



WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
CHRIST CHURCH ST LAURENCE
RAILWAY SQUARE, SYDNEY

29 JANUARY 2017

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

7.00am Morning Prayer

7.30am Eucharist

**9.00am Sung Eucharist, Commissioning of
Melinda Seed & Francesca Jones & the
Blessing of the Backpacks**

Preacher: Fr Daniel Dries

Setting: Eucharist (Dudman)

Hymns: 234(ii) 362 95 341

10.30am Solemn High Mass

Preacher: Fr Daniel Dries

Setting: Missa Brevis (Gabrieli)

Hymns: 95(desc. Jewkes) 341 362

Motet: Give ear unto me (arr. Iliff)

Postlude: *Offertoire* from *Messe des Paroisses* (Couperin)

**6.30pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction
First Evensong of Charles, King of England
(d.1649)**

Canticles Service in G (Sumsion)

Hymns: 247 226

Anthem: *O Jesu Christ, meins Lebens Licht* (Bach)

Postlude: Andante from Sonata for Organ (Harwood)

Left: The Lectern, northern side of the Chancel, Christ Church St Laurence

MORNING PEWSHEET

PLEASE TAKE HOME

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH ST LAURENCE

Christ Church St Laurence is an inner city parish committed to the spread of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. As a congregation and as the Church we are committed to the support of the underprivileged, the persecuted and the socially marginalised. We are an Anglican church in the Anglican Catholic tradition.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH ST LAURENCE



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| MON 30 JANUARY Charles, King of England (d.1649) | Daily Services (7.30am, 8.00am, 5.30pm) |
| TUE 31 JANUARY | Daily Services (7.30am, 8.00am, 5.30pm) |
| WED 1 FEBRUARY | Daily Services (7.30am, 8.00am, 5.30pm) 12.15pm Healing Eucharist |
| THU 2 FEBRUARY The Presentation of Christ in the Temple | Daily Services (7.30am, 8.00am, 5.30pm) 6.00pm Procession & Solemn High Mass Preacher: Fr Michael Bowie |
| FRI 3 FEBRUARY | Daily Services (7.30am, 8.00am, 5.30pm) 6.00pm Eucharist |
| SAT 4 FEBRUARY Anskar, missionary bishop in Sweden (d.865) | Daily Services (7.30am, 8.00am, 5.30pm) |
| SUN 5 FEBRUARY Fifth Sunday after Epiphany | <i>Isa 58.1-12, Ps 112, 1 Cor 2.1-16, Mt 5.13-20</i> 7.00am Morning Prayer 7.30am Eucharist 9.00am Sung Eucharist & Children's Ministry Preacher: Fr John Sanderson Setting: Eucharist (Dudman) 10.30am Solemn High Mass Preacher: Fr John Sanderson 6.30pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction Preacher: Fr Ron Henderson |

Readings: *The Revised Common Lectionary in NRSV* (1997), Mowbray, London. Introit, Collect and Psalm: *A Prayer Book for Australia* (1995), Broughton Books, Sydney. Propers: *The Roman Missal* (1969 & 1983), E.J.Dwyer (Aust.). *Reproduced with permission.*

MASS READINGS



Please use these readings in conjunction with the coloured service booklet. Breakfast is served after the 7.30am Eucharist today. Refreshments are served after the 9.00am Sung Eucharist and the 10.30am Solemn High Mass, all in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. If you are a visitor please ask a sidesperson for directions.

SENTENCE

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

COLLECT

Living God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. 'O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.' 'With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with

MICAH 6.8

calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?' He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

For the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

Verses of the psalm are read alternately by a single reader and the congregation. A pause is observed at the colon for reflection. At Solemn High Mass, the choir sings the psalm.

MICAH 6.1-8

PSALM 15

1. Lord, who may abide in your tabernacle:
or who may dwell upon your holy hill?
2. **Whoever leads an uncorrupt life and does the thing which is right: who speaks the truth from the heart, and has not slandered with the tongue;**
3. Who has done no evil to a friend:
nor vented abuse against a neighbour;
4. **In whose eyes the worthless have no honour:
but who makes much of those that fear the Lord;**
5. Whoever has sworn to a neighbour:
and will not go back on that oath;

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6. **Who has not put money to usury:
nor taken a bribe against the innocent.** that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts,
boast in the Lord.'
7. **Whoever does these things:
shall never be overthrown.** For the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 1.18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad. Your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5.1-12

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

This is the gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

MASS READINGS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

How good to give thanks to the Lord: to sing praises to your Name, O Most High.

COMMUNION MOTET

Give ear unto me
Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)
arr. David Iliff

COMMUNION SENTENCE

Let your face shine upon your servant and save me by your love. Lord, keep me from shame, for I have called to you.

Give ear unto me, Lord, I beseech Thee, for I have walked in Thy commandments, Let me be judged with righteous judgment, O let my sentence, come from from Thy presence.

THE COMMISSIONING OF MELINDA SEED AS YOUTH MINISTRY LEADER AND FRANCESCA JONES AS OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS CO-ORDINATOR (9.00AM)

The People stand (following the Confession and Absolution).

Melinda and Francesca stand at the Chancel Step before the Rector, who says

We come now to the commissioning of Melinda Seed as Youth Ministry Leader and Francesca Jones as Outreach and Communications Co-ordinator. Melinda and Francesca, you have been called to serve within this Parish of Christ Church St Laurence. You have been called to share in ministry with God's people in this place. You have been called to assist in the building up of God's Kingdom, particularly in Youth Ministry and Outreach.

Melinda, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility? (I do)

Francesca, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility? (I do)

The Rector says to the congregation

Will you who witness this new beginning support and uphold Melinda and Francesca in this new ministry?

All answer

We will, with God's help.

The Rector says

Let us then offer our prayer to God for this Parish and for Melinda and Francesca. Ever living God, we praise you for your church throughout the world and in this place. In your great love, continue to bless it. Grant that together we may follow Jesus Christ, offering to you all our gifts and talents; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we pray that you will strengthen and sustain your servants Melinda and Francesca; continue to guide them in their work; open their hearts and minds to discern your will. Melinda and Francesca, may the blessing of God almighty the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Rector says to the congregation

I present to you Melinda, now commissioned as Youth Ministry Leader and Francesca Jones as Outreach and Communications Co-ordinator.

The people welcome Melinda and Francesca with applause.

SUNDAY NOTICES

Blessing of the Backpacks

This Sunday 29 January, to mark the beginning of the new academic year, students, teachers, and anyone involved in education is invited to bring a backpack or symbol of study to be blessed after 9am Mass. We also invite all parishioners to contribute new plain lunch boxes or water bottles, or new plain dark coloured backpacks. These will be blessed and then donated to the Asylum Seekers Resource Centre, Newtown. During the Blessing of the Backpacks service Melinda Seed & Francesca Jones will be commissioned for their new roles in the parish ministry team.

Clergy Leave

The Rector will be in Melbourne from Saturday 4th February to Monday 6th February. Fr Daniel is delivering the Annual Philip Harris Memorial Lecture at Christ Church, Brunswick (where Bishop Lindsay Urwin OGS is now the Vicar). Fr Ron and Chantal will be on leave from 27 January until 12 February. We thank Fr Ron Henderson OGS for his assistance while the parish clergy are away.

Parking

We are all aware that parking in the inner-city is very difficult. CCSL has very limited parking for those who are on site on official church business. As a general rule, this parking is reserved for clergy and contractors. Parking authority notices are now being issued by the parish office. Parishioners who have reason to park occasionally at the church are asked to contact the office to request an authorisation notice. This notice must be displayed on the car dashboard. Please be aware that these are only to be used on weekdays when parishioners are here on church business (such as verging, flower arranging, brass cleaning, or assisting in the office). Please also be aware that parking on the rectory side of the tower is only to be used as a last resort.

Charles, King of England

This Sunday 29 January, following Solemn Evensong, Professor David Flint AM will give a lecture entitled "From a Corruptible to An Incorruptible Crown: The Martyrdom of King Charles I". This lecture, which will be given in the Parish Hall, will take place on the eve of the Feast of Charles, King of England (d. 1649). Please invite family and friends

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to join us for what will be a fascinating and informative lecture. Wine and cheese will be provided.

Chinese Bible Study

Commencing on Friday 3 February, we will begin a Chinese Bible Study in the Parish Hall. This study group, which is a very exciting step in the development of multicultural ministry at CCSL, will be held on Friday evenings over a six week period. To register your interest, or to find out more information, please contact the Parish Office.

Safe Ministry and Child Protection

The Diocese has in place a Safe Ministry programme for dealing with issues of child protection and sexual misconduct. The Parish Council has formally adopted the Diocese's policy in this area.

Under the overall direction of the Rector, the parish has a Safe Ministry representative, Anthony Miller, charged with ensuring that we comply with the policy, and a Safe Ministry trainer, Lucy Clothier, who gives training in the principles and practices of Safe Ministry to a range of parishioners who come into contact with children or vulnerable people.

Comprehensive information about the programme, and about how to report actual or potential abuse, can be found at the following web address:

<http://safeministry.org.au/about/>

2017 Parish Retreat Weekend

We are delighted to announce that the Rev'd Catherine Eaton will be leading us on retreat from Friday 6 - Sunday 8 October 2017. The setting for the retreat will be the beautiful lakeside setting of St Joseph's Conference Centre, Kincumber (on the Central Coast). Mthr Catherine has recently served as Canon-in-Residence at St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn, but spent most of her ordained ministry in the Diocese of Melbourne. Having retired to the Southern Highlands, Mthr Catherine has become involved in the Community of St Gabriel, our congregation in the Highlands. As places at the retreat will be limited, please mark these dates in your diary now, and please speak to Ann Bergman or Fr Daniel if you would like more information.

St Laurence House - Save the Date

A big event fund raiser for St Laurence House will be held on Thursday 23 February 2017, 6.30pm - 9.30pm, at St Paul's College, Sydney University. Join us for an evening in discussion with Geraldine Doogue, ABC broadcaster and presenter. Music, drinks and canapés will be provided, and an auction will be held of black and white photos by residents of St Laurence House. Free on-site parking. Early bird tickets \$80 (purchased by 1 February) and \$90 thereafter. Buy tickets at www.stlaurencehouse.org.au or follow the link to www.trybooking.com/book/sessions



Charles, King of England

"From a Corruptible to An Incorruptible Crown: The Martyrdom of King Charles I"
 A Lecture from Professor David Flint AM, 29 January, following Solemn Evensong

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

THURSDAY 2 FEBRUARY

7.30AM Morning Prayer
 8.00AM Eucharist
 5.30PM Evening Prayer
 6.00PM Procession & Solemn High Mass



CHINESE BIBLE STUDY Fridays at 7.30pm, from 3 February 2017
 Please contact office@csl.org.au for further details

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