

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.

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD SUNDAY JANUARY 9

8 am Holy Communion (with Zoom)
9.30 am Holy Communion (with Zoom)
Morning Tea TBC

Wed January 12, 10 am Holy Communion
(with Zoom) followed by Morning Tea

Zoom St Bede's Worship Link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/>
Meeting ID: 268 903 229
Passcode: 488195



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Spirit of energy and change,
in whose power Jesus was anointed
to be the hope of the nations:
be poured out also upon us
without reserve or distinction,
that we may have confidence
and strength to implant your justice on the earth;
through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Covid-Safe Practices

- * sign in of use the QR Code for contact 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



THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped take down the Christmas Tress and put away the Christmas decorations in both the Church and the Hall, especially Judith and Greg, Pauline and Michele.

Thank you for your generous donations to Christmas Bowl. \$460.00 has been donated to Christmas Bowl projects by St Bede's Parishioners.

Fire Extinguisher Training Tuesday January 25, 10 am.

Speak to Ruth if interested in attending.

Parish Planning Day Saturday January 29, 2022, 10 am—3 pm.

Apologies for providing incorrect date in the recent pew-sheets.

Please speak to Ruth and Parish Councillors with any ideas that you would like included in the planning for 2022.

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.
- singing may not be allowed at short notice.
- the church may need to be closed at short notice if identified as an exposure site.
- more people will need to be trained to be lay leaders of worship .
Please contact Ruth if interested in this role.
- **Additional Zoom Prayer Times this week**
Morning Prayer Monday at 8:30 am
Morning Prayer Thursday at 8:30 am
Extended Evening Prayer Thursday 8 pm with a focus on the upcoming Sunday Bible Readings..

St Bede's Zoom Link for all Holy Communion & Prayer Services:

St Bede's Worship Link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/268903229?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/268903229?pwd=Q2srVUtBMWRpSDFDNHdjZGFialc3Zz09)

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HYMNS:

I: TIS 465 Father in heaven
G: TIS 418 She sits like a bird
O: TIS 250 Christ, when for us (Tune TIS 129)
C: TIS 417 Loving Spirit (Tune TIS 650)
PC: TIS 447 Lord your almighty Word

SENTENCE:

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' Luke 3.22

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:

Loving God,
your Son came to seek the lost,
and was baptised with sinners: grant that we,
who have been baptised in his name,
may reach out in love to those in need
with the mercy of Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING: A reading from Isaiah 43.1-7

¹ But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

³ For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴ Because you are precious in my sight,
and honoured, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
⁶ I will say to the north, 'Give them up',
and to the south, 'Do not withhold';
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
⁷ everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.'

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29

¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven:
ascribe to the Lord glory and might.
² Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name:
O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness.
³ The voice of the Lord is upon the waters:
**the God of glory thunders,
the Lord upon the great waters.**
⁴ The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation:
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.
⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar-trees:
the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.
⁶ He makes them skip like a calf:
Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox.
⁷ The voice of the Lord divides the lightning-flash:
**the voice of the Lord whirls the sands of the desert,
the Lord whirls the desert of Kadesh.**
⁸ The voice of the Lord rends the terebinth trees,
and strips bare the forests:
in his temple all cry 'Glory.'
⁹ The Lord sits enthroned above the water-flood:
the Lord sits enthroned as a king for ever.
¹⁰ The Lord will give strength to his people:
the Lord will give to his people the blessing of peace.

SECOND READING: A Reading from the book of **Acts 8.14-17**

¹⁴ Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵ The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶ (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷ Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 3.15-22

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying,

‘I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.’

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother’s wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, added to them all by shutting up John in prison.

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven,

‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.’

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of the nations, we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament. Guide us by your presence, that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness, and establish your justice in the earth. Amen

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, remain with you always. Amen.

BEDES BAZAAR will not reopen during January 2022, due to high Covid-19 infections numbers in the community. Please bring any donations to church—Wednesday and Sunday.

BREAKFAST@ST BEDES reopens Tuesday January 11.
FREDS VAN resumes Sunday January 16.

PRAYER by Bishop Philip Huggins

President of the National Council of Churches in Australia

Gracious God,

We give thanks anew for your providence and presence.

We prayerfully seek your grace,
amidst COVID-19 here and overseas.

We pray for those in need of healing.

We pray for your peace with those who are anxious or grieving.

We pray you will continue to strengthen and sustain
all those who are serving in response.

We pray for your Holy Spirit's discernment amidst the many choices and decisions facing our national, community and medical leaders.

We pray we each might see quickly what more we can do to help those who are vulnerable.

This prayer for our nation in the family of nations,
with all that is on our hearts,

we gather now and pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

<https://www.ncca.org.au/prayer/prayer-for-our-troubled-world/>



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BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

In the reading from Luke's gospel today, we see the comparison between the notorious Herod Antipas and Jesus himself. John's criticism of the puppet king leads to prison and eventually death. Jesus, conversely, doesn't meet with earthly condemnation or even earthly approval. Rather, the Holy Spirit appears and the heavenly voice says of him, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased'.

- Lord, may I live my life in such a way that you find yourself well pleased with me, your child.
- Give thanks for, and pray for all who are preparing for baptism this year.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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CYCLE OF PRAYER

Our World:

For Countries with high Covid 19 infections
Afghanistan, Haiti, Hong Kong, Myanmar,



The Church:

Jabalpur *The (united) Church of North India* Abp Prem Chand Singh.

Adelaide: Clergy widows/widowers.

Diocese of Willochra: The Community of SS Barnabas and Cecilia in its

Ministry of Encouragement: Friends of the Community

Diocese of The Murray: Lower Limestone Coast (Millicent & Penola):

Lyndon Sulzberger (Rachele).

National: [N] Bunbury: Ian Coutts (Anne).

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:

Years Minds: Vera Bampton (10/1), Sydney Payne, William Hunter, Dagfinn Tollefsen, Kelvin Kay (11/1), Marie Anderson, Barry Jenner, Jack Raggatt (13/1), Bertha Oswald, Aileen Ibbett, Patricia Thompson, Ian Brown (14/1), Mabel Smith (15/1).

DIARY DATES:

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| Sun 9 Jan | Baptism of Jesus Sunday |
| Tues 11 Jan | Breakfast@StBedes resumes |
| Wed 12 Jan | 10 am Holy Communion 7 pm Covid Response Parish Council Meeting |
| Sun 16 Jan | Epiphany 2 |
| Wed 19 Jan | 10 am Holy Communion |
| Sun 23 Jan | Epiphany 3 |
| Tues 25 Jan | 10 am Fire Extinguisher Use Training |
| Wed 26 Jan | Australia Day 10 am Holy Communion |
| Sat 29 Jan | Parish Strategic Planning Day 10am -3pm |
| Sat 5 Feb | Greening the Parish: Anglicans in Conversation St Luke's, 25 Smart Road, Modbury 9 am-11:30 am. |
| Sun 13 Feb | 2 pm Guest Speaker Brian Butler <i>Sorry and Beyond: Healing the Stolen Generations</i> |
| Sun 27 Feb | Harvest Festival and ABM Speaker: Meagan Schwarz |
| Wed 2 March | Ash Wednesday |

NEXT WEEK READINGS

Isaiah 60:1-5, Psalm 36:5-10
1 Corinthians:12:1-11,
John 2:1-11

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—CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO COVID-19 CONCERNS.

Donations may be received at 10 am Tuesday (hall),
11 am Wednesday (church), 11 am Sunday (church)

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How to give to the mission and ministry of St Bede's Church -

- Envelopes and/or cash in the Donation Box provided.
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