The First Sunday in Lent 18th February 2024

8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am St Andrew's School Staff & Board service



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St Andrew's Church WALKERVILLE

St Andrew's is a Christ-centred, sacramental, inclusive, thinking, praying and prayerful, missionoriented faith community

Today's Services

8.00am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev'd Stuart Langshaw 9.30am Holy Communion Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev'd Rachel Chapman

Processional Hymn (please stand)

- Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the holy one, is here; come bow before him now with reverence and fear: in him no sin is found – we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the holy one, is here.
- 2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned: how awesome is the sight – our radiant King of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.
- 3. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place: he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace – no work too hard for him, in faith receive from him. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

Greeting

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins, whose mercy endures for ever.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. **And also with you.**

Sentence of the Day

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news. *Mark* 1:15

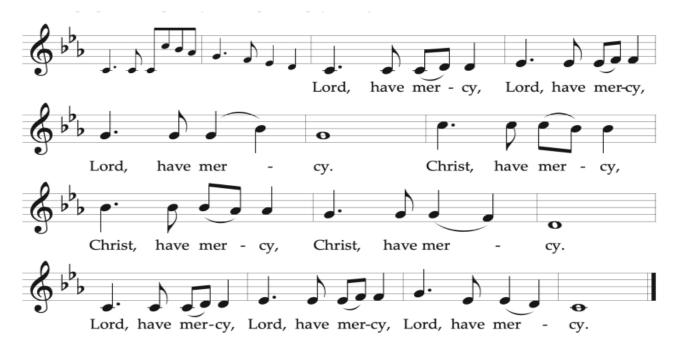
Prayer of Preparation

Let us pray

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie (sung at 9.30am)

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy**, Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy**, Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy**.



Confession & Absolution:

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray

God of the new and eternal covenant, as the forty days of the great flood swept away the world's corruption and watered new beginnings of righteousness and life: grant to us, who are washed clean and born again in the saving flood of baptism, the wellspring of your grace, that your gift of new life may flourish once again; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-17 Read by Luke Ritchie, Principal, St Andrew's School

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25: 1-10

¹ In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope: in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed, nor let my enemies triumph over me. ² Let none who wait for you be put to shame: but let those that break faith be confounded and gain nothing. ³ Show me your ways, O Lord: and teach me your paths. ⁴ Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me: for you are the God of my salvation. ⁵ In you have I hoped all the day long: because of your goodness, O Lord. ⁶ Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness: for they are from of old. ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: but according to your mercy think on me. ⁸ Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he direct sinners in the way. ⁹ The meek he will guide in the path of justice: and teach the humble his ways. ¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true: for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Read by David Hodges, Deputy Principal, St Andrew's School

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn (please stand)

- 1. Forty days and forty nights thou wast fasting in the wild, forty days and forty nights tempted, and yet undefiled.
- 2. Let us thine endurance share, and awhile from joys abstain, with thee watching unto prayer, strong with thee to suffer pain.
- 3. And if Satan, vexing sore, flesh or spirit should assail, thou, his vanquisher before, grant we may not faint nor fail.
- 4. So shall we have peace divine, holier gladness ours shall be, round us too shall angels shine, such as ministered to thee.
- 5. Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear, ever constant by thy side; that with thee we may appear at the eternal Eastertide.

G.H. Smyttan (1822–70) and Francis Pott (1832–1909)

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:9-15

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter one, beginning at the ninth verse. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

After the Gospel the reader says...

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

Sermon – Celebrant

Affirmation of Faith (please stand)

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. *Intercessions, read by members of St Andrew's School community* (*please sit or kneel*)

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

Prayer for a new incumbent:

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling.

Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Parish prayer:

God our Father, you have made us members of Christ and of his church in this parish. May our worship be the offering of our hearts and lives to you. Help us to reach out in welcome to newcomers and visitors, to encourage and care for each other in friendship and fellowship, and to grow in grace, love and unity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the intercessions:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayer of Approach

Let us pray

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

Offertory Hymn

- 1. Forgive us when our deeds ignore your righteous rule of all the earth, when our decisions harm the poor, denying their eternal worth.
- 2. Forgive us when we turn aside from what is honest, true and fair, when dreams of pleasure, wealth and pride supplant your clear commands to care.
- 3. Forgive us, Lord, our endless greed for what was never truly ours, when, driven more by want than need, we harness this world's brutal powers.
- 4. Forgive us that we change the rules by which the game of life is played, and never learn to wield the tools which could see joy and hope remade.
- 5. Forgive us God! Our lives betray our shallow, vague response to grace; so help us walk your holy way, to make your world a better place.

Martin Leckebusch (b. 1962)

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever.** Great Thanksgiving Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

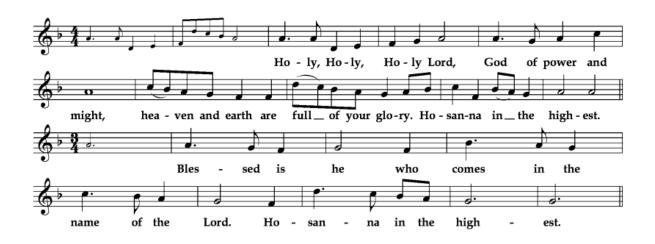
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. He was tempted in every way as we are, yet he did not sin. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to walk in the way of his love. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying: (sung at 9.30am)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.



Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood. On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



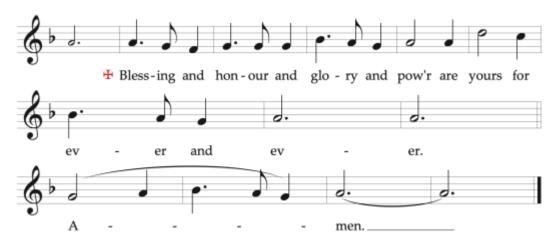
Renew us by your Holy Spirit,

unite us in the body of your Son,

and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord,

with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour, glory and power, are yours for ever and ever, Amen.



As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

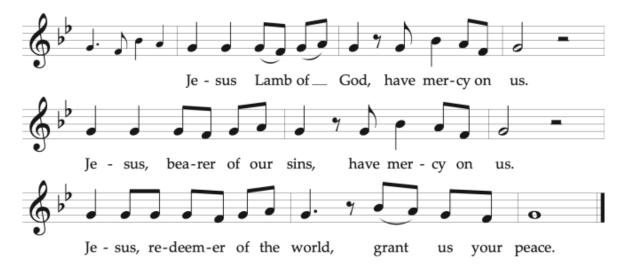
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of Bread and Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body: **for we all share in the one bread.**

The congregation joins in the Agnus Dei (sung at 9.30am)

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.



Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Administration of Communion

Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to come forward and receive Holy Communion. Gluten free bread is available on request. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may like to come forward to receive a blessing (simply bow your head as a signal to the priest).

Communion Hymn

- O God, you search me and you know me. All my thoughts lie open to your gaze. When I walk or lie down you are before me: ever the maker and keeper of my days.
- 2. You know my resting and my rising. You discern my purpose from afar, and with love everlasting you besiege me: in every moment of life and death, you are.
- Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, you have known its meaning through and through. You are with me beyond my understanding: God of my present, my past and future, too.
- 4. Although your Spirit is upon me, still I search for shelter from your light. There is nowhere on earth I can escape you: even the darkness is radiant in your sight.
- 5. For you created me and shaped me, gave me life within my mother's womb. For the wonder of who I am, I praise you: safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957) based on Psalm139

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

God of mercy, may we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world. Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out, in the power of your Spirit To live and work to your praise and glory.

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Final Hymn

- 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, be all else but naught to me, save that thou art, be thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord, be thou my great Father, and I thy true son, be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
- 3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight, be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might, be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower, O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.
- 4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, be thou mine inheritance now and always, be thou and thou only the first in my heart, O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 5. High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won, great heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Irish, c. 8th century Tr. Mary Byrne (1880-1931) Versified Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)

Blessing & Dismissal

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Organ Postlude – we sit in reflection

If you are new today, welcome! Contact forms are available for you to complete today. We would love to get your contact details so that we can keep you up to date with the life of the parish. Please ask one of our friendly welcomers for a form, and return it to them (or place it in the offertory bowl) when you have completed it. Many thanks.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving: Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher 2016, Joining the Angels' Song: Eucharistic Prayers for Sundays and Holy Days, Years A,B &C, Canterbury Press, Norwich UK.

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For your Prayers this week

The Nations and People of the Earth:

In a world where we are conscious of so much war, we give thanks for so much peace that we take for granted. We pray for Indonesia, and give thanks for a peaceful election, and pray for a smooth transfer of power in October.

We pray for the people and leaders of Victoria after the storms and fires of the past week, asking for generous and quick settling of claims.

The Church and its Mission:

Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan Primate: ++Ezekiel Kumir Kondo. Stirling: Andy Wurm (Dee)

North West Australia: Darrel Parker (Elizabeth)

- Give thanks for the work and witness of Gawura School within St Andrew's Cathedral School in Sydney.
- With the Church Missionary Society of Australia we pray for Christian work in Japan – for Kellie Nicholas and her student work, and for Elle Bryce in her work in Kyoto.

At St Andrew's we pray:

Pray for our personal and communal walk through Lent.

Pray for a generous support of ABM's Lent Appeal.

Pray for the Parish Council as it meets on Wednesday night.

Pray for the success of our Parish Market on March 2nd.

Ourselves and our Community:

At the start of the university year we pray for the outreach of Christian groups at our universities – for the Australian fellowship of Evangelical Students, and for the ministry of the Anglican Chaplain at Flinders University, Deborah Jeanes.

The Departed

We thank God for our personal heroes of the faith, and remember with thankfulness, as well as those whose love continues to enrich us.

Thanksgiving for those who have gone before us in faith:William Grant Broughton (d. 1853), first bishop of Australia 20 FebruaryPolycarp (d. c. 155), bishop of Smyrna, martyr23 FebruaryMatthias, apostle and martyr24 February

Notices

In the Parish

- The Annual Vestry Meeting will be held this year on Sunday 17th March at 11am. Would those who normally prepare reports please lodge them with the office no later than Thursday 29th February.
- Saturday Markets about to resume! Autumn markets on 2 March, 6 April and 4 May, 9.30am-1.30pm, in the Parish Centre. Browse through books, jewellery, candles, scarves and more... and enjoy the barbecue and fine fellowship.
- A plea from the Wardens! Thank you to those who have already responded to our plea. But we still need your help and support. Are you willing to volunteer your time to help in any of the following areas? Server, Lay Assistant, Morning Tea, Reading the Lessons, Welcomer, Flower Roster, Prayer Leader. We are desperate for more support for those who already fulfil many of these activities. Please speak with Sally or Donna if you think you can contribute and we can draw up rosters for 2024.

Palm crosses:

- For your diary: Saturday morning, February 24 Working Bee with ABM to make palm crosses, in the Parish Centre. Come and enjoy fellowship.
- World Day of Prayer Service: for Palestine. Friday 1st March, 7.30pm at Hampstead Gardens Church of Christ. The service has been prepared by the Christian women of Palestine with the theme "I beg you.....bear with one another in love'.
- Found: sunglasses in a black case, left on the altar. Please check with a sacristan if you have lost a pair.
- Statistic from Christmas Bowl appeal: "The Christmas Bowl appeal is a way of forging a loving connection between the Christian community here in Australia, and those we give hope to who are uprooted by conflict and disaster around the world at Christmas. On behalf of those whose lives your church gift is helping to change, we truly appreciate your generosity. Thank you."

Thank you from Liz Owen: The decision to follow a Voice has been deeply reflected upon over the past six or so months. With deep appreciation and 'thank you' for the very kind words offered by Sally and for the flowers received. The opportunities offered to me to serve in St Andrew's Parish by the then Rev'd Chris Chataway, Rev'd Peter Chilvers, Rev'd Sam Goodes and intertwined with our beloved Locum Tenens, Rev'd Stuart Langshaw, have been undertaken with much thought, reflection, prayer and liturgical growth. Many individuals have facilitated knowledge gained along the way and I give thanks for their guidances. Creation and Mission are the areas of Faith which call me to continued Service. I have listened to that 'still small voice' (1 Kings. 19: 12-13, KJV), life can become rushed and busy and one risks 'burn out' to use a modern phrase. Thank you for your very kind and gracious wishes, you remain in my prayers.

***** Services during Holy Week and Easter:

Maundy Thursday 7pm Holy Communion Good Friday 9.30am Holy Communion Easter morning, 8am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Diary Dates

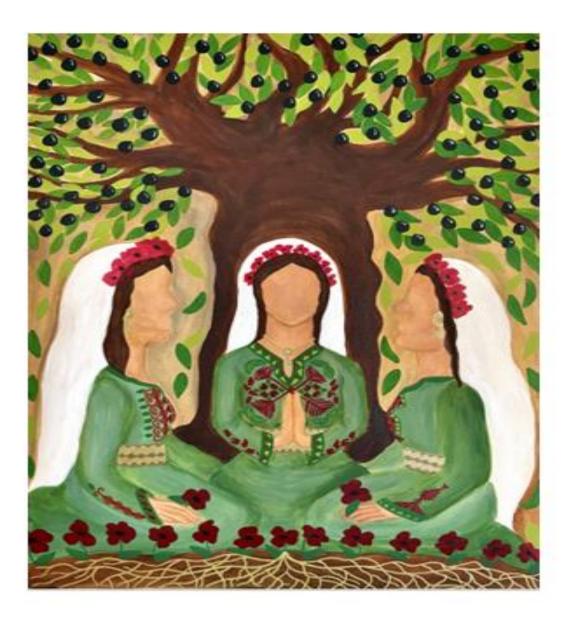
Sunday 18 February Lent 1	8.00am 9.30am	Said Eucharist Sung Eucharist – School & Board
Tuesday 20 February Wednesday 21 February Thursday 22 February Friday 23 February Saturday 24 February	11.00am 2.00pm 7.30pm 9.00am 7.30pm 10.00am 10.00am	
Sunday 25 February Lent 2	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am	Said Eucharist Sung Eucharist Baptism (Church)
Tuesday 27 February	11.00am 5.15pm	Bible Study (Wheatleys) St Lazarus AGM (PC)
Wednesday 28 February	12.30pm 2.00pm	Rostrum meeting
Thursday 29 February	9.00am 7.30pm	1 ()
Friday 1 March		Tai Chi (Parish Centre) World Day of Prayer (Hampstead Gardens Church of Christ)
Saturday 2 March	10.00am	Saturday Market (Parish Centre)
Sunday 3 March Lent 3	8.00am 9.30am	Said Eucharist Sung Eucharist

Readings for next Sunday (Second Sunday in Lent)

1st Reading: Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22: 24-32 2nd Reading: Romans 4: 13-25 Gospel: Mark 8: 31-38 <u>Rosters for today, 18th February (First Sunday in Lent)</u> School and Board service

School and Board service				
Celebrant & Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Stuart Langshaw				
Readers:	8.00am	Brian Zwar		
	9.30am	Luke Ritchie; David Hodges (School)		
Prayer Leader:	9.30am	Representatives from St Andrew's School		
Lay Assistants:	8.00am	Darren Fleming		
	9.30am	Biffy Ormsby		
Server:	9.30am	John Beer		
Welcomers:	8.00am	Brian Zwar		
	9.30am	Michael Thomas, Robin Coleman		
Morning Tea	9.30am	Frances Wilson, Molly Radakovitch, Joan		
		Beer		
Rosters for next Sunday, 25th February (Second Sunday in Lent)				
Celebrant & Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Stuart Langshaw				
Readers:	8.00am	Ray Newell		
	9.30am	Sandy Facy		
Prayer Leader:	9.30am	Michael Thomas		
Lay Assistants:	8.00am	Darren Fleming		
	9.30am	Biffy Ormsby		
Server:	9.30am	Jacob Harris		
Welcomers:	8.00am	Ray Newell		
	9.30am	Tony Holloway, Robert Dow		
Morning Tea	9.30am	Jenny Coleman, Margaret Gall, Donna		
		Coombe, Yvonne Facy		
Rosters for Sunday 3rd March (Third Sunday in Lent)				
Celebrant & Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Stuart Langshaw				
Readers:	8.00am	Anne Hurst		
	9.30am	Sandy Facy		
Prayer Leader:	9.30am	Lyn Dow		
Lay Assistants:	8.00am	Darren Fleming		
	9.30am	Wayne Butcher		
Server:	9.30am	Michael Thomas		
Welcomers:	8.00am	Volunteer needed		
	9.30am	Brian and Heather Wheatley		
Morning Tea	9.30am	Needra Silva, Sally Zimmerman, Helen		
		Hancock		

World Day of Prayer 2024 Palestine



Date & Time: Fri Mar 1st at 7:30pm

Location: Hampstead Gardens Church of Christ 28 Gambia Ave Hampstead Gardens

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