

## DIARY DATES:

Sun 8-13 May	Ruth at General Synod
Sun 15 May	History Month Church Tours
Tues 17 May	10:30 am Breakfast@StBede's Management Committee
Wed 18 May	Volunteer Lunch in Volunteer Week 7 pm Parish Council
Sun 22 May	Patronal Festival—Bishop Denise Visit
Thurs 26 May	10.30 am Semaphore Residential Care Ascension Day
Sun 29 May	2.00 pm Reconciliation Week Afternoon Tea Guest Speaker Brian Butler "Sorry & Beyond"
Sun 5th June	9.30 am Pentecost Sunday Combined Service

## NEXT WEEK READINGS

Acts 11:1-18  
Psalm 148  
Revelations 21:1-6  
John 13:31-35

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday & Thursday 9 am—2 pm

Secretary: Fay Warren  
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**BEDE'S BREAKFAST:** Open Tuesdays 8.30—10.00 am

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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.
- Direct Credit: BSB 705-077 Account Number 00040467  
Please include your name and "donation" or "giving"
- Direct Debit, please collect form from Welcomers Table

## 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.

## EASTER 4 MAY 8

**8 am Holy Communion**  
**9.30 am Holy Communion**  
followed by Morning Tea in the hall

**Wed May 11,**  
**10 am Holy Communion**  
followed by Morning Tea

**Please note:** No Zoom for services this week

**Happy Mother's Day**



## Prayer of the Week

God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
the great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the everlasting covenant:  
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,  
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Several Covid-Restrictions were lifted on Good Friday.

- \*It is now no longer necessary to check in by QR code or sign in.
- \*It is now no longer mandatory to wear masks even for singing, however you are welcome to continuing doing so.

## Continuing Covid-Restrictions include

- \*Staying at home with any flu or Covid-19 symptoms.
- \*Maintaining a 1.5 m distance from each other.
- \*Using hand sanitizer on entry and exit.
- \*Refraining from physical greetings on arrival and at the greeting of peace.



## THANK YOU

Thank you to the Rev'd Gwilym Henry-Edwards for being the celebrant and preacher this Sunday and Wednesday.

Thank you to the wardens - Fay and Dorothy - for being the people to contact if there is a pastoral emergency while Ruth is away at General Synod.

Thank you to Karen for agreeing to send out the weekly email with the pewsheets attachments on Thursdays.  
If you would like to receive the pew-sheet by email, please contact Karen karenfagan63@gmail.com.

The Adelaide Male Voice Choir and South Australian Maritime Museum present a concert of "rollicking times, tales of misadventure forces of the wind and sea." At the Museum in Lipson Street, Port Adelaide, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7 pm. Adults \$25, Concession \$20, Child \$10.  
Book online [historyfestival.sa.gov.au/4196](http://historyfestival.sa.gov.au/4196) or try via TryBookings

## HISTORY MONTH CHURCH TOURS - Sunday May 15

Saturday 14 May 9:30 am - working bee to tidy the church and set up history displays.

Sunday 15 May 11 am - 3 pm - church open for visitors, with tours at 12, 1 pm and 2 pm.

Please come and bring along family, friends, and neighbours - or to help welcome people into the church space.

## PATRONAL FESTIVAL - Sunday May 22

Bishop Denise will be the celebrant and preacher at both the 8 am and 9:30 am, followed by morning tea in the church hall. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet at the back if you will bring food and what that is.

## RECONCILIATION WEEK AFTERNOON TEA - Sunday May 29, 2 pm.

Mr Brian Butler, one of the "boys from St Francis House" will be the guest speaker on the topic of his book *Sorry and Beyond: Healing the Stolen Generations*. He will be introduced by Terry Hemmings and thanked by Bishop Chris McLeod.

\$10 Donation - half to the parish, half to the cause of Mr Butler's choice. Please register interest on the sign-up sheet or on eventbrite.

## CHORAL EVENSONG - CELEBRATION OF CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY MAY 15, 6 pm St Peter's Cathedral

## VOLUNTEER WEEK LUNCH - Wednesday May 18 12 noon.

If you can assist with this thank you lunch for our community volunteers in the Op Shop, at Tuesday Breakfast and involved with Maintenance please speak to the wardens.

## CYCLE OF PRAYER

### Our World:

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



### The Church:

Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda *Primate* Abp Laurent Mbanda.

Archdeaconry of The Para: Sam Goodes (Kate).

Diocese of Willochra: The Community of SS Barnabas and Cecilia in its  
Ministry of Encouragement: (the Rev'd Sister Sandra, Sisters Sue, Riccarda, Bev, Pauline, Cheryl, Katherine, Susan).

Diocese of The Murray: Lower Limestone Coast (Millicent & Penola): Lyndon Sulzberger (Rachele).

National: 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

Ros DeGaris

Bev Hayes

Jennette Hand

Judy Nelson

Kenneth Pretty

Myrine Wilson.

Mandy Garfitt

Colin Lehmann

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

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

Jennette for **Nicholas Bilske, Sarah**.

Bev for **Jo Clarke**.

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

**Hans van der Vegt, Margaret Madigan**.

Georgie for **Tom, Tia, Alex & Donna Lee**

Ann for **Ottley**.

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

Sigrid for **Karen**

Gwen for **Katrina Fischer**

Rosemary for her daughters **Kathryn** and **Paula**

Alan and Deborah for **Iris** (Alan's mother)

Terry and Joyce Hemmings for **Helga, Judy, Colin**

Raelene for **Cheryl**—terminal



**Years Minds:** Gavin Martin (8/5), Constance Haines, Alfred Vincent, Ray Whitehead (10/5), William Maitland (11/5), Helen Singleton, Elizabeth Munday, Gabriel Sanderson (12/5), Ronald Maher, Frederick Heffernan (13/5), Nancy Paterson (14/5).

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING deferred to MAY 18, 7 pm.**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY JUNE 5** - Combined Service at 9:30 am  
Followed by farewell in the church.  
Car pooling recommended as it is a Semaphore Market Day.

**GENERAL SYNOD MEETS** on the Gold Coast Sunday 8 May - Friday 13 May.

*Please pray with General Synod*

At 9 am each day there will be bible reflections on the Morning Prayer readings from 1 Corinthians presented by a mix of General Synod members.

Monday: 1 Cor 3:18-4:5 (Ruth Mathieson, Adelaide, clergy)

Tuesday 1 Cor 4:6-21 (Michael Tong, Northern Territory, lay)

Wednesday: 1 Cor 5 (Di Rayson, Newcastle, lay)

Thursday: 1 Cor 6:1-11 (Lynda Johnson, Brisbane, clergy)

Friday: 1 Cor 6:12-20 (Darryl Cotton, Bunbury, clergy)

Breakfast@Bede's helpful items to donate are long life milk, sugar and tinned soup, baked beans, cereals (Just Right, Rice Bubbles and Corn Flakes).



## EASTER 4

Today is often known as Good Shepherd Sunday because of the Gospel reading. In some parts of the Church it is also known as Vocations Sunday, where people think about their own vocation, and how they might support others', particularly in terms of the Church's ordained ministry. If I were to examine myself, would I find areas of my life where I had felt God's call and responded to it? Have I helped others to discern their vocation and respond?

- Help me to hear your call, Good Shepherd, that I might do what you would have me do. Help me to encourage others on their journey towards the Church, whether to become priests, or members of religious communities, or as faithful lay people. May your sheep hear and heed your voice, O Lord.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, remembering especially today the staff and students at Newton Theological College in Popondetta.

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## HYMNS:

I: 145 The King of Love my Sheperd is

G: 638 O Christ, the healer

O: The Summons

C 10 The Lord's my Shepherd

PC: 420 Holy Spirit, go before us.

## SENTENCE:

The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Revelation 7.17

## COLLECT:

Gracious God,  
you sent Jesus, the good shepherd,  
to gather us together:  
may we not wander from his flock,  
but follow wherever he leads us,  
listening for his voice and staying near him,  
until we are safely in your fold,  
to live with you for ever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING:** A reading from Acts 9:36-43

<sup>36</sup> Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup> At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup> Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.'

<sup>39</sup> So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup> He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup> This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

<sup>43</sup> Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

**PSALM: 23**

- <sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd:  
**therefore can I lack nothing.**
- <sup>2</sup> He will make me lie down in green pastures:  
**and lead me beside still waters.**
- <sup>3</sup> He will refresh my soul:  
**and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.**
- <sup>4</sup> Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil:  
**for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.**
- <sup>5</sup> You spread a table before me  
in the face of those who trouble me:  
**you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup shall be full.**
- <sup>6</sup> Surely your goodness and loving-kindness  
will follow me all the days of my life:  
**and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

**SECOND READING:** A reading from the book of Revelation 7:9-17

- <sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' <sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, <sup>12</sup> singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'
- <sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' <sup>14</sup> I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'
- For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL:** John (Chapter 10:22-30)

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>22</sup> At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> The Father and I are one.'

For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

**HYMN:** The Summons

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

By John L. Bell & Graham Maule