

# 29 January 2017

Welcome to Gold Coast North Anglican Church. We're so glad that you have joined us today and we invite you to participate in our worship as freely and fully as you feel comfortable to. Please join us for a cuppa and a chat after the service.

From Bishop Len Eacott

*(Retired Army Chaplain/Bishop to the Defence Force, and parishioner of GCNAC)*

## A new beginning, or more of the same?

With the arrival, or is it return, of the Dougherty family in March, each and all of us, will and ought to, experience some adjustment and change to the "status quo" and to our levels of contentment as a community.



This may include adjustment to Fr John's distinctive professional character of priestly ministry and pastoral care, and an openness to embrace Fr John's distinctive God given understanding of theology, of God's presence and activity in people's lives, and his application of this knowledge in many situations and circumstances.

In preparation and in response, we each have a Godly duty to ensure that this time of transition that we enter is founded upon prayer. And, as Jesus words in today's Gospel reading remind us, as a community of faith we must move forward alongside our new priest and his family, as men and women of humility, love, trust, fidelity, and courage. Not yet perfect, but with our interests and desires focused afresh in the direction of the kingdom of God.



+Len

# For your study and prayers....

## Daily Bible Readings for next week....

**Monday:** 2 Samuel 7

**Tuesday:** 2 Samuel 8

**Wednesday:** 2 Samuel 9

**Thursday:** 2 Samuel 10

**Friday:** 2 Samuel 11

**Saturday:** 2 Samuel 12

*For first time Bible readers we suggest you allow 10 minutes at the same time each day: 3 minutes to make coffee, 1 minute for silent prayer, 3 minutes to read the Bible passage and 3 minutes to pray about your day. If want some help or further suggestions please contact Revd Don Campbell on 0417 190 817 or by email [dlcampbe@onthenet.com.au](mailto:dlcampbe@onthenet.com.au)*

Prayer of the Week: O Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are worth nothing: send your 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 in your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

Daily Prayers: Brett, Denise & Ray Eolkin, Matt Osborne, John Devine, Patti Smith, Sandra Ward, Anne Standaloft, George Osborne, Ann Kruger, Joan Bramham and Mary Williams.

Beyond the Parish: Beyond the Parish giving for **January** will go to Anglican Aid Abroad, and the giving for **February** will go to Bush Ministry (specifically the Parish of Maranoa).

CMS Link Missionaries: Please pray for Adam & Helene Ramsay and their children Leo, Ellie and Bertie in Chiba Kanto, Japan, and for their ministry there.



God our Shepherd, we thank you for calling John Dougherty to serve in this parish of Gold Coast North Anglican Church, as Priest-in-Charge. Uphold John and his family - Felicity, Lucy, Laurie, Griffin, Jude and Suzy - as they prepare to relocate; and prepare us to receive and welcome them. Equip and strengthen John for his ministry and leadership in the years ahead. Enable him to be among us as one who preaches the Gospel with conviction, administers the sacraments with reverence and cares for your people with love, that together we might 'go for growth' and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The future for GCNAC: Please pray the ongoing search for an Associate Priest, and that this be guided by the Holy Spirit, according to God's will; thus enabling the right leadership team for GCNAC.

## Have you checked out our website?

[www.goldcoastnorth.org.au](http://www.goldcoastnorth.org.au)



## From the Parish Office....

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As announced in all services last week we have a new Priest in Charge appointed to the parish of Gold Coast North...

In the letter that Bishop Alison Taylor wrote to the parish wardens she says: *"I am very pleased to announce that the Archbishop has appointed the Revd John Dougherty as the new Priest in Charge of Gold Coast North Anglican parish. John will be well known to many people here as he was Assistant Priest during 2013 and 2014. John is currently the Priest in Charge of the Parish of Toowoomba West. He is married to Felicity and they have five children, Lucy, Laurie, Griffin, Jude and Suzy. We expect that John will take up the appointment in GCN parish in mid-March and we will announce the date and time of his commissioning service as soon as possible."*

Please give thanks to God for this announcement and pray for John and Felicity and their family as they prepare to leave the parish of Toowoomba West and move back to this parish. Pray especially for the people of Toowoomba West who will be very sad to lose the Dougherty family. Do continue also to pray for the appointment of a new Associate Priest in the future.

**Locums...** There is a small change in the Locum situation until mid-March. From 1 February, Gary Smith will be the Locum Priest in Charge and Don Campbell will be the Locum Associate Priest (until the end of March when Don intends to retire!!).

## Rosters...

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February rosters... are now published on Elvanto, and printed copies are available at the welcome desks. Thank you to all our volunteers who assist in all the different ministries.



## Parish Office, Upper Coomera...

The Parish Office is open Monday to Thursday, 9am to 4pm. (Closed Friday)

## Find us on Facebook!

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Search for the Gold Coast North Anglican Church page next time you are logged in to Facebook. Click the "like" button on our page. Did you know you can invite all your friends and family in your FB list to check us out, too? Click on the button next to the message button (top RHS of page). Help to make GCNAC a household name!!



# Activities you should not miss!

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## **Monday 30 January:**

- Bible Study on Revelation, Chapters 6 to 22, at St Matthews (9.15am start). Books available from back of church today, from Parish Office and from Lurline Campbell. Cost of books \$1. If you would like a book, please place your money in the envelope provided, write your name on the list, and indicate whether you plan to attend the study or if it is for personal use. If you are planning on attending the study, try to have the introduction and the first week's study read. *Lurline Campbell*.



## **Tuesday 31 January:**

- Prayer time at St Matthews 8am-8.45am.
- Social craft group at St Matthews 9.00am. (Note new venue—group meets fortnightly). Bring any craft work you like, have a good chat and morning tea. Wool is available to knit squares for rugs, if you wish.

## **Wednesday 1 February:**

- Pastoral Care meeting at St James following the 9.30am service. All welcome to attend.

## **Thursday 2 February:**

- Prayer time at St Matthews 6am-6.45am.

## **Monday 6 February:**

- Wardens' meeting. 5.30pm. Parish Office.

## **Saturday 11 February:**

- Whole Parish Brekky BBQ at Holy Rood, commencing 7.15am. Everyone welcome. RSVPs necessary. Please contact Jim Relph 0414 444 357 or Don Campbell 0417 190 817.
- Safe Ministry Training Day at St Matthews—9.30am-11am. Mandatory training for all persons in the parish who hold blue cards. This training session will be facilitated by Rev Rosie Stower and Rev Lyn Dunn. RSVP Rosie (0421 725 275) or Lyn (0413 528 670)



## **Sunday 12 February:**

- MU Card stall at St James. The cards contain special messages for all occasions and are only \$1.50 each. If anyone from Holy Rood or St Matthews would like to purchase some cards, please contact Irene Daniel on 0418 725 397.

## **Monday 13 February:**

- Parish Council meeting. 6pm. St James Church Hall. Supper provided.

## **Saturday 18 February:**

- Cards 'n' Conversation at St Matthews. 1.30-3.30pm. \$20 for materials. RSVP to Caroline White 0409 611 718 or cawhite174@gmail.com

## **Sunday 19 February:**

- AGM Part 2—Budget & Annual Reports. To be held at St Matthews, commencing 12 noon. This is an important meeting in the life of the Parish. Please do all you can to be present at this meeting.



# General Notices....

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**St James Bring 'n' Buy...** Thank you to all who “brought” and all who “bought” from the stall at St James last Sunday! The stall made \$175.50.

**“Spare a Minute”...** This Lenten Parish Study, for groups or alone, is “Spare a minute” by Bishop John Ford. Starting in the week following the 1st Sunday of Lent, the six-week study concludes in Holy Week. *(One option could be to spare a few minutes of scripture study with Bishop Led and Sandy at their home on Wednesday evenings during Lent - commencing 8 March @ 7pm. Contact Bp Len as soon as possible on 0400 408 415 or speak with he or Sandy at Holy Rood church.)* Expressions of interest for purchase of booklets should be made to the Parish Office on 5580 5814 from individuals or Bible Study groups as soon as possible (**and not later than 31 January**) to enable purchase of material at a discounted (bulk) rate. If you have any queries in relation to the study, please speak to Don Campbell, Gary Smith or Len Eacott.

**Naughty crows at St Matthews...** The glass doors and window panels on the northern side of St Matthews (near the shade sails) have had reflective window tinting applied to the glass. It is lovely and dark inside now—however the local crows can see themselves from the outside and think their territory is being invaded! Rubber snakes were effective for about two days and have now been cast aside by the crows, who continue to peck at their enemy reflections! Apparently the local birds are not afraid of the larger than life pretend owls ... so we are looking for suggestions (that don't include violence) in helping to solve the problem. Please speak to Don or Gary!



**Nursing Home Ministry...** Extra volunteers for the Nursing Home Ministry would be a great help. If you are interested, please chat to Pat Grant after the 7.30am St James service, or phone Pat on 0412 730 979.

**Urgent notice...** Accommodation and work required for a St James parishioner. Part or fully furnished unit or granny flat; part or full time work; willing to consider anything, including live in home help. Contact Jasmine Tovmasyan—0413 721 910



Flowers at St James today... The flowers at St James today are in loving memory of Malcolm Lilly, who passed away on 23 January 2016. We miss your smile, Malcolm!

# Group Gatherings.....

| GROUP FACILITATOR AND CONTACT                      | VENUE/LOCALITY   | DAY/TIME   |
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| Pat & Barry Schmidt<br>5529 3802                   | Home Study Group<br>Biggera Waters   | Mondays 6.55pm   |
| Don Campbell<br>0417 190 817                       | Prayer Meeting St Matthew's Church<br>Upper Coomera                        | Tuesdays 8.00-8.45am   |
| Parish Office<br>5580 5814                         | Social Craft Group<br>Upper Coomera  | Tuesdays 9am—12noon<br><b>Fortnightly during school terms</b>        |
| Pam Wain<br>5501 5302                              | Home Study Group<br>Hollywell  | Tuesdays 10.00-11.30am   |
| Rod & Lesley Dunlop<br>5668 5717                   | Home Study Group<br>Coomera Waters   | Tuesdays 7.00-9.00pm   |
| Ruth Bradley<br>0452 511 321                       | Home Study Group<br>Coomera Waters   | Tuesdays 7.30pm  |
| Bishop Len & Sandy Eacott<br>0400 408 415          | Lenten Bible Study<br>Pacific Pines  | (During Lent)<br>Wednesdays 7pm-9pm<br>8, 15, 22, 29 Mar & 5, 12 Apr |
| Ian Boniface<br>0414 279 088                       | Prayer Meeting St Matthew's Church<br>Upper Coomera                        | Thursdays 6.00-6.45am  |
| Pat Grant 0412 730 979<br>George Osborne 5577 3738 | Home Study Group<br>Biggera Waters   | Thursdays 7.00-9.00pm  |
| Glenda Murrell<br>0405 470 528                     | Mainly Music<br>Holy Rood Family Centre                                    | Thursdays 9.15am   |
| Bev & Ian Huguenin<br>5573 6211                    | PATSIMAC—Prayer for Aboriginal &<br>TSI Ministry & concerns.<br>Helensvale | 2nd Thursday monthly<br>1.30-2.30pm                                  |
| Pat Grant<br>0412 730 979                          | Social Craft Group<br>St James Church Hall                                 | Fridays 9.30am—12noon  |
| Lyn Martin<br>5537 2024                            | Ladies' Prayer Group<br>Biggera Waters                                     | 1st Saturday of month 8.00am   |
| Gail Beattie<br>5563 7170                          | Cursillista's Group<br>St James Church Hall<br>Biggera Waters              | Last Sunday monthly<br>(after 9.00am service)                        |

# Service Times

St James Anglican Church, 41 Brighton Street, Biggera Waters

Sunday 7.30am

Sunday 9.00am (Kids Church/Sunday School—1st/3rd Sundays)

Wednesday 9.30am

Holy Rood Anglican Church, 192 Tamborine-Oxenford Road, Oxenford

Sunday 8am

Sunday 5pm (Church Express)

St Matthew's Anglican Church, 142 Billinghamurst Crescent, Upper Coomera

Sunday 10am (Kids Church/Sunday School)

Sunday 5.30pm (Sunday Night Life)

## Contact Details

### Priests

Rev Don Campbell (0417 190 817)

Rev Canon Gary Smith (0407 141 468)

Rev Mary-Anne Rulfs (0403 049 124)

### Deacons/Spiritual Companions

Rev Lyn Dunn (0413 528 670)

Rev Rosanne Stower (0421 725 275)

### Wardens

Katrina Lyon (0439 735 391)

Karen Jones (0403 952 262)

Allison Boniface (5573 1498)

### Parish Office

142 Billinghamurst Crescent  
Upper Coomera Qld 4209

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*For further contact details of ministries and ministers within Gold Coast North Anglican Church please refer to [www.goldcoastnorth.org.au](http://www.goldcoastnorth.org.au) or contact the Parish Office.*

## GIVING

- **Direct Deposit via Internet Banking** into our bank account—  
Gold Coast North Anglican Psh—Easy Access BSB 704-901 Account # 00001100
- **Deposit over counter at Westpac Bank** into our bank account—  
Gold Coast North Anglican Psh—Easy Access BSB 034-844 Account # 00001100
- **ANFIN Parish Direct**—forms available at the Welcome Desk or from the Parish Office.

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# Worship with us today....

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## 4th Sunday after Epiphany

### SENTENCE

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and walk humbly with your God? *Micah 6:8*

### COLLECT

Living God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



### TODAY'S READINGS

**Reading:** Micah 6: 1-8

**Psalm:** 15 (*p.234 of APBA*)

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31

**Gospel:** Matthew 5: 1-12

### Next Sunday's Readings:

#### 5th Sunday after Epiphany

**Reading:** Isaiah 58: 1-9a (9b-12)

**Psalm:** 112 (*p.344 of APBA*)

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 2: 1-13 (14-16)

**Gospel:** Matthew 5: 13-20

*Baptised and communicant members of other Christian churches professing the Apostolic (or historic Christian) faith are invited to receive Holy Communion. All are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, whether or not baptised or confirmed.*