

Second Sunday After Epiphany 14 January 2024, 9am

WELCOME to St Peter's Church today and happy new year. I am delighted that you can join us in worship.

If you are a newcomer or visiting, I especially look forward to meeting you and hope that you feel welcome. May I invite you to sign the visitors' book on the back table. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask one of the greeters at the door, or someone in the pew next to you.

I hope you can stay and enjoy morning tea after the service. Tim St Quintin, Rector.

TODAY'S SERVICE

SUNG EUCHARIST

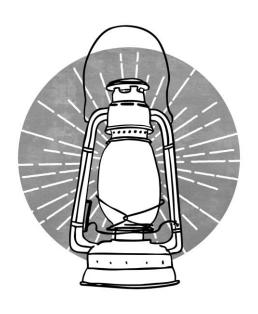
CELEBRANT REV. TIM ST. QUINTIN
PREACHER BP PETER WATSON

ORGANIST & CANTOR GLENN AMER

SETTING DUDMAN

A Hearing Loop is available in the pews on the left-hand side of the church. Toilets are available in the Lower Hall and a mobility access toilet in the David Armstrong Room.

Epiphany 2024 A Light to the Nations



'I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles...'

Isaiah 42:6

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All Stand

Tune: Dundee

- The people that in darkness sat
 A glorious light have seen;
 The light has shined on them who long
 In shades of death have been.
- To hail thee, Sun of righteousness, The gathering nations come; They joy as when the reapers bear Their harvest treasures home.
- 3 For thou their burden dost remove, And break the tyrant's rod, As in the day when Midian fell Before the sword of God.
- For unto us a Child is born,
 To us a Son is given,
 And on his shoulder ever rests
 All power in earth and heaven.
- His Name shall be the Prince of Peace,
 The Everlasting Lord,
 The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
 The God by all adored.
- 6 Lord Jesus, reign in us we pray, And make us thine alone, Who with the Father ever art And Holy Spirit One.

Rev. John Morison, 1791 -1859

The Celebrant welcomes the people with a greeting.

₱ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

■ Blessed be God

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

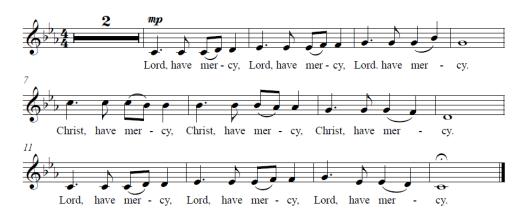
SENTENCE

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the king of Israel! John 1.41,49

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON



THE CONFESSION

Senior Server

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Silence may be kept.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God,

our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;

Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
₱ pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Please stand



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Eternal God,

whose Son, Jesus Christ, is now exalted as Lord of all,

and pours out his gifts upon the Church:

grant it that unity which only your Spirit can give,

keep us in the bond of peace,

and bring all creation to worship before your throne;

through Jesus Christ our Redeemer,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Eternal God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, is now exalted as Lord of all, and pours out his gifts upon the Church: grant it that unity which only your Spirit can give, keep us in the bond of peace, and bring all creation to worship

before your throne; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Please be seated

FIRST READING

A reading from the first book of Samuel 3:1-20

¹ The boy Samuel ministered before the Lord under Eli. In those days the word of the Lord was rare; there were not many visions. 2 One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. 3 The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the Lord, where the ark of God was. 4 Then the Lord called Samuel. Samuel answered, 'Here I am.' 5 And he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am; you called me.' But Eli said, 'I did not call; go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. 6 Again the Lord called, 'Samuel!' And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am; you called me.' 'My son,' Eli said, 'I did not call; go back and lie down.' 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord: the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. 8 A third time the Lord called, 'Samuel!' And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am; you called me.' Then Eli realised that the Lord was calling the boy. 9 So Eli told Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Then Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' 11 And the Lord said to Samuel: 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle. 12 At that time I will carry out against Eli everything I spoke against his family - from beginning to end. 13 For I told him that I would judge his family for ever because of the sin he knew about; his sons uttered blasphemies against God, and he failed to restrain them. 14 Therefore I swore to the house of Eli, "The quilt of Eli's house will never be atoned for by sacrifice or offering." 15 Samuel lay down until morning and then opened the doors of the house of the Lord. He was afraid to tell Eli the vision, 16 but Eli called him and said, 'Samuel, my son.' Samuel answered, 'Here I am.' 17 'What was it he said to you?' Eli asked. 'Do not hide it from me. May God deal with you, be it ever so severely, if you hide from me anything he told you.' 18 So Samuel

told him everything, hiding nothing from him. Then Eli said, 'He is the Lord; let him do what is good in his eyes.' ¹⁹ The Lord was with Samuel as he grew up, and he let none of Samuel's words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba recognised that Samuel was attested as a prophet of the Lord.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.



- O Lord you have searched me | out and | known me: you know when I sit or when I stand * you comprehend my | thoughts | long be | fore.
- You discern my path and the places | where I | rest: you are ac | quainted with | all my | ways.
- For there is not a | word on my | tongue: but you Lord | know it | alto | gether.
- You have encompassed me be | hind and be | fore: and have | laid your | hand up | on me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too | wonder ful | for me: so | high that I | cannot en | dure it.
- For you have created my | inward | parts: you knit me together | in my | mother's | womb.
- 13 I will praise you for | you are to be | feared: fearful are your | acts and | wonderful your | works.
- You knew my sould * and my bones were not | hidden | from you: when I was formed in secret * and | woven in the | depths of the | earth.

- Your eyes saw my limbs when they were | yet imp | perfect: and in your book were | all my | members | written;
- Day by | day hey were | fashioned: and not | one was | late in | growing.
- How deep are your thoughts to | me O | God: and how | great | is the | sum of them!
- Were I to count them * they are more in number than the | sand: were I to come to the | end •I would | still be | with you.

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians 6:12-20

"I have the right to do anything," you say—but not everything is beneficial. "I have the right to do anything"—but I will not be mastered by anything. ¹³ You say, "Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both." The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh."] ¹⁷ But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit.

¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. ¹⁹ Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

We have found the Messiah Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 1:43-51



The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."

- ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."
- ⁴⁶ "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.
- "Come and see," said Philip.
- ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."
- ⁴⁸ "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.
- Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you."
- ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."
- ⁵⁰ Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." ⁵¹ He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

Please sit

HYMN

Please stand Tune : Austria

- 1 Hark, creation's Alleluia,
 Rising from a thousand shores,
 Vibrates sweet as angel voices,
 Loud as many waters, roars –
 'Blessing, glory, power, salvation
 To our Lord upon the throne,
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 Infinite, supreme alone.'
- 2 Gathering strength from every nation, Ever kindred, tribe and tongue, Hark, that everlasting anthem, Hark, that glorious tide of song, Floods the valleys with its music, Echos from the lasting hills, Onward, upward, till the temple Of the living God it fills.
- Hark, it mingles with the raptures
 Of the armies of the sky,
 Who have passed through tribulation into perfect rest on high,
 Clothed in robes of spotless beauty,
 Palms of triumph in their hands,
 Harping on their harps hosannas,
 As before his face they stand:
- 4 'Glory until him who loved us,
 Him who washed us with his Blood,
 Kings and priests henceforth for ever
 To our Father and our God,
 Alleluia! saints and angels,
 Raise your loudest, loftiest strains!
 Alleluia! hell is vanquished;
 God, the Lord Almighty, reigns.'

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1825 - 1906

THE NICENE CREED

Senior Server

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

We believe in one God, the Father,

the almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary

and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living

and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has

spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

¥and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Senior Server Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

All sit/kneel

Prayer during the search for a new Rector:

Lord God, you are our eternal shepherd and guide. In your mercy grant your Church in this parish a shepherd after your own heart who will walk in your ways and with loving care watch over your people, that your name may be glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amem**

Periods of silence may be briefly kept for personal prayer. Each petition ends with this response: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us, to pray,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

All stand

Celebrant

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

1 John 4:10

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

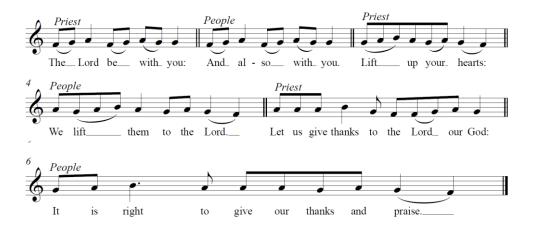
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All are invited to greet those immediately around them with the words, "Peace be with you" "And also with you".

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant



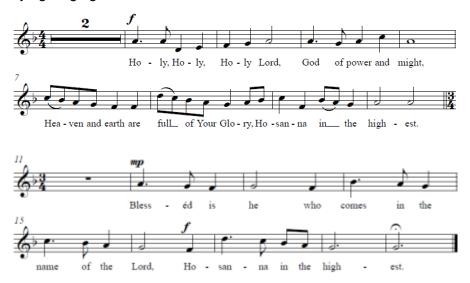
All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

You anointed him as Messiah, the light of the nations, and revealed him as the hope of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying/singing:



Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night when he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith,



Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people, into the joy of the eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise.



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

AGNUS DEL



INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

As the sacrament is received the communicant responds. **Amen**.

All baptised Christians who love and serve the Lord Jesus are welcome to join in the sharing of Holy Communion. If you are not yet ready to receive Communion, we encourage you to come forward for a prayer of blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by holding your hands behind your back.

Alcoholic wine is available in the Common Cup, and both alcoholic and non-alcoholic wine is available in individual cups. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one on your way to the Communion Rail and wait until chalice bearer says the Words for the Giving of Communion before drinking.

As the sacrament is received the communicant responds. Amen. After receiving communion, the congregation sits or kneels. Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Father of all we give you thanks and praise that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

Keep us in the hope that we have grasped; so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name. Amen.

PRAYER FOR OFFERTORY

Gracious God, all things come from you, and you teach us to be generous with what we have. We pray that our gifts may be wisely used for the ministry of the gospel and the relief of those in need, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**

NOTICES

Please be seated

GOD'S BLESSING

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with your always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Senior Server

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Please stand

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us O'er the world's tempestuous sea; Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, For we have no help but thee; Yet possessing every blessing, If our God our Father be.

- 2 Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
 All our weakness thou dost know;
 Thou didst tread this earth before us,
 Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
 Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
 Through the desert thou dids't go.
- 3 Spirit of our God, descending, Fill our hearts with heavenly joy; Love with every passion blending, Pleasure that can never cloy; Thus provided, pardoned, guided, Nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston, 1825 - 1906

Tune: Mannheim

ORGAN POSTLUDE

The sanctuary party leaves and the congregation sits. As a courtesy to those who remain in the church to listen to the organ postlude in its entirety, you are encouraged to enjoy conversation and fellowship outside the building.

A basket for financial contributions to the ongoing ministry of St Peter's is available at the entrance to the church building.

PARISH BULLETIN WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

FOR GOD'S KINGDOM

Lord our God, giver of all grace, have mercy on your Church throughout the world. Renew its life; restore its unity; sanctify its worship; empower its witness; and make it a fit instrument for the furtherance of Christ's kingdom among all people, to the glory of his great name. Amen.

THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

We pray for the Anglican Communion, for Justin of Canterbury, Geoffrey, Primate of Australia, Kanishka our Archbishop and Bishop Chris and The Anglican Church in Nigeria.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Rector Rev'd Tim St Quintin and our Honorary Associate Minister Peter Watson. We pray for the parish of St Luke's, Mosman.

PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Almighty God and merciful Father, we give you humble and heartfelt thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We give thanks for... We pray for... one another; our community our local government, the police; those who suffer; those caring for people in need; those who teach in our schools; people known to us (especially...) We commend to your keeping, Father, ourselves and each other, our families, our neighbours, and our friends. Enable us by your Spirit to live in love for you and for one another.

PRAY FOR MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Makito Miyashita, serving with the Samurai Project in Tokyo.

Please pray that he will be building good relationships and partnerships with church leaders in Japan. Please pray for a godly and skilled person to fill the vacant role to work with him. Please pray for him as he manages on his own until the role is filled.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

Pray for Christians in Nigeria:

At least 140 Nigerian Christians were killed over the Christmas holiday. Attacks on 26 villages in Plateau State began December 23, led by

suspected extremists among Fulani Muslim herdsman against Christian farming communities. Some media reports cite nearly 200 dead, with many missing as local residents fled from gunmen into the bush. Open Doors ranks Nigeria No. 6 on its annual World Watch List of countries where it is most difficult to be a Christian. In 2022, it tallied 5,014 Nigerian believers killed because of their faith. And since 2009, Intersociety, a Nigerian nongovernmental organization, stated that at least 52,000 Christians and 34,000 moderate Muslims have been killed by jihadist forces. Additionally, 18,000 churches and 2,200 Christian schools have been burned down.

Pray for protection and faithfulness for Christians, pray for action by the government to protect their citizens of all faiths, pray for changed hearts for the attackers.

OUR PARISHIONERS

Helen Matheson, Russ McLean, Laura Mock, Taylor Mock and Neil Modra.

THE SICK

Those requiring on-going prayer.

Anna Fung, Sofia Awad, Anne Blake, Bobbie Dee Deal, Robin Dodd, Edwina Lambkin, Marty McCallum, Michael Pollak, Gill Stemp, Susan Upton, Anne Vernon, Gigi, Helen, Janne, JJ, Pamela, Margie & Rein, Jane, Jenny and Sally, Louise, Lyn, Russ McLean

Those in residential care

Fr Robert Alexander, Judy Chapman, Kathy Moss, Patricia Reuben, Stan Thomas, Helen Ramsay.

Faithful departed

We praise God for his faithful servants in every age. We pray that we, with all who have died in the faith of Christ, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of God's eternal kingdom.

We remember the recently deceased and we also remember those whose anniversary occurs at this time.



JANUARY 2024

Tuesday 16	10am	Eucharist	
Friday 19		Tim's Day of rest	
Saturday 20	1pm – 4pm	Quilts for Comfort	

HELP REQUIRED ON MORNIG TEA THIS MORNING

Alison Peterson would be grateful for another volunteer to help on morning tea with her **this morning**. Thank you.



ST QUINTIN FAMILY FINAL SERVICE AND FAREWELL.

On Sunday January 21, 2024 we will be farewelling our Rector Tim and his family Sarah, William, Callum and Kate.

Following the 9am Sung Eucharist there will be a *Celebration of Seven Years of Ministry Morning Tea* in the David Armstrong Room and, weather permitting, the Rectory front garden.

This will be followed by gathering at *The Oaks* from 12pm. Tim and Sarah envisage this would be a time of convivial conversation and sharing of memories over either lunch or a drink later in the afternoon. Come for as short or as long a time as you are able. This will be a self-funded gathering.

To ensure we can reserve enough tables in the Beer Garden please RSVP by Monday January 15 via return email OR by adding your name/s to the sign-up list at the back of the church.

CRAFTERS GROUP

The Crafters Group will begin meeting again in February. Thank you, Alison Peterson.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish will be held on Sunday 17 March 2024 after the 9am service.

Thank you. Wardens.

SUNDAY ROSTERS

	This week 14 January 2024	Next Week 21 January 2024
First Deading	4.0000001.00	Jamah Od 40
First Reading	1 Samuel 3:1-20	Jonah 3:1-10
Psalm	Psalm 139: 1- 5,12- 18	Psalm 62:5-12
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 6:12- 20	1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel	John 1:43 - 51	Mark 1:14-20
Preacher	Bp. Peter Watson	Rev. Tim St. Quintin
Celebrant	Rev. Tim St. Quintin	Rev. Tim St. Quintin
Service Leader	Trov. Firm Ot. Quintin	1101. Tim Ot. Quintin
Senior Server	Roy Bartlett	Laura Mock
Crucifer	Laura Mock	Gordon Heathcote
Thurifer		
Acolyte		
Welcomer	Margaret McNabb	Anna Reed-Stephenson
Sideperson	Helen Matheson	Sharon Boddu
Readers	Margaret McNabb	Sue Paul
	Ken Bernie	Graham St. Quintin
Intercessor	Ruth Cohen	Esme Parker
Chalice	Alison Peterson	Stefan Trofimovs
Livestream	Taylor Mock	Prabhu Boddu
Morning tea	Alison Peterson	St. Quintin Farewell
Sacristy Linen	Alison Peterson	Kerry Trofimovs