

The Parish Church of
St James' King Street
Sunday 28th January 2024

S^T. JAMES'
Bicentenary 2019-2024

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

8:00am Holy Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd John Stewart

10:00am Choral Eucharist

Prelude: Bach — *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele*, BWV 654

Hymns: 334, 64, 116, 368

Psalm: 111 (Chant - Hanforth)

Preacher: The Rev'd John Stewart

Setting: Byrd — *Mass for Five Voices*

Motet: Twist — *How shall we sing*

Voluntary: Bach — *Prelude and Fugue in C*, BWV 545

Choir: The Choir of St James'

Please note that next Sunday the Services times are as follows:

Sunday 4th February

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

8:00am Holy Eucharist

9:30am Sung Eucharist

11:00am Choral Eucharist

4:00pm Choral Evensong

As Sydney's oldest church, St James' is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching and fine music. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity or religion. We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship - the Gadigal of the Eora Nation.

Propers for The Eucharist

Invitation to Confession

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.

Collect of the Day

God of compassion,
you have shown us in Christ
that your love is never ending:
enable us both to love you with all our heart
and to love one another as Christ loved us.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

A reading from the book Deuteronomy

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: ‘If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.’ Then the Lord replied to me: ‘They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.’

For the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

The psalm is recited antiphonally, a long pause being observed at the colon

O praise the Lord. I will praise the Lord with my whole heart :
in the company of the upright and among the congregation.

**The works of the Lord are great :
and studied by all who take delight in them.**

His deeds are majestic and glorious :
and his righteousness stands for ever.

**His marvellous acts have won him a name to be remembered :
the Lord is gracious and merciful.**

He gives food to those that fear him :
he remembers his covenant for ever.

**He showed his people the power of his acts :
in giving them the heritage of the heathen.**

The works of his hands are faithful and just :
and all his commandments are sure;

**They stand firm for ever and ever :
they are done in faithfulness and in truth.**

He sent redemption to his people, he ordained his covenant for ever :
holy is his name and worthy to be feared.

**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,
and of good understanding are those that keep his
commandments :**

his praise shall endure for ever.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 8: 1-13

A reading from the First Epistle of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that ‘all of us possess knowledge.’ Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that ‘no idol in the world really exists’, and that ‘there is no God but one.’ Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ‘Food will not bring us close to God.’ We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling-block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

For the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light:
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. Alleluia!

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Gospel Reading

Mark 1.21 - 28

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St Mark

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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 you always. **Amen.**

Please Pray for:

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

The sick – Immediate: Ian McKenzie, Walter Sutcliffe, David Cheetham, Cheryl, Elizabeth Bloomfield., Clare Corbould, Brian Hivon, David Olsen, Alison Sharpe, Robert Bevan, Fr Max Wood, Raphael Clark.

The sick - Long-term: Nicholle Noble, Graham Smith, Mthr Elaine Farmer, Carole Harvey-Rudd, Anthea Gedge, Quincy Mugabi, Richard, Helen, Rachel, Julie Sheppard, Lynette Skeoch, The Rev'd Ivan Head, Joyce Smith, Moreton & Frances Rolfe, Kevin Stapleton, Katrina Monley, Fay Skuthorpe, Liam, Geoffrey Whitehead, Faith Whitehead, Danielle Geddes, Joy Christian, Enid and Brian, Cameron Kimber, Ali Crawford, Sr Jeanette Fox, Katie Richardson, Colin Dunstan, Ruth Jones, Ann Ryan, Colin Middleton, Annette Savage, Lindsay Beresford, Elliott, Barry, Bp John Parkes, Robyn Hobbs, Joyce Smith, Barbara Joan Rothery, Bp Andrew St John, Monsignor James Cronin, Steven Bell, Elizabeth Farry, Kathryn James, Anahera Chessum, Kellie Wilson, The Rev'd Paul Cooper, Bernice Lee, Nick De Brett, Jivan Harito, James Ridley, Euan Black, Nellie Smith, Ann Bratt, Megan Nelson, Marian Pilone, Helen Ashley, Fiona Hawke, Barry Shepherd, Billie Brace, Sebastiana Ilardo, Bec.

In need: Nicholas Lee.

The recently departed: Timothy Ironside, Robert Clifton-Bligh, Warwick Bradney, Diane Richard-Evan, John Pollard.

Those whose year's mind falls at this time: Joyce Ord, Clarence Edmund Latham, Frederick George Jackson, Michael Errington, Allan Shellshear, Amy Vivienne Cable, Allan McNeill Cornish, Ronald John Shepherd, Eileen Rose Stephenson, Betty Isabel Edwards, Angus Duncan MacRae Graham, Anna Katherine Courtice Donald, Rupert Peter Clifton-Bligh, Michael Joseph Hobbs, Ian Bridge, Graeme Shakespeare, Pauline Thomas, Elizabeth Ryan, Douglas Herbert Greenaway, Roy Arthur Wotton, *priest*, Anne Margaret Simpson, Sinclair Ross.

Please note that names of the sick will remain on the 'Immediate' list for one month only.

If there is a need for a name to remain longer, please ask for it to be placed on the 'Long Term' list. All requests must be made to Dianne Ward or Jonathan Elcock, the Office Administrators, at office@sjks.org.au or 8227 1300.

Notices and upcoming events

Organ Construction Update

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this busy period of construction. All three shipping containers arrived safely and work has progressed at an astonishing pace during the past week. The organ blowers, windchests, pipe enclosures, façade framework, the organ console and many, many pipes have been installed. We offer our huge thanks and congratulations to the entire Dobson crew and all those assisting them who have worked so incredibly hard over these past few weeks. Some of the Dobson crew returned home to Lake City, Iowa, yesterday, and some new members of the team have arrived to take their places and the work continues in the coming weeks. A new video about the organ has been produced and published to our parish YouTube channel. It has been seen by over 7,000 people across the world in a little over a week. For further information please visit sjks.org.au/organ-project-gallery/ or the St James' Facebook page. To support this project financially please visit stjamesfoundationorganappeal.com.au/donate-now

Weekday Lunchtime Services

Our weekday lunchtime Eucharists will be held in the Children's Chapel for all of January and most of February.

Opening of the Legal Year

Tomorrow, 29th January at 10:30am we will host the annual service to mark the commencement of the Legal Year. The Chief Justice will be in attendance and the preacher will be Archbishop Kanishka Raffel. All welcome to attend, but please note that space will be limited owing to the building works.

Services from February 2024

We will resume our pattern of three Sunday morning services from February. On the first Sunday of each month there will be a Sung Eucharist at 9:30am and Choral Evensong at 4pm. The new service pattern will be as follows:

8:00am Holy Eucharist

9:30am Sung Eucharist *on the first Sunday of the month*

9:30am Choral Matins *for the remainder of the month*

11:00am Choral Eucharist

4:00pm Choral Evensong *on the first Sunday of the month.*

St James' Connections

The February/March edition of St James' Connections will be published next week and copies will be available for collection from church next Sunday or online via sjks.org.au.

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Morning Tea Volunteers Needed

We are planning to serve Morning Tea in the Crypt after the 9.30am Sung Eucharist on the first Sunday of every month, beginning in February this year. A roster is being prepared, and the aim is that each individual will be rostered on for only two Sundays per year. We would love to have new members join our team. If you can help, please contact Sue Mackenzie at semack53@gmail.com or ring her on 0404 070 737. If you can assist with Refreshments after the 11am services, please contact Christopher Telford.

Tuesday Dinner at Sky Phoenix

You are invited to join the St James' Tuesday Night Dinner at the Sky Phoenix Restaurant in Westfield City. The dinner allows people to share fellowship together and get to know each other. The next dinner will be on Tuesday 6th February at 6.30pm. Please RSVP to Ross Hindmarsh 0414 660 839 or ross@hindmarshsydney.com.au

Wednesday Choral Evensong

Our regular mid-week service of Choral Evensong will resume during Lent. On Ash Wednesday in place of Evensong there will be a Choral Eucharist. Choral Evensong resumes 6:15pm from Wednesday 21st February.

Appointment of the Director of the St James' Institute

We are pleased to announce that Dr Paul Oslington has been appointed as the new Director of the St James' Institute. Paul will be commissioned at the 9:30am service next Sunday 4th February. Paul is Professor of Economics and Theology at Alphacrucis University College in Sydney. He holds MEc(hons) and PhD from University of Sydney and BD and DTheol degrees from the University of Divinity and has published books and journal articles on topics including economics, theology, business ethics and intellectual history. His current major research project is a book commissioned by Harvard University Press on the history of economic thinking in the Christian tradition.

What Does the Bible say about Economics?

The 2024 St James' Institute programme begins with a seminar presented by our new Director, Dr Paul Oslington. Join us next Sunday 4th February from 2pm until 3:30pm, St James' Hall for a seminar on 'What does the Bible say about Economics?' Tickets \$25, free for SJI subscribers. 2024 subscription renewals can be made in person on the day. Book online at sjks.org.au/institute. Choral Evensong follows at 4pm in St James' Church, the seminar will finish in sufficient time to attend the service.

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St James' Bicentenary

The 200th anniversary of the consecration of St James' will be celebrated on Sunday 11th February this year. Our focus at the 8am Eucharist that day will be to give thanks for the ministry and witness of this parish over the past 200 years and to pray that God would strengthen and equip us for the future. The music, prayers and reflections chosen for Matins that day will reflect those used in 1824 and 1924 while the music and prayers at 11am will focus on the present day and the future of our parish. Her Excellency the Governor will be our guest at the 11am service. We will still be worshipping in a truncated nave, since the building work to the organ will continue into Lent. Everyone is welcome to join us as we celebrate this significant milestone in the history of our parish.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Night

St Laurence House is delighted to host the 2024 annual Shrove Tuesday pancake night to be held from 6:30pm to 8:30pm on Tuesday 13th February at Christ Church St Laurence. Tickets are \$25 (\$20 for pensioners and students) with funds raised going to support the work of St Laurence House. Book your tickets at stlaurencehouse.org.au/whats-happening.

Ash Wednesday

Lent begins on Wednesday 14th February. Our Ash Wednesday services will be as follows:

7:30am Holy Eucharist

12:30pm Lunchtime Eucharist

6:30pm Choral Eucharist

Our preacher in the evening will be the Rev'd Canon Bob Derrenbacker, Dean of the Theological School at Trinity College, Melbourne. Please return your palm cross from last year so we can prepare the ash.

Trinity in Sydney

The Rev'd Canon Bob Derrenbacker will be in Sydney to present a three-day intensive on 1 Corinthians. Paul's letter, originally written to a divided church in Corinth, has much to say to the contemporary Church, particularly as it tries to express a common vision as it lives with difference and diversity.

Through a close reading of the letter, attention will be paid to St Paul's strategy for the letter, as well as the socio-economic and theological backgrounds of the Corinthian readers. The studies are offered in two short intensives, 15th to 17th February and 29th February to 2nd March 2024.

Members of the St James Institute can audit the class at the discounted rate off \$400. To enquiry or enrol please contact Trinity College directly:

tcts@trinity.edu.au

or call (03) 8341 0275.

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Lent Studies - God's Own Country

This year we'll be using new materials prepared and produced by the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) for our Lent studies. In this series, First Nations leaders and clergy from the Anglican Church, generously offer theological insights and personal reflections that help us to hear the voice of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of faith. Based on the Seven Days of Creation and with stunningly beautiful paintings by the Rev'd Aunty Robyn Davis, 'God's Own Country' is an essential, life-giving and challenging study. Copies of the study book are due to arrive in the coming week and will be available from next Sunday.

Our Lent groups will meet for six weeks commencing in the week of Monday 19th February.

Mondays 10am at Chatswood

with Gail Ball and Fr John Stewart.

Tuesdays 11am at Bowden Bray,

with Sue Mackenzie.

Tuesdays 1pm, St James' Hall

with Dr Paul Oslington

Wednesdays 7:15pm, St James' Hall

with the Rector.

And an online group will be meeting via Zoom hosted by Libby Hindmarsh.

We ask for a donation of \$12 towards the cost of the booklet.

Please register at:

events.humanitix.com/sjks-lent

The SJKS Myanmar Roadshow

On Sunday 25th February from 12:30pm in St James' Hall, AID (Anglicans in Development, the community development arm of the Anglican Board of Mission) and St James' King Street will host a special lunch and talk about Myanmar. Enjoy a light lunch of authentic Myanmar food with wine or juice. Hear first-hand stories from AMB pilgrims to Myanmar in 2020 and about the current situation there. The event is free to attend. All food and beverages have been donated. All donations received will go directly to the Myanmar Emergency Appeal. Please register by the 19th February. Visit events.humanitix.com/the-sjks-myanmar-roadshow or use the QR code provided. You can also register by calling the Parish Office on 8227 1300. For further information please contact Tony Naake 0418 252 069. An article about the Myanmar Roadshow will be published in the upcoming February/March edition of St James' Connections.



Forward Planning - Easter Dates

Please note that Easter is early this year. Palm Sunday falls on the 24th March, Good Friday on the 29th March, Easter Day on Sunday 31st March.



Join renowned faculty from Trinity College Theological School, Melbourne,
for intensives at St James' Institute, Sydney

Suitable for clergy and laity, for credit or audit

1 Corinthians

Taught by the Revd Canon
Dr Bob Derrenbacker

15–17 Feb
AND
29 Feb–2 Mar 2024

Handling texts of terror

Taught by the Revd
Dr Fergus King

13–15 Jun
AND
4–6 Jul 2024

Faith, work and economics

Taught by
Dr Paul Oslington
& Kara Martin

17–18 Oct
AND
31 Oct–1 Nov 2024

For more details, visit trinity.edu.au/intensives



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This Week at St James' King Street

29th January - 4th February 2024

Monday 29th January

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
10:30am Law Term Service
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Tuesday 30th January

Charles I, king and martyr (d. 1649)

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Wednesday 31st January

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

NB: During January the weekday
Lunchtime Eucharists will be held in the
Children's Chapel downstairs.

Thursday 1st February

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Friday 2nd February

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30am Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Saturday 3rd February

Blaise, bishop of Sebaste, martyr (d. 316)

Sunday 4th February

**THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST
IN THE TEMPLE**

8:00am Said Eucharist
9:30am Sung Eucharist
11:00am Choral Eucharist
Preacher: The Rev'd Ron Henderson OGS
4.00pm Choral Evensong
Preacher: The Rector

Parish of St. James' King Street

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Church Opening Hours:

Monday to Friday: 10:00am-4:00pm
Saturdays: 8:00am-1:00pm
Sundays: 7:00am-4:00pm
*Please submit all requests for notices by the Wednesday
preceding the service.*

Please consider paying your offering directly into the church account.

The details are: BSB 032 007, A/C 250025, Churchwardens St James' Gen. A/C.

Offering cards are available from the Office if you use direct debit.