



GRACE BULLETIN

OUR MISSION: To know Christ and to make Him known

1ST MARCH 2020 - FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

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.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed	4	Mar	5:00pm	Ministry Team Meeting
Fri	6	Mar	10:00am	World Day of Prayer (St Mary's Anglican Church)
Sun	8	Mar	10:30am	Country Drive
Tue	10	Mar	6:30pm	M&V Meeting
Sat	14	Mar		ALWS Walk My Way (Gold Coast)
Thu	19	Mar	2:00pm	Prep Bible Presentation (GLPS)
Wed	25	Mar	5:00pm	Worship Team Meeting (GLC Hall)
Fri	27	Mar	4:00pm	CYFM Meeting (GLC Hall)
Sun	30	Mar	10:30am	Family Picnic (Youth Park, Suttons Beach, Margate)
Wed	1	April	1:30pm	Care Team Meeting (GLC Hall)
Thur	9	April	6:00pm	Maundy Thursday Meal (GLC Hall)
			7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Service

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

Psalms 28:7



Monday	Paul Vitale
	Thomas Cook
Wednesday	Ashley Oliver
Thursday	Yvonne Clunes
	Jo Duncan

Sunday	Graham & Jane Ruffle (special)
Thursday	George & Yvonne Clunes

Happy Anniversary

PRAYER POINTS

As part of His communion with the heavenly Father, Jesus fasted forty days and forty nights in the desert, and His strength came from the Lord. Let us pray for all who hunger in body or soul, that our loving God would satisfy their needs.

In our prayers:

- * thanksgiving to God that He has given us this creation with all its beauty, and in our fallenness and sin He has given His Son as Saviour of the world;
- * all affected by any disaster including those affected by coronavirus; all affected by war and conflict; all affected by drought, fires and floods across Australia (with prayers of thanksgiving for rains received);
- * those in positions of leadership in government and business, that they may resist all temptations to abuse their power;
- * all homes and families, that people would strive to live together in love, and for God's wisdom and blessing and strength on all who experience relationship difficulties or abuse;
- * all who face temptations or trials that seem too great for them, that they may look to the Lord and seek His strength;

- * thanksgiving to God that just as sin came into the world through the one man, so through the one man of Jesus Christ God has brought His redemption into this world;
- * the church on earth that we may be strengthened against the temptation of unbelief; and for God's blessing and strength on all who have undertaken fasting or opportunities for extra service during Lent;
- * the Lutheran Church of Australia, and for Simon Hughes installed today as Principal, Prince of Peace College Everton Hills; and Lutheran Services Council Strategic Planning day 7th March;
- * all who serve overseas including LCA Missions (and the '40 Days, a Lenten prayer guide');
- * local Christian Congregations (including Redcliffe Uniting Church & The Salvation Army) and ministries (including R.I. Instruction in Public Schools, as also Movie Night on 14th March as fundraiser for R.I.);

- * thanksgiving to God that as the Spirit led Jesus into the desert, so the Spirit guides and leads us in life;
- * our 'Community of Grace' including God's guiding on various meetings this week, and also the Country Drive on 8th March;
- * all preparing for Baptism, First Communion or Marriage;
- * all who rejoice in birthdays, baptism anniversaries, wedding anniversaries;
- * the sick, the housebound, all in hospital, and all recovering from surgery;

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.

COUNTRY DRIVE Sunday 8th March, weather dependent. Another great opportunity to have fun and fellowship. Bring your lunch, drinks and chair. Meeting point 10:30am, Grace Lutheran Church carpark. The drive is destined to be finished in time to attend the evening service. For further info call Desley on 0408 738 298.

TERMITE TREATMENT Following on from the pest spraying completed recently, the termite treatment around the church and hall will take place on Tuesday 10th March 2020, starting at 8:00am. This treatment is completed every 3 to 4 years. Please be aware of the date and plan not to visit the church and hall during that day. The premises will be safe to visit later in the afternoon.

DISTRICT SYNOD District synod 2020 is on the weekend 5-7 June in Toowoomba. Anyone interested in being a delegate please contact Paul Vitale on 3204 0757 or email paul_vitale@glc.qld.edu.au.

LAY READER TRAINING There will be a Lay Readers Training session after worship on 15th March. Anyone interested in being a Lay Reader should attend.

FIRST COMMUNION 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.

LENTEN APPEAL 2020 The season of Lent is a time to fix our eyes on the cross of Jesus, who lived on earth as the ultimate revelation of God's love and mercy. By donating to Lutheran Services' Lenten Appeal 2020 (lutheranservices.org.au/donate), you can respond to God's love and provision for you by assisting others in need. Lutheran Services exists to serve, engaging 2000 Queenslanders with God's love in everyday life. The theme of this year's appeal is 'Life in Abundance'. The Appeal runs from Ash Wednesday February 26th to Easter Sunday April 12th, with payments received to the end of the financial year.

COMBINED CHURCHES MOVIE FUNDRAISER FOR RI March 14th at 6pm. Venue: Clontarf Beach Baptist Church, 6 Alice Street. Admission \$10. Supper will be served after the movie, bring a plate to share.

AMPLIFY CONFERENCE Growing Young Together—Join with 1000+ like-minded people to benefit from keynote speakers, more than 100 electives to choose from along with separate keynote speakers across each category in Children & Families, Youth and RI in schools. Saturday 7th March at Mueller College, Rothwell. Flyers available in the Narthex.

YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE LYQ's Young Adult Conference is an opportunity to experience rich community, be inspired for the year ahead, and together encounter the life-changing call of Jesus to follow him. From 16-19 April at Luther Heights Youth Camp, age 18 - 30 years. Register at www.lyq.org.au/yaconf. Flyers are available in the Narthex. Subsidy can also be offered.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 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

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

HALL USE AND HALL HIRE 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.

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

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

INTRODUCING REG 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

BUILDING FUND 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.

BCC NOTICE 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.

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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GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday & Thursday 8am to 2pm Friday 9am to 12pm