

# ***St Simon's Anglican Church***

***Kaleen/Giralang/Lawson***

*For God and for Others*



**Christ the King**

**20 November 2016**



***A very special welcome*** to everyone visiting today. We are glad you have joined us to worship the Lord. We feel privileged to have you with us as we celebrate God's love for us. We welcome all people of other

Christian denominations to receive communion in our celebration of the Lord's Supper. We hope you enjoy your time with us and invite you to join us again soon. Please stay for a cuppa after the service, and fill in our Visitors' Book.

## **OUR SERVICE TODAY**

9.00am – Holy Communion, 1<sup>st</sup> Order  
beginning on page 101 of the Prayer Book  
or following the screen

## **CELEBRANT AND PREACHER**

The Venerable Emeritus Peter Dillon

**SENTENCE** – Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
***Zechariah 9.9***

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** – Eternal God, you exalted Jesus Christ to rule over all things, and have made us instruments of his kingdom: by your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, and to minister to all in need, then at the last bring us to your eternal realm where we may be welcomed into your everlasting joy and may worship and adore you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**FIRST READING –Jeremiah 23:1-6** <sup>1</sup> Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. <sup>2</sup> Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. <sup>3</sup> Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup> I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. <sup>5</sup> The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup> In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

May your Word live in us

**and bear much fruit to your glory**

## **PSALM 46**

1. God is our refuge and strength:  
a very present help in trouble.
2. Therefore we will not fear,  
though the earth be moved:  
and though the mountains are shaken  
in the midst of the sea;
3. Though the waters rage and foam:  
and though the mountains quake  
at the rising of the sea.
4. There is a river whose streams  
make glad the city of God:  
the holy dwelling-place  
of the Most High.
5. God is in the midst of her,  
therefore she shall not be moved:  
God will help her, and at break of day.
6. The nations make uproar,  
and the kingdoms are shaken:  
but God has lifted his voice,  
and the earth shall tremble.
7. The Lord of hosts is with us:  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
8. Come then and see what the Lord  
has done:  
what destruction he has brought  
upon the earth.
9. He makes wars to cease in all  
the world:  
he breaks the bow and shatters  
the spear, and burns the chariots  
in the fire.
10. 'Be still, and know that I am God:  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted upon the earth.'
11. The Lord of hosts is with us:  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**Glory to God, Father, Son  
and Holy Spirit:  
as in the beginning, so now  
and forever. Amen.**

**SECOND READING – Colossians 1:11-20** <sup>11</sup> May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. <sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; <sup>16</sup> for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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**THIRD READING** – A reading from the gospel of Luke, Chapter 23, verses 33-43.

**Glory to you Father, Son and Holy Spirit**

<sup>33</sup> When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup> Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup> And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' <sup>36</sup> The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, <sup>37</sup> and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' <sup>38</sup> There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' <sup>39</sup> One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' <sup>40</sup> But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' <sup>41</sup> And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' <sup>42</sup> Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' <sup>43</sup> He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR – Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury):** The Rt Revd Nigel William Stock. **In Australia: Diocese of Riverina:** Bishop Rob Gillion (Janine) Clergy and People; **Cootamundra:** Rob Donald (Rhonda), Colleen Close (John), Lyn Forsyth (Clive), Pamela Roels (SLM); **Temora:** John Jenner (Carol); **Juneë:** Glen McDonald (Beth); **Juneë Correctional Centre:** Natalie Milliken (Daniel); and for those who work in the justice system.

**People who are facing an uncertain future in their jobs.**

**The sick or in special need:**

**Our partners in ministry overseas:** Kim and Jamie Arpin-Ricci in Canada ( daughter and son-in-law); Rebekah and Scott Falconer in Mozambique (Steve niece).

**The Rev Peta Thorpe** as she ministers to those in the Alexander Maconochie Centre.

**Dreams to reality:** Give thanks that many of the 7 Dreams we chose in February 2014 have already turned into Reality; and please pray for the Dream Teams that continue to pursue turning the remaining Dreams into Reality: Lawson; Mainly Music; Visiting & Listening; Kaleen High; Fair; Visibility and Hospitality.

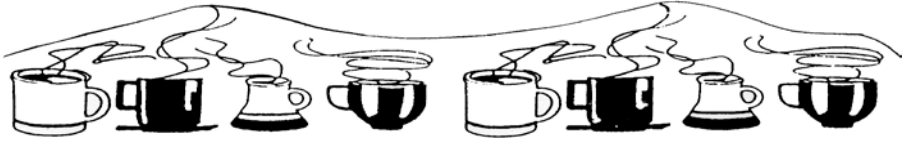
If you know of a need in our world, country, community, church or family that should be brought before God by the church, please email or phone the office. If you wish to have a name on the prayer calendar, or take one off, please contact the parish office during the coming week.

*We name in prayer members of our family and friends who do not yet know Jesus as their Saviour and Lord and are not a part of His Kingdom yet.*

**CHALICES** *If you wish to drink from the Common Cup, please receive the large chalice. If you would prefer to dip the bread into the wine, please wait for the small chalice.*

**PRAYER MINISTRY** *If you would like prayer for any matter, please come and kneel at the railings at the end of Communion, letting the minister know you would like prayer.*

**MORNING TEA** Thank you for sharing in worshipping the Lord with us today. We hope you found the service an uplifting experience and invite you to join us over a 'cuppa' in the foyer after the service. If you are visiting, please fill in our visitors' book, and for more information about life at St Simon's please take one of the welcome brochures.



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## Readings for Next Week



**First Sunday of Advent – 27 November 2016**

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:9-14; Matthew 24:36-44



## Dates for Your Diary



Sat 26 Nov 11am

Rev Tracey Matthew's ordination,  
St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn

Sun 4 Dec 2-5pm

Gingerbread House making

# ST SIMON'S NOTES

**CONGRATULATIONS** Today we celebrate, and give thanks to our Lord for, Peter Dillon's 50 years of Ordained ministry.

**NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEYS (NCLS)** are available as you leave church today. The information collected is useful for the church for future planning. Please complete your surveys **BEFORE YOU LEAVE TODAY**. Completed surveys can be left in the black box in the Narthex. Our Church Code is **ANC01801 – this needs to be entered on your survey**. This year it is also possible to complete the survey online at [www.surveys.ncls.org.au](http://www.surveys.ncls.org.au) – please complete this TODAY.

**TRAILER NEEDED** We would like to move some furniture from Kaleen to Queanbeyan for a refugee family living in a partly-furnished house. The furniture to be moved includes two dressers which measure about 1.2 x 1.1 metres so a medium-sized trailer will be needed. Please contact Charles

**COMPENDIUM** At its next meeting on Wednesday 30 November Parish Council will be allocating funds in our Compendium account. If there are any worthy causes you wish to be considered for funding, please contact Steve

**LAST CHANCE** Gingerbread House Making Afternoon – contact Sue Cohen  
THIS WEEK to reserve your place. Sunday 4 December from  
2-5pm. \$35

**BON BONS** have been put in your pigeonhole recently. These are to act as "wrapping" for our customary Christmas gifts for our neighbours in the units next to the church. You are invited to fill them with tiny treats such as chocolates, wrapped soap, tea bags, coffee bags etc, and return them to Christine. The Music Minstrels will then deliver them when we entertain the neighbours with Carols closer to Christmas. We'd love you to fill more than one, just ask Christine for extras. The date of the Carol singing will be advertised so you can join the carollers if you wish.

**USEFUL GIFTS** TEAR Fund catalogues for 2016-17 are available in the Narthex. Complete an order form on the back or order online at [www.usefulgifts.org](http://www.usefulgifts.org).

**“KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS”** fund-raising for Christian Education in Schools (ACT) [CEIS]. Simple Christmas gifts, local Canberra products, positive community impact, sustaining CEIS. Order online at [www.trybooking.com/GGRP](http://www.trybooking.com/GGRP). Items are also on display in the Narthex. Enquiries: Trish

**SEASONS OF BIRTH** This exhibition by 15 Australian contemporary visual artists from a diverse range of national and cultural backgrounds, with contrasting world views, is being held from 13 - 26 November at the Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Cnr Kings Ave & Blackall St, Barton. The exhibition runs Mon-Fri 10am-4pm; Sat-Sun 1-4 pm

**THE CALVARY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY** is holding a Christmas Craft and Present Stall on Thursday and Friday 1st and 2nd December from 8.00am - 4.00pm in the main foyer of the Hospital. Please come along and buy your Christmas presents while supporting the work of this very dedicated organisation. Fund raising this year is going towards the establishment of a family recreation area in the grounds of the Hospital. Enquiries Mary

**YEAR OF MERCY INTERFAITH CELEBRATION** On Sunday 4 December St Thomas More's Church in Campbell and members of the Canberra Muslim Community are holding a day of prayer and discussion which investigates the Benedictine and Islamic prayer traditions and considers the concept of mercy in both faiths. Open to members of Islamic and Christian Communities. The number of participants is limited. Please contact Vivien Arnold on 61660187 or at [viva@grapevine.com.au](mailto:viva@grapevine.com.au) to reserve a place.

**ST JOHN'S CARE** The latest News update is on the noticeboard. Wish list for this week: small fruits for lunch boxes, cereal, school lunch snacks.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS (CEIS)** Praise God for all who share His love and Word with children in schools. Please pray that God:

- helps each volunteer to focus their heart and mind
- unites CEIS teams with His love and peace as they prepare
- blesses the resources and materials to His glory
- guides all involved with strength and wisdom

Please pray specifically that:

- \* God's love and Spirit are present in every session
- \* students are inspired to wonder about why Jesus came
- \* students explore and discover at their own level
- \* school staff are welcoming, organised and interested
- \* suitable learning environments are available for CEIS sessions
- \* students have conversations at home after their session

# Wotz On @ St Simon's

**SUNDAY**      **Sunday School:** for years K-6 during the 9.45 am service  
Contact: Jan  
**Sunday Respire:** for teens during the 9.45am service

**TUESDAY**      **Bread Run:** from 7.30 pm, at the church  
Contact: Daniel  
**Bible Study:** 7.30 pm  
Contact: John

**WEDNESDAY**      **Prayer Group:** 7.30 am at the church  
**Mid-week Communion:** 10.00 am  
**Craft and Fellowship Group:** 10.45 am at the church  
Contact: Robyn  
**Parish Council:** 3rd Wednesday of the month

**THURSDAY**      **Mainly Music:** 10.00-11.00am  
Contact: Robyn  
**Bible Study:** 8.00 pm  
Contact: Anne  
**Bible Study:** 8.00 pm  
Contact: Jim

**SATURDAY**      **Music Practice:** 4.00 pm, at the church  
Contact: Christine

*We encourage everyone to pick up and put in the garbage any rubbish that collects in the gardens and areas around the church. Thank you for caring.*

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