# **Greenock Lutheran Parish Bulletin**



St. Peter's Greenock (GR) Nain Lutheran Church (N) St. Michael's Gnadenfrei, Marananga (M)

# Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

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True freedom is found in obedience to Christ.

Welcome! We pray that you are blessed through the hearing of God's Word and His assurance of sins forgiven. May our lives respond in praise and thanksgiving.

# This Sunday's Services:

9.00am Nain HC - with Pastor Graeme Jenke

Gnadenfrei Marananga Lay Reading with Helen Carter

10.30am St Peter's Greenock HC - with Pastor Graham Jenke

## Opening:

Jesus said: 'I tell you the truth,

you will all see heaven open

and the angels of God going up and down on the Son of Man,

the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth.' (John 1:51 NLT)

Psalm: 139:1-6 (NLT)

O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me.

You know when I sit down or stand up.

You know my thoughts even when I'm far away.

You see me when I travel and when I rest at home.

You know everything I do.

You know what I am going to say even before I say it, Lord.

You go before me and follow me.

You place your hand of blessing on my head.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,

too great for me to understand!

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forevermore. Amen.

## Prayer of the Day:

Let us pray that we follow Jesus.

Jesus Christ, Son of God, we thank you for calling us to be your disciples. Open our eyes to recognise you as the promised Messiah and draw us to follow you wherever you lead. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Readings:

- 1 Samuel 3:1-6 The Lord reveals himself to Samuel.
- 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit
- 1 John 43-51 We have found the Messiah

## Offering Prayer:

Thank you, Lord, for shining on us with the brightness of your presence. Lead us always to worship Christ our king, and to reflect your light to others by lives of loving service. Amen.

#### Parish Prayer Points:

Pastor Graham Jenke and Faye, Helen Carter – LR: Marananga John and Yvonne Pfeiffer (M); Brett and Kirsty Seabrook and Family (G); Terry and Allison Linke (N)

Those who are experiencing health challenges, seeking strength and peace, or mourning the death of a loved one.

# Next Sunday: 21<sup>st</sup> January (Green) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

9.00am St Peter's Greenock - with Pastor Ken Pfitzner

Nain - Lay Reading

10.30am Gnadenfrei Marananga - with Pastor Ken Pfitzner

\*\*Please refer to this Bulletin to confirm Sunday service times.\*\*

Bible Readings: Psalm 62:5-12

Jonah 3:1-5,10 The city of Nineveh repents.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Living in the last times.

Mark 1-14-20 Repent, and believe the good news.

# St Peter's Greenock Rosters 21st January

**Flowers** - Karyn Materne **Cleaning** – Heather Slade and Heather Obst

**Readings** – John Kalleske **Welcoming/Attendance** – Lorraine and John Kalleske

Music – Heather Obst and Megan Klose PowerPoint – Lyn Waldhuter

**Sound** – Henry Barkley **Stewards** – Rhys Werner and Troy Kalleske

#### **Take Note:**

# > Pastor Eugene's Annual Leave

Pastor Eugene will be on annual leave from 1<sup>st</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January. Our parish will be blessed by having visiting pastors leading worship during that time. If a pastoral emergency comes up, please contact someone on leadership in your congregation. Contact details are on the last page of this Bulletin.

# > St. Peter's Members and Friends Directory - 2024 version

Troy Kalleske emailed most members and friends of St. Peter's a copy of the 2023 Directory on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January, as the St. Peter's Leadership Team is updating its contents. Please liaise directly with Troy to ensure any changes are submitted by **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>**, **January**.

> Alternatively, some hard copies are available in the Chat Room for those individuals who do not have an email account.

# > St. Peter's "Thanksgiving Service"

On **Sunday**, **4**<sup>th</sup> **February**, St. Peter's will be holding our annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service, but with a focus on "being thankful for all things". Food donations are being sought to assist Lutheran Care, Barossa, and a list of needed food items will be made available soon.

- > Setting up will occur on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 4:00pm. More info to come.
- Advance Notice 2024 Greenock Lutheran Parish Annual General Meeting This will be held on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> February, commencing 7:00pm, in St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Greenock. All welcome and more details to come.
- > NOTE: Congregational AGMs will be held during March. Stay tuned for more info.

# > Latest LCA e-News

Press Ctrl & click on this link http://lcaenews.online/231212

# Notes On The Readings:

**1 Samuel 3:1-10:** The young boy Samuel, born in answer to prayer to aged Hannah and Elkanah, was given back to God by his mother to serve in the temple at Shiloh. Sleeping there one night, the little boy was called by God three times during the night. Thinking it was the priest Eli who called, Samuel wakened him on each occasion. Eli eventually instructed him to answer, 'Speak Lord, your servant hears'. Samuel obeyed, and God told him many things which would happen in Israel.

1 Corinthians 6:12-20: Before hearing and believing the gospel, the Corinthian Christians had engaged in sexual immorality as part of their heathen religious worship. Some were still finding it hard not to be involved in sexual perversion. They knew that Christ had died for their sins to set them free from death. They thought they were free, however, to do what they pleased. St Paul here defines a very clear-cut teaching of how a Christian sees his/her body. Having been redeemed from sin, the body belongs to God.

John 1:43-51: Just after John the Baptist had pointed to Jesus as the Lamb of God, that is the Messiah, Jesus went the next day to Galilee. Jesus convinced Philip of Jesus' messiahship. Philip brought Nathanael to Jesus. Jesus convinced and called Nathanael also. Jesus' knowledge of Nathanael's inner spiritual life authenticated Jesus' divine sonship in Nathanael's mind.

# **Parish Contact Details:**

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Please send Bulletin info to Nola and Parish Email by Wednesday 5pm.

# **Greenock Lutheran Parish**Our Culture, Leadership and Governance are Childsafe.

Child safety is embedded in the culture, leadership and governance of our Parish. Our Parish prioritises the safety and wellbeing of children and demonstrates this through all levels of its leadership. Our Parish has no tolerance for child abuse in any form.