

Anglican Parish of Queenscliff- Point Lonsdale
Sunday 10.00am Holy Communion at
St George's Queenscliff
Morning Prayer Wednesday 10.30am St George's Queenscliff
The Presentation of Christ in the Temple 2nd February 2025



Sharing in ministry together

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THIS WEEK IN A NUTSHELL

MONDAY 3rd February	Mthr Jo on leave
TUESDAY 4th	
WEDNESDAY 5th	10.30am Morning Prayer St George's
THURSDAY 6th	
FRIDAY 7th	
SATURDAY 8th February	
SUNDAY 9th	10.00am Holy Communion St George's Queenscliff Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Prayer of the week: O Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are worth nothing: send you Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you; grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

This week's readings The Presentation of Christ in the Temple Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 24 (page 244 in the Prayer Book); Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

(All readings are taken from The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible)

Next week's readings: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany – Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

Hymns

Introit - Christ whose glory fills the skies AHB 140, TIS 212 tune RATISBON

Offertory - Let all mortal flesh keep silence AHB 418, TIS 497 tune PICARDY

Post Communion - Rejoice the Lord is King AHB 147, TIS 216 tune DARWALL

Readings for this week:

Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight —indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³ he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Psalm 24 (page 244 in the Prayer Book)

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it:

The compass of the world and those who dwell therein.

For he has founded it upon the seas:

And established it upon the waters.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord:

Or who shall stand in his holy place?

Those who have clean hands and a pure heart:

Who have not set their soul upon idols, nor sworn their oath to a lie.

They shall receive blessing from the Lord:

And recompense from the God of their salvation.

Of such a kind as this are those who seek him:

Those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you everlasting doors:

And the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory?:

Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you everlasting doors:

And the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory?:

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Hebrews 2:14-18

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶ For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Luke 2:22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴ and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him.

²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

²⁹ 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;

³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹ which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.'

³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵ so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸ At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹ When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.



WHAT'S ON ...

Mthr Jo on leave from 3rd February until 17th February.

Do you need a lift to church? Each week there are parishioners who would like to attend church but need a lift to join us on Sunday mornings. There are also many other parishioners who are happy to pick up a fellow parishioner on their way to church each Sunday. If you fall into either of these camps, please contact Sally [0427651038] so we can help you join us for worship.

Parish Prayer List – If you would like prayer for yourself or another who have given their permission and would appreciate prayer as part of our time of worship, please direct your prayer request to Mthr Jo 0458 523 754 or vicar@queenscliffionsdaleanglican.org



GROWTH PRAYER – God of mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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MORNING PRAYER on Zoom

Monday – Saturday 9.15am www.us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SIJCRE5WNXRZZUxRa0dHVk1vL2w3dz09

EVENING PRAYER Zoom

Monday – Saturday 5.00pm www.us02web.zoom.us/j/87628164461?pwd=cEF6K1E1Yjh6TEFKa25laG4vUddMQT09

MEDITATION on Zoom

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8.30am – 9.00am www.us02web.zoom.us/j/81733909876?pwd=WHI4QVNENHRJVFZyWXNLSFJ5cjdrdz09