



**THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALL SAINTS' ROSEBUD with
ST. KATHERINE'S McCRAE.**

**Candlemas
or
Presentation of Christ in the Temple
SUNDAY 29th January 2023**



Our Vicar is The Reverend Lynda Crossley

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are visiting with us today, welcome to our service and we welcome you to join us for morning tea after the service in our hall.

SENTENCE

My eyes have seen you salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all people. Luke 2: 30-31

HYMNS

494

324

308

152

Parish Musings

There is something special about the moments of our lives that are marked by special events, baptisms, weddings, and other celebrations. This week we celebrate Candlemas otherwise known as the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. Candlemas reminds us of Christ coming into the world as the light of God to the people of Israel. Customs on this day vary, among some, in the past Christians brought candles to church to be blessed or ate pancakes. In other parts of the world, various dishes made from corn are served while in America, they celebrate Ground Hog Day.

For us Candlemas is about celebrating Jesus as the light of the world. Today we will bless the candles that we use in our Liturgy, giving thanks to God for the blessing of light.

The Reverend Lynda Crossley

Our Website:

<http://www.rosebudmccrae.melbourneanglican.org.au>

Here you can find the Pew Sheet and sermon for the week.

Gathering Together. Introit hymn: 494: In water we grow

Collect for Today

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,] now and for ever. **Amen.**

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING is from Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Hear the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm 84

RESPONSE:

Lord God of hosts: blessed are those who put their trust in you

¹ How lovely is your dwelling-place:

O Lord God of hosts!

² My soul has a desire and longing

to enter the courts of the Lord:

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. **R**

³ The sparrow has found her a home,

and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:

even your altar, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

⁴ Blessed are those who dwell in your house:

they will always be praising you. **R**

⁵ Blessed are those whose strength is in you:
in whose heart are the highways to Zion;

⁶ Who, going through the valley of dryness,
find there a spring from which to drink:
till the autumn rain shall clothe it with blessings.

⁷ They go from strength to strength:
they appear, every one of them,
before the God of gods in Zion. **R**

⁸ O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer:
give ear, O God of Jacob.

⁹ Behold, O God, him who reigns over us:
and look upon the face of your anointed.

¹⁰ One day in your courts is better than a thousand:
I would rather stand at the threshold
of the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of ungodliness. **R**

¹¹ For the Lord God is a light and a shield,
the Lord gives favour and honour:
and no good thing will he withhold
from those who walk in innocence.

¹² O Lord God of hosts:
blessed are those who put their trust in you. **R**

SECOND READING is from Hebrews 2:14-18

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹Because he himself was tested by what he

suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Hear the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn 324 Lord, bid your servant go in peace

THE GOSPEL

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 2:22-40

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, ‘Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord’), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, ‘a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.’ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ‘Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.’ And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, ‘This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.’ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Offertory hymn: 308 To us a child of Royal Birth

Recessional Hymn: 152 Joyful, joyful, we adore you.

You are welcome to join us for Morning Tea in the Hall.

In our prayers this week we pray especially for:

This week's Collect Prayer

Jim, Howard, Greg, Kay, Pat & Alan, Sue, Vera, Thelma, Mary, Joan, Jono, Diane, and baby Oliver.

This week's Collect Prayer

O Lord,
you have taught us
that all our doings without love are worth nothing:
send your Holy Spirit,
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you;
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Readings for next Sunday 5th February 2023

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 58: 1-9a

Psalm 112

I Corinthians 2: 1-13

Matthew 5: 13-20

NOTICES

Collecting for Southern Peninsula Community Support

In the Narthex, you will find a basket for us to place items for collection for the Southern Peninsula Community Support. At present they are seeking donations of SHAMPOO, (not conditioner) TOOTHPASTE, TOILET PAPER and TOOTHBRUSHES, SOAP. Small donations go a long way to assisting those who are homeless or are financially

disadvantaged. Thank you to all who have already donated.

Envelopes for Offertory.

You may by now have noticed that we did not purchase new envelopes for 2023. We have an abundance of Envelopes left over from 2022. I ask that you take one of these and change the date if required.

FUNDRAISING IDEAS

In the narthex is a box with some paper and pens to write ideas about Fundraising. We need some simple ideas that are relatively easy to implement and that will enhance our community here in Rosebud. You do not need to put your name to your idea/s as all ideas will be carefully considered and your input is vital to the ongoing running of our Parish.

With thanks from the Wardens and Reverend Lynda

EVENSONG AT ST. JOHN'S SORRENTO 26th FEBRUARY

St John's parish are looking for singers to join the Choir for Evensong in Sorrento on Sunday the 26th of February.

If you wish to join the choir, please let the vicar know. Four have already indicated they would like to sing for Evensong.

The dates for Practice at St John's are as follows:

Saturday 11th February from 3.30 pm

Saturday 18th February 3.30

And **Sunday 26th February** before the service.

LENTEN STUDY GROUP

Lent begins this year on the 22nd of February. This year our study book is Paula Gooder's book: *Let me Go there: the Spirit of Lent*. Books are available in the Narthex and are \$20 each. A sign in sheet is in the Narthex for you to put your name down for our study. A time will be allocated soon.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Date	Day	Event
January 30 th	Monday Charles, king of England (d. 1649)	Rev'd Lynda's day of rest

January 31st	Tuesday	
February 1 st	Wednesday	10.30 am Eucharist All Saints.
February 2 nd	Thursday Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	Parish council planning meeting 2 pm
February 3 rd	Friday	8.30 Morning Prayer
February 4 th	Saturday Anskar, missionary bishop ion Sweden (d. 1865)	
February 6 th	Sunday Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.	8.30 St Katherine's, McCrae 10.30 All Saints, Rosebud

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