

# CONNECTIONS

## CHRIST THE KING 20 November 2022



St Mark's  
Anglican Church  
South Hurstville

<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Choral Eucharist (in church &amp; online)</b>		
<b>Presider</b>	Rev Peter Greenwood	<b>Preacher</b> Dr Douglas Golding	
<b>Assistant</b>	Alan Little	<b>Gospel</b>	Assistant
<b>Readers</b>	Bruce Cooke Cathie Robilliard	<b>Intercessor</b>	Bill Clarke
		<b>Setting</b>	Addington
<b>Introit</b>	Not I but Christ		
<b>Hymns</b>	216; 201; 256; 620.		
<b>Anthem</b>	In Christ Alone <i>Getty, Townend, Craig, Koch</i>		
<b>Postlude</b>	Overture from Fireworks Music <i>Handel</i>		
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Family Church @ 10 (in church &amp; online)</b>		
<b>Leader</b>	Rev Peter Greenwood	<b>Readers</b>	Angus Martin
<b>Preacher</b>	Greg Bondar	<b>Prayers</b>	Rev Peter Greenwood
<b>Songs</b>	Because He Lives; Put a new song in my heart; Crown Him with many Crowns; How Wonderful, How Marvellous.		
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Sunday Club (start in church)</b>		

### Rector's Reflection (excerpt from Report for Parish Council)

Marshall Goldsmith, an American executive leadership coach, university professor and founder of "360-degree feedback" once said, "The last thing I say on most phone calls is not, 'Goodbye,' but, 'Thank you.'" It is fitting that the most Christian of farewells give thanks to God and to give thanks to God for each other. In the vertical dimension, we thank God as our creator, sustainer and redeemer. Without God, without Jesus, without the Holy Spirit, we are incapable of worshipping God as we ought. As we sing in our communion liturgy, "it is right to give him thanks and praise". But we also thank God for each other. Not that it is inappropriate to directly thank another Christian, but we thank God for each other because God has given each member of the church, with their own character, their own heart, will, desire and abilities for the purpose of building up the church. The greatest compliment that we can pay to each other is not, "You're awesome, wonderfully magnificent" but "I give glory to God because of you."

It is appropriate, therefore, in this final report to start with thanksgiving. I thank God for the members of St Mark's, the relationships that we've built over our time here, for the opportunity to preach the good news of Jesus both from the pulpit and in the community. God has brought us through some extremely difficult times (from pandemics to politics, from personal hurt to grieving the faithfully departed). But there

has also been wonderful times of joy and hope. Families filling the church for our community carols, the breathtaking Handel's messiah, the profound statements of the cross, the triumphant music reflecting Jesus' triumph over the grave. In the midst of the highs and the lows, the trials and the tribulations, God has been faithful, Jesus has been victorious and we have grown more and more into the likeness of Christ. So rather than farewell, I thank God for you all.

## NEWS & EVENTS

### Snippets from the archives

During hot days in October, older pre-school children at St. Mark's pre-school, were able to have mud play. Gardening trowels were used by the children to build bridges, dams and to make a river. This provided an important sensory experience.

(Messenger 1970) *(Remember when past Octobers were hotter before global warming !!)*

### Parish Council Meeting – Report from 16<sup>th</sup>. November

- Has allocated our mission-giving according mission-giving policy – Internationally towards C.M.S (supporting Pedro & Joy Oliveira Woolmer and Simon & Jessica Cowell), nationally to A.B.M (supporting Nungalinya College), and locally to Generate Ministries (supporting Scripture teaching in Blakehurst High School).

- Asks for help with gardening. If you're able to assist with the mowing and gardening. Please speak to Jill Brown.

- Project 44 contributions have now reached \$26,766. This project will finish at the end of this year. If you're able to help us reach this goal, we would greatly appreciate it.

- Total Offertories (end October) -Actual: \$99,928 Budgeted: \$104,693 Deficit: \$4765.

### Student Ministers' farewell

Next Sunday we give thanks and pray for God's blessing for the Student Ministers and their families in the next season of their ministry, following two years at St Mark's.

### The Christmas Bowl

St Mark's has traditionally supported the National Churches of Australia Christmas Bowl each Advent/Christmas – today we dedicate the bowl at the 8am Eucharist. Please use the envelopes to support practical ways that Australian Christians can help others in various countries coping with one of the toughest years in recent memory.



### Toys 'n' Tucker



**A BIG THANK YOU** to those who collected toys and non-perishable food at IGA last weekend. We were able to fill 40 boxes which Anglicare will collect next week. The last day for Parishioner donations in the Church Foyer is NEXT Sunday – thank you everyone.

### Morning Prayer – reflections on “What people believe”

On Wednesday 23 November at 10am, Doug Golding will continue the series of five reflections on “What people believe, which may help us better relate to people of

another faith". Conversation always needs to precede conversion, and we can more easily speak about our faith and invite people to our services if we know something of their religious tradition. The reflections are based on Doug's past academic work in the field of comparative religion. Morning tea follows.

## **General Parish Meeting – 13 November**

At this meeting Ann Chapman and Cathie Robilliard were duly elected to fill the two vacancies of Parish Nominators. We wish them well in this vital role.

## **Greenwood's Farewell**

Peter and Rachel Greenwood's final Sunday at St Mark's before taking leave and then moving to St Nicholas Coogee is 4 December 2022. The plans for the day are:

- 8am Choral Valedictory Eucharist
- Noon Parish luncheon in St Mark's Hall
- 10am Farewell Family Worship @ 10

The luncheon will be coordinated by Jill Brown and Marilyn Melhuish. In order to defray costs, a donation of \$10 per adult (children free) would be appreciated – please bring cash on the day. For catering purposes, please indicate who is attending from your household on the sheet in the foyer.

## **SERMON THEME – CHRIST THE KING!**

Unseen but ever-present

Calls for our;

LOYALTY      OBEDIENCE      PROCLAMATION

## **PRAYERS**

### **PRAYERS FOR CHILDREN'S FRIENDSHIPS**

Prayers for children and teens as they navigate friendships.

Many Bible verses remind us, relationships truly are a gift. Take a moment to pray for your child to know the support of great friends around them.

*Prayer: Father God, I thank you that you made us to be in relationship with others. I pray for my child to know great care and support from those around them. May they be encouraged by friends at school, college or university. May they show your love and care to their friendship circle. Amen*

### **South Western Region Prayer Diary 2021/22**

#### **PENSHURST**

Rector: Rev Phillip and Colette Read, Canon Rev David Wong (AM), Grace Fung.

Praise: • For the start of a new Playtime.

- For several people who have recently given their life to Christ.
- For the work God is doing in people's spiritual lives.

Prayer: • For a new Mandarin Pastor. • For a Children's and Youth Pastor.

- For wisdom as we develop our 3 year plan.

### **Concerns of the Church**

*Those in need* **Short Term Need:** Family of Beth Bush; Sylvia Fenton; Kerrie Walters; John Bennett; Those affected by flooding; Those in Mary Andrews Village affected by COVID; People of Ukraine.

**Long Term Need:** Nina Barrett; Annette Collier; Gloria Dakin; Fay Dempsey; John Francis; Adrienne Girdlestone; Judith Hague; Bill Hayes; Carrie Leo; Elsie Moore; Margaret Nightingale; Kim Roser; Eddie Williams.

***Life and witness***

Holy men and women: **Prayers for the ordained ministry of the Church; Clement of Rome (d. c. 100);** bishop and martyr; **James Noble (d. 1941);** first Indigenous Australian ordained.

**Remembering** those who saw active service: Cpl **Edward Ferguson; Gunner William Buick. Flowers This Week: Remembering her Parents, Thelma & Allen Goymour & her Husband, Rob on their Anniversary** – from Helen Taylor.

**ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

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**Regular offerings to St Mark's ministry...**

... may be made via envelopes OR by regular on-line bank transfers (EFT) to:

BSB 062-253; Account No 00902175. Description: 'Offering8am' or 'Offering10am' or 'FlowersName'.

**THIS WEEK AT ST MARK'S**

Mon 21/11	9.00am	Home Communion	Bruce Cooke
Tue 22/11	7.30pm	Choir rehearsal	Deborah Mulcair
Wed 23/11	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Bruce Cooke
Thu 24/11	Recess	St Mark's Art – St Mark's Hall	Alan Little
Sun 27/11	8:00am	First Sunday of Advent	Check Members' page
	10.00am	Family Church @ 10	Check Members' page

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