



# Gold Coast North Anglican

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## Transfiguration

11 February 2018

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### The Authority of Jesus

When I was coaching a junior rugby team a few years back, I had one kid who proved to be quite a challenge. He was a great rugby player, but would not listen to me or follow my basic instructions. It ended up being quite a disruption to the rest of the team and despite my best efforts, nothing seemed to change his behaviour. That all changed one day when his dad turned up to watch training. He behaved perfectly! Why? Because I never had authority in this kid's eyes but his dad did.

In life, I believe, we are always submitting ourselves to authority. Whether self-authority, or the authority of others. For Christians, the call is to submit ourselves to the authority of Jesus. In Mark's Gospel, the writer undoubtedly wants us to know Jesus has authority.

In today's reading (Mark 9:2-9) we see that Jesus' interesting encounter between Jesus and his key team members, Peter, James and John. They go up a mountain and Jesus' appearance changes and God's voice speaks, affirming Jesus' authority. The voice says, "This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him"(v.7).

Jesus' authority was confirmed by God the Father. For Peter, James and John the question now is, "Will they listen to Jesus?" That is, will they submit to Jesus' authority over their lives? In the same way, every person who takes Jesus seriously needs to ask themselves, "Will I listen to Jesus?" "Will I submit to his authority?"

*Rev. John*

## Welcome

### New here?

Whether you are visiting, wanting explore faith, or find a new church home, welcome, its great to have you with us.

### What to expect

While each of our Sunday services are unique, you will find warm and friendly people looking to journey in life together.

### You're our guest

If you are a guest with us today, please don't feel you need to give any money in the offering. This service is the gift of our members to you.

### What next?

If you want to know more about our church and how to take your next step with us, please talk to one of our friendly Welcomers on Sunday's, or get in touch with the office during the week. We'd be happy to help.

# For your study and prayers

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

**Monday:** Psalm 103

**Tuesday:** Psalm 104

**Wednesday:** Psalm 105

**Thursday:** Psalm 106

**Friday:** Psalm 107

**Saturday:** Psalm 108

*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 John Dougherty on 0417 190 817 or by email [revjohndougherty@gmail.com](mailto:revjohndougherty@gmail.com)*

## My Sermon Notes

## For your Daily Prayers:

**Those In Need** Brett, Denise & Ray Eolkin, Patti Smith, the Boniface family, Pam Wain, Diane and Gerry Adams, Sonja Hargreaves, Keiran, Matthew Osborne, Barry C, Ros, Peter and Julie, Steve Ball, Greta, and Andrew Smith (son of Gill & Richard).

**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.

**Parish Ministry Team** Please pray for the ongoing search for an Associate Priest and Op Shop Manager, and that this be guided by the Holy Spirit, according to God's will; thus enabling the right leadership team for GCNAC.

**One Life** Please pray for your One Life and look for opportunities to bless them.

**Prayer of the Week (until Ash Wednesday)** Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: give us grace that we may always thankfully receive the benefits of his sacrifice, and also daily endeavour to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# Ministry Matters—With Rev John

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## **10 Days of Prayer– Wrap Up**

A big thank you to all who joined together over the last 10 days to pray for our church, our work and the year ahead. Prayer is so critical to all that we do as a church because it highlights our dependence upon God and our need to see Him in all we do. If you would like to start a prayer small group that would meet more regularly or have any feedback please send me an email or give me a call to discuss.

## **Associate Priest**

Please continue to pray for the Associate Priest Vacancy in the Parish. We have tried to find a part-time priest and have had no success. The feedback we are getting is that with the shortage of clergy, it will be almost impossible to find a part-time person for the role. As a consequence, Parish Council decided at the December meeting that, after careful consideration of the finances, we would need to search for a full-time Associate. We are now refocussing our efforts and your prayers and support would be most appreciated.

## **Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Journey to Easter**

Ash Wednesday is on the 14th of February this year and marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time of 40 days (excluding Sundays) before Easter, where we are invited to intentionally renew our relationship with God through the practices of fasting and prayer. It can be a powerful time of drawing closer to God individually and as a community. I invite you to join us on the journey, starting on Ash Wednesday.

## **Ash Wednesday Service Times**

7:30am Holy Rood

9:30am St James

6:00pm St Matthew's

### **DID YOU KNOW...**

**That by putting your unavailability for March into Elvanto by the 15th of each month, you help us greatly with the Parish Service Rostering.**

**Coordinators, please have your rosters emailed to the office or entered into Elvanto by Tuesday 20th February  
Thank you.**

# Parish Diary

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## **Saturday 10 February 2018**

St Matthew's Street Teams Meeting at St Matthew's from 7am.

Deanery Meeting at Surfers Paradise Anglican Church . 12pm—2.30pm for retired and active clergy and their spouses.

## **Sunday 11 February**

Mother's Union Card Stall at St James today. (Every second Sunday of each month).

## **Monday 12 February**

Monday Morning Bible Study at St Matthew's Church, Room . See page 5.

World Day of Prayer Rehearsal at St Matthew's Church 11am - 2pm.

## **Tuesday 13 February**

Coomera Craft Circle at St Matthew's Church, Room 2 at 9am -12pm and every second Tuesday with the next meeting to be Tuesday 13 March.

## **Tuesday 13 February**

Shrove Tuesday at St James from 6.30pm. Please see page 5 for more details.

## **Saturday 17 February**

Men's Breakfast Holy Rood. See page 5.

Cards and Conversation at St Matthew's Church 1-4pm. Room 1. Contact Caroline.

## **Wednesday 21 February**

Lenten Bible Study "Walking Towards Glory" to be held at Bishop Len & Sandy Eacott's at 7pm. Please see page 5.

## **Thursday 22 February**

Mother's Union Meeting at St James 12-1.30pm.

## **Sunday 25 February**

Parish AGM - 12pm (Noon) at St James. See page 5.

## **Friday 2 March**

World Day of Prayer 10am at St Matthew's. Contact Jean Anderson for more information.

# What's Going On?

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**Beyond the Parish** Giving for the month of February with go to Bush Ministry (Parish of Maranoa).

**NEW The Church History Group** will meet weekly every Friday at St Matthews from the 2/2/18 9am-12pm. If you are interested in joining this group please contact Pauline Fechner 0407 369 903.

# What's Going On?

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**Monday Morning Bible Study** the 6th study on Philippians will commence at 9.15 am Monday, 12th February at St Matthew's. There are books (cost \$1) and sign-up sheets at the back of our three centres and in the Church Office. All welcome to the time of learning and fellowship. Lurline Campbell 0412 277 737 or 55 800 692.

**Shrove Tuesday** There will be a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Evening at St James Church Hall on the 13th February commencing 6 for 6.30pm. Please indicate on the list at St James Church entrance, or for other centres by phoning Lyn or Pat for your attendance. If you would like to assist with catering please indicate—pancakes, crepes, savoury or sweets. Numbers limited to 50. Gold coin donation to go to SPACC. All welcome. Enquiries to Lyn Martin 5537 2024 or Pat Grant 0412 730 979.

**Men's Breakfast Holy Rood 17 Feb 2018.** Our guest speaker will be Mark Sweeney. who was introduced to Jim Relph by Stuart Gramenz. Stuart is a member of the Order of St Luke and Stuart has brought thousands of people in India, Africa and Australia to faith in our Lord through his healing ministry. When he was a prison Chaplain he met Mark who was spending time in prison and Mark will share his story that through Stuart's ministry he came to full faith in our Lord and how it has greatly impacted his life. All Gold Coast North male parishioners and their guests are invited to attend. Please contact Jim Relph 0414 444 357.

**Lenten Bible Study** "Walking Towards Glory", based on Year B Readings, will be held at the home of +Len and Sandy Eacott commencing at 7pm on Wednesday 21 February. Please advise Bishop Len or Sandy if you wish to participate 0400 408 415 or eacottls@icloud.com

**AGM 12pm Sunday 25th February 2018** at St James. Come celebrate the past year together. Posters are now up at each centre and nomination forms can be found at the welcome desk at every centre also. Nominations for all Parish Council's positions will open Monday 15th January and close 5pm Friday 9th February 2018. If you have any photos of events from our three centres over the last year please send them through to the office, attention Rod. Thank you.

**Call out for AGM Set up Team and volunteers on the day.** The Parish office would love to hear from you if you can help in any way. Your help would be very much appreciated.

**Iberian Adventure 2018"** Now is the time to plan for and book your 22 day private coach tour of Spain and Portugal touring with Bishop Len and Sandy Eacott from 29 August to 19 September. Please contact Bishop Len on 0400 408415 for further information and for a copy of the detailed itinerary and Booking Form. Or, contact Canterbury Tours (07) 33459423, [info@canterburytours.net](mailto:info@canterburytours.net) Canterbury Tours advise that to secure a place on the tour, a deposit is needed by 31 March!

# Group Gatherings.....

GROUP FACILITATOR AND CONTACT	VENUE/LOCALITY	DAY/TIME
John Dougherty	Young Adult's Bible Study St Matthew's Church	Each Sunday 7-8.30pm
Pat & Barry Schmidt 5529 3802	Home Study Group Biggera Waters	Mondays 6.55pm
Lurline Campbell 0412 277 737	Bible Study St Matthew's Church	Mondays 9.15am
Annette Schneider 0448092730	Coomera Craft Circle St Matthew's Church Upper Coomera	Tuesdays each Fortnight 9am—12noon
Pam Wain 5501 5302	Home Study Group Hollywell	Tuesdays 10.00-11.30am
Rod & Lesley Dunlop 5668 5717	Home Study Group Coomera Waters	Tuesdays 7.00-9.00pm
Ruth Bradley 0452 511 321	Home Study Group Upper Coomera	Tuesdays 7.30pm
Len & Sandy Eacott 0400 408 415	Lenten Bible Study	Commencing Wednesday 21st February
Ian Boniface 0414 279 088	Prayer Meeting St Matthew's Church Upper Coomera	Thursdays 6.00-6.45am
Pat Grant 0412 730 979 George Osborne 5577 3738	Home Study Group Biggera Waters	Thursdays 7.00-9.00pm
Glenda Murrell 0405 470 528	Mainly Music Holy Rood Family Centre	Thursdays 9.15am
Bev & Ian Huguenin 5573 6211	PATSIMAC—Prayer for Aboriginal & TSI Ministry & concerns. Helensvale	2nd Thursday monthly 1.30-2.30pm
Pat Grant 0412 730 979	Social Craft Group St James Church Hall	Fridays 9.30am—12noon
Lyn Martin 5537 2024	Ladies' Prayer Group Biggera Waters	1st Saturday of month 8.00am
Gail Beattie 5563 7170	Cursillista's Group St James Church Hall Biggera Waters	Last Sunday monthly (after 9.00am service)



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# Service Times

St James Anglican Church, 41 Brighton Street, Biggera Waters

Sunday 7.30am & 9:00am with Kids Church

Wednesday 9.30am

Friday Evening Prayer 5:30pm

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

Sunday 8am

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

Sunday 10.00am (Kids Church/Sunday School)

Sunday 5.30pm (Sunday Night Life)

## Contact Details

### Priests

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Rev Canon Gary Smith (0407 141 468)

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Rev Mary-Anne Rulfs (0403 049 124)

### Deacons and 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)

### Parish Office

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### Parish Administrator

Rod Mengel (0437 393 211)

Email: Rod@goldcoastnorth.org.au

**Hospital Care Coordinator** Barry Schmidt 0420 811 080 or Pat Schmidt 0487 769 014

*For further contact details of ministries and ministers within Gold Coast North Anglican Church please refer to*

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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

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# Worship with us today....

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## Transfiguration

### SENTENCE

It is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. *2 Corinthians 4.6*

### COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



## TODAY'S READINGS

### Transfiguration Year B

2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalm 50:1-6

2 Corinthians 4: 3-12

Mark 9: 2-9

## Next Sunday's Readings:

### First Sunday in Lent Year B

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

*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.*