luan (Graduate Pastor) Laidley; 23 Feb Greg Graham & Ryan Norris Bundaberg);
- * all who serve overseas including LCA Missions and Pastor Graham Harms as he travels to Indonesia; and Anke, Patrick, Benjamin and Jeremy Sprau, departing for Ukarumpa, PNG to serve in Wycliffe SIL's mission hub
- * local Christian Congregations (including Lighthouse Centre & Lord of the Breakthrough) and ministries (including Redcliffe Church Leaders' meeting, 5th Feb);
- * thanksgiving to God for the blessings He gives as the Spirit guides us to live as members of His kingdom;
- * our 'Community of Grace' including the Kindy (for all children, family, and staff including Sharon Felipe appointed as Service Leader, and Kindy Open Day on 8th Feb); as also "Education Sunday" on 23rd Feb 8:30 am GLPS Hall;
- God's guiding on all those preparing for baptism in the weeks ahead (including Franklin Sone, 16th Feb)
- * all who rejoice in birthdays, baptism anniversaries, wedding anniversaries;
- the sick, the housebound, all in hospital, and all recovering or preparing for surgery (including Kay Jaunais);

If you wish to have any specific prayer points added in the Bulletin, please send to Pastor Mark (mark.brinkmann@lca.org.au) by Wednesday morning, 9am.

Please also note Privacy Act and need to have permission from people.

<u>DO YOU NEED A PAPER COPY OF THE BULLETIN?</u> IF NOT, please place a small sticker on your pigeonhole. (Stickers alongside pigeonholes).

SHROVE/ TUESDAY/PANCAKE DAY AT GRACE LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL Grace congregation have been asked to support the Grace Primary School Pancake Day breakfast. We need volunteers to cook, serve and clean up on TUESDAY 25 February from 6.30 am - 9.00 am. The event will be held at the Tuckshop area of the Primary School. There is no charge for the pancakes and the school is funding this 'Together With' opportunity. All helpers on site must hold a current blue card. Please see Keith or Desley if you can help.

<u>BIG PRINT WORSHIP ORDER</u> If you worship at Maine Road and would like to receive Large Print Worship Order each Sunday, please register by placing your name on the clipboard at the entrance to the church building.

<u>PAST SERMONS</u> If you would like to receive a copy, please write your name on the clipboard provided for this purpose. Sermons are also available on the church website (www.gracelutheran.org.au)

PEST CONTROL Please be aware that the annual pest spray and termite inspection of the church and hall will take place on Wednesday 5th February, commencing at 8:00am. That would be a good day to make plans that don't include going to the church and hall!

<u>HELP NEEDED</u> The mainly music Team is in need of volunteers who can do the "set up" for mainly music on Wednesday afternoons or after work in the Church Hall. There is a photo up of the wall in the Hall that will give you an idea of where to put things. Basically, the job involves moving the tables to the side, placing the chairs in a line, dragging the mats to the area where the tables were and bringing 3 tubs from the back room to the mat area. The set up takes a fit person about 20 minutes.

<u>WORSHIP TEAM</u> Are you creative, full of ideas and would like to be part of our worship team? We meet approx. six times a year to talk about themes for the church year Sunday's. The team also engages in creating the church displays. If you would like to be part of the team or just helping to do handicrafts please talk to Pastor Mark or Elke.

<u>WORLD DAY OF PRAYER</u> is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome all to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. Friday 6th March at St. Mary's Anglican Church, Redcliffe, from 10am. For more information see flyer on notice board or visit www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org

LCAQD DISASTER & DROUGHT RESPONSE To donate by Electronic Funds Transfer: Lutheran Church Queensland Foundation, BSB: 704 942, Account: 100937144. Ref: your surname and either 'NCF' (for fire or drought) or 'disaster' (for floods). If you require a receipt, please email the details of your payment to tara.meyers@qld.lca.org.au. To donate by cheque, write 'NCF' (for fire or drought) or 'disaster' (for floods) on the reverse and post to: Queensland Lutheran Giving, C/O PO Box 1535, Milton Qld 4064, if you require a receipt, please provide your email contact details.

<u>FIRST COMMUNION</u> is celebrated in the Lutheran Church, typically for children in upper primary school. Please speak to Pastor Mark if you are interested in knowing more about receiving Holy Communion before you, or your child, has been confirmed.

<u>MAINLY MUSIC CLONTARF</u> is a music based activity for under school aged children accompanied by a parent. 9:00am Thursdays at Grace Lutheran Church Hall. Please keep the leaders, helpers and all attendees in your prayers.

<u>HALL USE AND HALL HIRE</u> Please direct all Hall use requests to the Church Office to ensure availability. If Hall is booked, please allow reasonable transition time between activities. Thank you.

10 AM BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER WITH PASTOR MARK, First and third Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall. Maine Road Clontarf. Bring a plate to share, but not compulsory!! Tea, coffee and water provided in turn. We usually come early and start 9-9.30 am with cuppa and chat, 10am Bible study and prayer, finishing around 11 am.

<u>MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY</u> Every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7pm in the Church Hall. All welcome.

<u>BLUE CARD APPLICATION FORMS</u> are available in the church foyer. If your card is due to expire, allow yourself sufficient time for renewal. Please bring the filled form into the church office along with the required ID. Photocopies are not acceptable as the ID MUST be sighted by Elke. Forms are also available on our website.

<u>INTRODUCING REG</u> REG stands for Regular Electronic Giving. Details of transactions are kept confidential. The treasurer is only advised of the total amount credited to the account for the month. The details for REG can be found on the LLL website. Our Congregation Account at the LLL is: Redcliffe Grace Lutheran Church, BSB 704942 Account Number 65221

<u>BUILDING FUND</u> Grace Lutheran Church Redcliffe has established a building fund that is used exclusively for future building infrastructure projects. People can contribute to this fund by electronic funds transfer. However, donations do not meet the Australian Tax Office criteria as tax deductible and so cannot be claimed. Our Congregation Account at LLL is: Redcliffe Grace Lutheran Church, BSB 704-942 account number 100961703.

The General Church Council of the Lutheran Church of Australia has approved specific standards of ethical behaviour for the Lutheran Church in both Australia and New Zealand.

These standards are applicable to all aspects of the life of the church. For further information please see the Brochure in the Church Foyer: "LCA Standards of Ethical Behaviour". You may also find out more at www.lca.org.au/lca-standards-of-ethical-behaviour.html and by viewing the following video www.vimeo.com/203404541/72dd00349e The church is a safe place responding to sexual abuse complaints. Copies of the LCA Safe Place are available in the office or visit www.lca.org.au/safe-place--child-safe-2.html to report a complaint, free call 1800 644 628 number, or email: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au or mail LCA Safe Place PO Box 519 Marden SA 5070

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