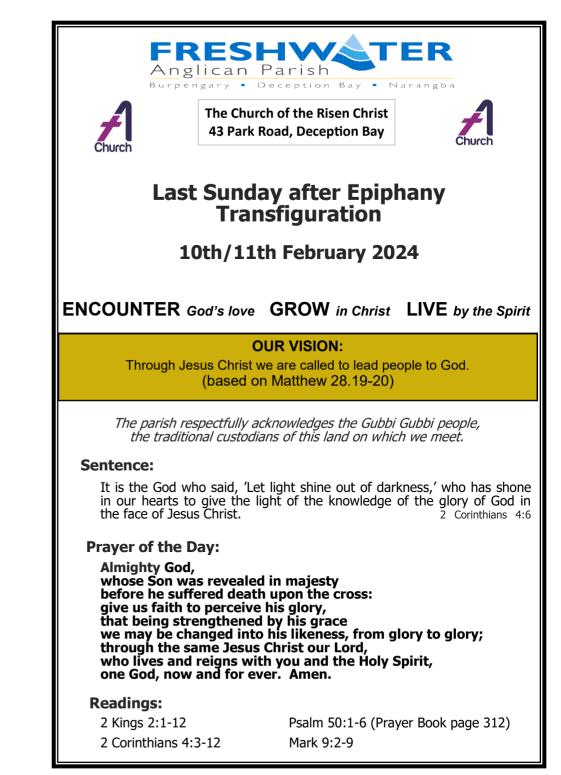
	SERVIC	ES NEXT WEE	KEND				
17ti	n/18th Feb	∼ First Sunday in	Lent (violet)				
Saturday	5:00pm Holy Communion - Traditional						
Sunday	8:30am 12noon 4:00pm	12noon Young Adults D & D					
READINGSGenesis 9:8-17Psalm 25:1-10 (Prayer Book page 244)1 Peter 3:18-22Mark 1:9-15							
ROSTERS	THI	S WEEKEND	NEXT WEEKEND				
LA:	Р	<u>5:00pm</u> rday 10th Feb aula Rogers ladia Kubert	<u>5:00pm</u> <u>Saturday 17th Feb</u> Nadia Kubert				
Readers:		oara Johnstone .eona White	Anne Bottomley Robert Daly				
Intercessions:	Ma	ureen Turner	Liz Holyer				
	<u>Sun</u>	<u>8:30am</u> day 11th Feb	<u>8:30am</u> Sunday 18th Feb				
LA:	Tr	evor Andrew	Janice Suddick				
Readers:	Sł Ri	nelly Coulson ae Middleton	Rose McIntosh Wayne Price				
Intercessions:		Troy Juides	Jeff Ritchie				
Counters:		Diana Ferrari Carolyn Buck	Jenny Ritchie Fran Spring				
Sunday KEEPING IN TOUCH ON LINE 8:30am Holy Communion live streamed on Facebook go to freshwateranglican.com then to 'Join us for worship on Sunday' and click							
PEW BULLETIN MATERIAL DEADLINE WEDNESDAY 12 NOON Email material to freshwater@anglicanchurchsq.org.au OR family.frisco@gmail.com							





Sunday 11th February

Psalm 8; John 8:12-19 (20-27) 28-30 The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; The Diocese of Gippsland; Roslyn Lodge Pastoral Visitation Program, Mt Tamborine; St Hilda's School, Southport; The Parish of CampHill-Norman Park - *Peter Moore - Locum*

Monday 12th February

Pss 99, 100; Jeremiah 22:1-19; Jude 1-16 The Diocese of North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba - The Church in the Province of the West Indies; The Diocese of Grafton; Emergency Relief Programs; St Luke's Anglican School, Bundaberg; The Parish of Carindale - *Nicole Anderson, John Magee, Ron Paschke*

Tuesday 13th February

Pss 101, 102:1-11; Jéremiah 22:20-23:8; Jude 17-25 The Diocese of Carlisle - The Church of England; Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia; Anglican Education and Care Services; St John's Anglican College, Forest Lake; The Parish of Centenary Suburbs - *Elizabeth Donald-McConnell, Tom Wood, Bill Redman, Graham Oates*

Ash Wednesday 14th February

Ps 38:1-4, 18-21; Daniel 9:3-6, 15-19; Matthew 6:7-15

The Diocese of East Carolina - The Episcopal Church; Ministry with the Torres Strait Island People of Australia; Churchwardens, Parish Councillors, Parish Nominators and Synod Representatives; St Margaret's Anglican Girls School, Ascot; The Parish of Chelmer-Graceville - *Nic Denny-Dimitriou, Simon Kim, Owen Strong, Robert Sutherland*

Thursday 15th February

Ps 104:1-25 *or* Ps 39; Jeremiah 23:9-22; Hebrews 1:1-12 The Diocese of North Carolina - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Melbourne; Liturgical Assistants in parishes and schools; St Paul's School, Bald Hills; The Parish of Charleville

Friday 16th February

Ps 105:1-22 *or* Ps 69; Jeremiah 23:23-40; Hebrews 1:13-2:9 The Diocese of South Carolina - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Newcastle; Home Carers; The Glennie School, Toowoomba; The Parish of Chermside - *Daniel Jayaraj, Linda McWilliam, Gay Nye, Canon Don Edwards*

Saturday 17th February

Ps 106:1-24 *or* Ps 88; Jeremiah 24; Hebrews 2:10-18 The Diocese of Upper South Carolina - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of the Northern Territory; Sudanese & South Sudanese Congregations in Anglican Church Southern Qld (ACSQ); The Southport SChool, Southport; The Parish of Chinchilla - *Vacant*

PARISH LEADERS & COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Parish Priest :	Rev'd. Claye Middleton				
Priest's Warden:	Bob Forrester 0409 317 279				
People's Warden	ns: Carolyn Buck 0410 621 650 Paula Rogers 0409 611 690				
Treasurer:	Roland Seeger 0488 025 575				
Councilors:	Wayne Price, Fran Spring, Shelly Coulson, Diana Ferrari, Brian Hine, Nikita Deadman Anne Teale, Janice Suddick				
Synod Reps:	Eli Best, Melissa Maddox				
Nominators:	Bob Forrester, Carolyn Buck, Jeff Ritchie				
Office:	Tuesday - Friday 9am - 1:00pm				
Parish Office: Phone: Postal: Email: Website: Administration:	43 Park Road, Deception Bay 3203 2440 PO Box 522, Deception Bay Qld 4508 <i>freshwater@anglicanchurchsq.org.au</i> www.freshwateranglican.com Tuesday - Friday 9am - 1pm Appointments only. No walk ins.				

Claye is contactable by phone outside of those hours, but he is unavailable on Mondays so please contact one of the wardens (numbers as listed above) if urgent assistance is required on that day.



<u>Emergency Relief Pantry</u> Contact Carolyn Buck in person or on Mb 0410 621 650

Prayer Chain. Please contact Barbara Johnstone on 3888 4547 or Kris Frith 3092 2185 for your immediate and emergency prayer needs to be directed along the chain. For all other prayer needs please contact the church office.



MU meets on fourth Thursday (9:30am) of each month (except December) at Deception Bay. Please contact Carole Mullan on 0408 992 837 for further information.



Music Group Contact Brian Hine on 0404 802 754 if you would like to get involved in the music for any of our services

LENT IS ALMOST HERE!!!

It's hard to believe, but Lent begins this Wednesday. Some people really look forward to this season and others dread it. Some don't love the subdued season of Lent and others love it.

Lent can be a joyful time. Shocking? It shouldn't be, for it is a time to prepare with joy for the Paschal or Easter Feast.

How can this be? Lent is a time to turn back towards God's ways, to repent. Lent is a time to grow closer to Jesus. Lent is a time to live the life that God intends for us. What could be more joyful than that?

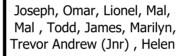
In its wisdom, the Church suggests several ways to use the season of Lent for our own good. We are encouraged to practice fasting and self-denial, to realise that our health and happiness doesn't come from things, but only from God's grace and mercy. We are urged to spend time in prayer, in studying the scriptures, and in sharing our financial resources.

Be encouraged to take advantage of the opportunities our parish offers. It is good to spend this time in the company of others.

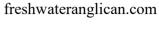
Lent is also an opportunity to become more in our lives. How will you savour this season, this time to return to the Lord?



Please pray for:



These names will only remain for the calendar month unless a request to continue is received.







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Keep up to date with sermons, reflections, events, and much more on our website and socials.



"Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them." (Mark 9.2a)

"Heaven's nearness"

I love green. I'm of Irish descent, so it's in my blood. 'Verdant' perfectly describes green. A palpable lifeforce. It invites me to a place so near to God I can hear his footsteps as we walk side by side through Eden's radiance.

Ireland's early Christians, and specifically their 'Green Martyrs', felt this nearness. They termed it a 'thin place'. Called to live in solitude high on hill tops, the would-be Green Martyrs devoted themselves to a monastic closeness to God. Through ceaseless prayer and worship, there they created a thin place. This was a place of listening, intimacy and revelation where the veil between heaven and earth thinned and God's presence was palpable.

Peter, James and John experienced what we would have to call the thinnest place. High on a mountain before Jesus they stood and watched as he was transfigured. Shining whiter than white, Jesus, who John would later write is the light of the world, radiated the dazzling brilliance of God's heavenly glory. Heaven and earth met and in the thinness of this scene, God the Father himself came so near as to be heard: "This is my Son...Listen to him!"

On a hilltop, walking through nature, or simply sitting in a chair, anywhere, we too can experience heaven's nearness. We have only to seek solitude with Jesus in prayer. Our thin place is inside us. Here heaven and earth meet. Here we listen to the sound of God's voice in our hearts inviting us into the brilliance of his radiant glory.

Tracey Gummow Parish of Drayton



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SUN	MON	TUE	ASHWED	THUR	FRI	SAT
11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb	14 Feb	15 Feb	16 Feb	17 Feb
8:30am Contemporary Eucharist <u>2:00pm</u> Cursillo Grouping	Claye RDO	10:00am Lenten Bible Study <u>10:15am</u> Burpengary Manor Aged Care	9am-1pm Freshwater Cafe 9am-2pm Op Shop 9:30am Eucharist 10:30am North Lakes Terrace	9:30am Palm Lake Care <u>12noon</u> Meditation		
<u>6:00pm</u> The Gathering		<u>6:00pm</u> Pancake Dinner	Care Community <u>7:00pm</u> Eucharist	<u>7:00pm</u> Lenten Bible Study		<u>5:00pm</u> Traditional Eucharist
18 Feb	19 Feb	20 Feb	21 Feb	22 Feb	23 Feb	24 Feb
8:30am Contemporary Eucharist + Planning Meeting 12noon Young Adult D & D 4:00pm Theo Café	Claye RDO	10:00am Lenten Bible Study	9am-1pm Freshwater Community Cafe 9am-2pm Op Shop <u>1:00pm</u> AMS mtg <u>7:00pm</u> Parish Council	9:30am MU <u>2:00pm</u> Meditation <u>7:00pm</u> Lenten Bible Study		<u>5:00pm</u> Traditional Eucharist
25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb	29 Feb	01 Mar	02 Mar
8:30am Contemporary Eucharist Parish AGM <u>2:00pm</u> Cursillo Grouping	Claye RDO	<u>10:00am</u> Lenten Bible Study	<u>9am-1pm</u> Freshwater community cafe <u>9am-2pm</u> Op Shop	<u>12noon</u> Meditation		
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SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER

This will be held on Tuesday, 13th February at 6:00pm in the under-cover area. Please Come! We ask you to bring along a sweet or savoury filling to share with others. Pancakes and crepes will be supplied.



ASH WEDNESDAY

The First Day of Lent 14 February 9:30am & 7:00pm Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes

2024 PARISH PLANNING MEETING

Sunday, 18th February following the 8:30am service

An open invitation to all parishioners to submit ideas and/or dates to be considered for our 2024 Parish Calendar of Events

PARISH A. G.M.

Sunday, 25 February, 2024 following the 8:30am service and morning tea

Nomination Forms for the election of Office Bearers and Parish Councillors are available in the foyer.

Completed Forms to be returned no later than Friday, 16th February, 2024

TOUR OF ST. JOHN"S ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL & PRECINCT WITH THE DEAN

10:30am Wednesday, 3rd April, 2024

A maximum of 15 people can join this tour. If you are interested, please add your name and details to the list in the foyer.