

The Anglican Parish of Semaphore Saint Bede's

'Nurturing the Soul of Semaphore'

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Kaurna people and respect their elders past, present & emerging.

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD SUNDAY JANUARY 2

8 am Holy Communion (with Zoom)
9.30 am Holy Communion (with Zoom)
Sharon's Birthday Morning Tea.

Wed January 5, 10 am Holy Communion
(with Zoom) followed by Morning Tea

Zoom Link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/268903229?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/268903229?pwd=Q2srVUtBMWRpSDFDNHdjGFialc3Zz09)
pwd=Q2srVUtBMWRpSDFDNHdjGFialc3Zz09
Meeting ID: 268 903 229 Passcode: 488195



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Eternal God,
in whose sight
a thousand years are like a watch in the night:
guide us now and always,
as you have led us in times past,
that our hearts may learn to choose your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Covid-Safe Practices

- * sign in of use the QR Code for contract tracing
- * stay home if you feel unwell
- * avoid physical contact greetings,
- * use hand sanitiser on entry and exit,
- * wear masks indoors, including when singing.
- * follow the seating plan, (blue for 8 am, cream for 9:30 am)
- * maintain 1.5 m distance throughout the service,
- * avoid touching surfaces,
- * **Capacity with current 1 person/4m² density rule:**
- * 30 people in the main hall
- * 60 people for St Bede's Church
- * 14 people in morning tea room



HAPPY 50th BIRTHDAY Sharon Bushell

THANK YOU

Thank you to Andrew and Ros for continuing to work on repainting the Church.

2022 Planning

Parish Planning Day Saturday January 22, 2022, 10 am —3 pm.

For Parish Councillors and any parishioners interested in attending.

Fire Extinguisher Training Tuesday January 25, 10 am.

Speak to Ruth if interested in attending.

In response to the increasing number of Covid-19 infections in South Australia

- all three regular weekly services (8 am and 9:30 am on Sundays, and 10 am Wednesdays will be available on **zoom**.
- if morning tea is offered it will be served in the church in disposable cups to people seated or even outside only.
- singing may not be allowed at short notice.
- the church may need to be closed at short notice if identified as an exposure site.

First Sunday after Christmas



Thank you!

In a world that often feels divided, you've come together with churches across Australia to stand alongside those uprooted by conflict and disaster. Thank you for standing with Act for Peace's local partners to bring practical care – as well as hope, peace, joy, love and light – to people in urgent need around the world.

By joining together through the Christmas Bowl, you are helping build a world where all people have a safe place to belong. **Thank you.**

CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188

CHRISTMAS CLOSURES

Bede's Bazaar Reopens Monday January 10, 2022

Breakfast @ St Bedes Reopens Tuesday, January 11, 2022.

HYMNS:

I: TIS 291 Earth has many a noble city vv. 3-6
G: TIS 301 The First Noel vv. 2-6
O: TIS 309 Angels from the realms of Glory
C: TIS 319 Child in the Manger
PC: We three kings of orient are ...

SENTENCE:

To all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Jeremiah 1.7b

COLLECT:

Lord God of the nations,
we have seen the star of your glory rising in splendour:
may the brightness of your incarnate Word
pierce the night that covers the earth,
signal the dawn of justice and peace,
and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
in the splendour of eternal light, God for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING: A reading from Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. ² For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³ Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. ⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord
For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 72.1-7, 72.10-14

- ¹ Give the king your judgement, O God:
and your righteousness to the son of a king,
- ² That he may judge your people rightly:
and the poor of the land with equity.
- ³ Let the mountains be laden with peace
because of his righteousness:
and the hills also with prosperity for his people.
- ⁴ May he give justice to the poor among the people:
**and rescue the children of the needy,
and crush the oppressor.**
- ⁵ May he live while the sun endures:
and while the moon gives light,
throughout all generations.
- ⁶ May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields:
and as showers that water the earth.
- ⁷ In his time shall righteousness flourish:
and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.
- ¹⁰ The kings of Tarshish and of the isles
shall bring tribute:
the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.
- ¹¹ All kings shall fall down before him:
and all nations do him service.
- ¹² He will deliver the needy when they cry:
and the poor that have no helper.
- ¹³ He will pity the helpless and the needy:
and save the lives of the poor.
- ¹⁴ He will redeem them from oppression and violence:
and their blood shall be precious in his sight.

SECOND READING: A reading from Ephesians 3:1-12

¹ This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ² for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴ a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵ In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace

that was given to me by the working of his power.⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ,⁹ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things;¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord,¹² in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: Matthew (Chapter 2:1-12).

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹ In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem,² asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.'³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him;⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.⁵ They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." '

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.'⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was.¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

WE THREE KINGS

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star

***Oh, star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light***

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign

Frankincense to offer have I;
incense owns a Deity nigh;
prayer and praising, voices raising,
worshiping God on high.

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume
breathes a life of gathering gloom;
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

Glorious now behold him arise;
King and God and sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
sounds through the earth and skies.



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EPIPHANY

For anyone who wants a bit of glitz and glamour with their Christmas story, today's the day. What must have Mary and Joseph made of their exotic visitors? What we do know about the visitors is that they were overjoyed when the star hovered over the place where the Holy Family was because they knew that they were close to the long-looked-for Jesus. But with all the joy, something unsettling, perhaps even sinister – the Cross foretold in the gift of myrrh, the unguent used for embalming corpses. What would Mary and Joseph have made of that?

- Lord, no matter how far I might have to travel to look for you, or how long I might have to spend to find you, may my heart always be filled with joy because of you.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Kenya.

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CYCLE OF PRAYER

Our World:

For Countries with high Covid 19 infections
Afghanistan, Haiti, Myanmar, Solomon Islands



The Church:

Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo *Primate* Abp Zacharie Masimango
Katanda.

Church Missionary Society: Mark Peterson (Alison).

Diocese of Willochra: Archdeacon for Mission and Youth Engagement:
David McDougall (Andrea); Rural Deans: Yorke.

Diocese of The Murray: The Diocesan Council.

National: Adelaide: Geoffrey Smith (Lynn)

Archbishop Geoff, Bishop Denise, Bishop Tim, Bishop Chris.

St Bede's Mission and Ministry & Rev'd Ruth.

Prayer Requests from ... for

Anne Duncanson

Bev Hayes

Bruce Thorpe

Jennette Hand

Judy Nelson

Kenneth Pretty

Myrine Wilson.

Mandy Garfitt

Kathleen for **Hayley Wilson** and **John Brazil**.

Ann for her sister-in-law **Michelle**.

Jennette for **Nicholas Bilske, Shirley Germain, Sarah**.

Bev for **Jo Clarke**.

Sue Henry Edwards for **Rhodri Bon Callum & Rhiannon Henry Edwards**.

Georgie for **Tom, Tia, Alex & Donna Lee** in Melbourne.

Gwilym for **Owen and Frances Edwards**.

Joyce & Terry for **Gina, Judy, Colin**

Ann for **Ottley**.

Judith M for her sister-in-law's sister **Ros Davies**.

John Pentland for **Matthew Jeffries**

Anne for **Miles**.

Sigrid for **Karen** undergoing chemo for lung cancer

Gwen for **Katrina Fischer**



Faithful Departed: Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu (1931- 2021)

Years Minds: Hubert Kay (3/1), Norma Arbon, Jean Duncanson, Ivy Allan (4/1), Ruby Whitehead (6/1), Constance Brown (7/1), Claire Kay (8/1).

DIARY DATES:

Sun 2 Jan	Epiphany Sunday
Wed 5 Jan	Epiphany Eve 10 am Holy Communion
Sun 9 Jan	Baptism of Jesus Sunday
Mon 10 Jan	Bede's Bazaar reopens
Tues 11 Jan	Breakfast@StBedes resumes
Sun 16 Jan	Epiphany 2
Wed 19 Jan	10 am Holy Communion
Sat 22 Jan	Parish Strategic Planning Day 10-3
Sun 23 Jan	Epiphany 3
Tues 25 Jan	Fire Extinguisher Use Training
Wed 26 Jan	Australia Day 10 am Holy Communion
Sat 5 Feb	Greening the Parish: Anglicans in Conversation St Luke's, 25 Smart Road, Modbury 9 am-11:30 am.

NEXT WEEK READINGS

Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-7
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday & Thursday 9 am—2 pm
Secretary: Fay Warren
0415 364 757

BEDE'S BREAKFAST: Open Tuesdays 8.30—10.00 am

BEDE'S BAZAAR Opening Hours—(Until December 17)

MONDAY—THURSDAY FRIDAY from 10 am - 3 pm
TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY 11 am—3.00 pm
Donations can be left in the back of the church

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