

# Greenock Lutheran Parish Bulletin



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

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024**  
**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

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*Without a  
heart  
aflake for  
God, we  
cannot shine  
for Jesus.*

Welcome! God bless you through the good news of Jesus' resurrection and the gift of new life. May our lives respond in praise and thanksgiving.

## This Sunday's Services:

9.00am Nain HC - with Pastor Eugene Minge  
Gnadenfrei Marananga - Lay Reading with Helen Carter  
10.30am St Peter's Greenock HC - with Pastor Eugene Minge

### Opening:

Lord, to whom shall we go?

**You have the words of eternal life.** (*John 6:68 NIV*)

Psalm 84: 1-3,10-12 (NLT)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of Heaven's Armies.

**I long, yes, I faint with longing to enter the courts of the Lord.**

With my whole being, body and soul,

**I will shout joyfully to the living God.**

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow builds her nest and raises her young at a place near your altar,

**O Lord of Heaven's Armies, my King and my God!**

A single day in your courts is better than a thousand anywhere else!

**I would rather be a gatekeeper in the house of my God than live the good life in the homes of the wicked.**

For the Lord God is our sun and our shield.

**He gives us grace and glory.**

The Lord will withhold no good thing from those who do what is right.

**O Lord of Heaven's Armies, what joy for those who trust in you.**

**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:

**Almighty and eternal God, grow us in faith, hope, and love and help us to love what you command, so that we may receive everything you promise. We ask this through your Son Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Bible Readings:

1 Kings 8:1,22-30; 41-43 Solomon's prayer for dedication of the temple.

Ephesians 6:10-20 Put on God's armour.

John 6: 56-69 Jesus has the words of eternal life.

Message Theme & Text: 'The Words of Life' (*John 6:56-69*)

Offering Prayer:

**Thank you, loving God, for the gift of eternal life through your Son Jesus. Strengthen our faith in him. Protect us through your love in Christ and help us to show your love to others. Amen.**

Parish Prayer Points:

Helen Carter (LR –Marananga)

Geoff and Margaret Koch (M); Fiona, Damon Hughes and family (G);

Graeme and Trish Seymon (N)

James, Roxie, John, Peter, Ruth, Rachel and Ben Quast who are being welcomed into membership at St Peter's on Sunday morning.

The families and friends of Archie Schwartz and Gary Pilmore who were laid to rest this week as they mourn their passing.

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

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| <p><b>Next Sunday:</b> 1<sup>st</sup> September – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green)<br/>and Father's Day</p> |
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9.00am St Peter's Greenock - with Pastor Eugene Minge

Nain - Lay Reading with Michael Obst

10.30am Gnadenfrei Marananga - with Pastor Eugene Minge

Bible Readings: Psalm 45:1,2,6-9

Song of Solomon 2: 8-13 Springtime love song.

James 1:17-27 Listening and doing.

Mark 7:1-8,14,15,21-23 What makes people unclean.

St Peter's Greenock Rosters 1<sup>st</sup> September

**Flowers** - Angela Bowmer **Cleaning** - Janet Nitschke and Lyn Schmidt

**Welcoming/Attendance** - Greta and John Schild **Readings** - Greta Schild

**Announcements/Kids Chat** - Amy McDonald **Music** - Heather Obst  
**PowerPoint** - Jack Mickan **Sound** - Rhys Werner  
**Stewards** - Ashley Klose and Troy Kalleske

## Take Note:

### ➤ St Peter's Half Yearly Meeting

Please plan to attend this brief meeting after worship on TODAY **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August** for a brief update on what's happening in our congregation and parish.

### ➤ Ordination: Way Forward Framework Discussion

The LCA NZ has released the Ordination Framework to be voted on at our General Convention in October. The Framework summary is attached to the Bulletin email and printed copies will be available at Sunday's services. You are invited to learn more about and discuss this framework on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August** at 10am and 7.30pm in the St Peter's Chat Room. Please contact Pastor Eugene if you would like a copy of the detailed Framework, or if there is anything you would like to discuss regarding the Framework or ordination in the LCA NZ.

### ➤ Parish Ladies Fellowship

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August** in the St Peter's Chat Room. Please note that we will start at 1.30pm and the Bible study will be on Anna (Luke 2:36-38). We will be doing the birthing kits for PNG at our September meeting. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

### ➤ Confirmation

Continues every Tuesday from 4pm to 4.45pm in the St Peter's Chat Room.

### ➤ Heroes of the Bible

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August** from 7.30pm in the St Peter's Chat Room. This week we will be exploring the stories of Daniel & his friends. All welcome.

### ➤ Marananga Wine Show Public Tasting

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August** from 7pm to 9.30pm at Old Redemption, Peter Lehmann Winery, Tanunda. Tickets available at [HUMANTIX](https://www.humantix.com.au) or Barossa Visitor Centre, Tanunda.

### ➤ Parish Prayer Group

10am on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** at Helen Wendt's and will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month during 2024. All are welcome.

➤ Shoeboxes of love will be packed again in September. We aim to pack around 60 boxes this year. If you would like to contribute, and have not been shopping yet, the items most useful for packing are: soap and face washer, toothbrush, hair brush, comb, beanies, socks and undies, t shirts, shorts and skirts in children's sizes 4 to 12), stickers, coloured pencils, eraser and sharpener, pencil case. Also small toys that will fit in a shoebox including tennis ball, high bounce

balls, skipping rope, yo-yo, cars and farm animals, small musical instruments and small soft toys. Please leave items in the Gnadenfrei hall or contact Jenny Neldner. Monetary donations will also be gratefully received to cover the cost of sending the boxes off. Thank you all very much for your support of this project.

➤ **Greenock Parish Safe Church Coordinator**

Phyllis Vosgerau is the new Greenock Parish Safe Church Coordinator. Please refer any questions regarding Safe Church and Child Safe compliance or training to her. Mobile: 0410 170 314 Email: [phyllis.vosgerau@icloud.com](mailto:phyllis.vosgerau@icloud.com)

➤ **Latest LCA e-News**

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## **Notes On The Readings**

**Ephesians 6:10-20:** Just as the Israelites were surrounded by temptation from neighbouring nations, so Christians are threatened by powerful and real enemies in Satan's spiritual realm and from the surrounding unbelieving world. The weapons of defence, pictured as the various components of a soldier's armour, all stem from God and his gift of salvation: truth, righteousness, the message of the gospel, faith, salvation, and the word of God. Prayers for personal strength and for the successful outreach of the gospel are also of prime importance.

**John 6:56-59:** Eating 'me' (v 57) (*ie* eating and drinking Jesus' 'flesh' and 'blood') denotes a personal union with the one who had come down from the Father and from heaven. Not only the Jews, but also some of the wider group of Jesus' disciples could not believe that, and so drew back from following him. Jesus had foreseen this from the time of his very first miracle. He said that even if some people saw him ascending into heaven they would still not believe. Jesus' question to the disciples, and Peter's solid answer, show how vital trusting faith in Jesus' exclusive teaching of eternal life is to being saved.

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

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### **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.