



ST. BEDE'S CHURCH

WELCOME

St. Bede's welcomes all,
gathering in faith,
serving in love, and proclaiming the abundant life with hope
through Jesus Christ

We are a church that values -

Reverent sacramental worship

Gracious hospitality

Generous outreach

Comprehensive Christian formation

Our Services

Wednesday at 10am

Holy Eucharist

Sunday at 8am and 9.30am

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We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Kurna people and respect their elders, past and present

GREETINGS FROM ST. BEDE'S

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Everyone at St. Bede's welcomes you and rejoices in sharing the Gospel's message together.

Since 1879 our congregation from Semaphore, Largs Bay, North Haven, Peterhead, Taperoo, Woodville, Exeter, Grange, Ethelton, and West Lakes has been worshiping, celebrating, and serving the community.

We hope you will come again and join us.

OUR PARISH PRAYER

Gracious Father, your loving providence has brought us into the sacred fellowship of St. Bede's.

Help us to praise you with such holy worship; serve you with unselfish love; and to give so generously for the spread of your kingdom that we may be worthy members of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, faithfully fulfilling our mission: to make known your truth, help the needy, and proclaim the abundant life in your name.

This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

TODAY'S SERVICE

*The Presentation of Christ in the Temple
(Candlemass)*

The Hymns

TIS 212 - 'Christ whose Glory fills the Skies'
TIS 324 - 'Lord Bid your Servant Go in Peace'
TIS 275 - 'Hail to the Lord's Anointed'
TIS 246 - 'Christ is the World's Light'

The Sentence (A call to worship)

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. [Luke 2: 30–32]

The Collect (The prayer of the day)

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only Son was presented in the temple in accordance with the law, so we may be dedicated to you with pure and clean hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading 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.

Psalm 84

How lovely is your dwelling-place: O Lord God of hosts!

*My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord:
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.*

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.

*Blessed are those who dwell in your house:
they will always be praising you.*

Blessed are those whose strength is in you:

In whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Who, going through the valley of dryness,

find there a spring from which to drink:

till the autumn rain shall clothe it with blessings.

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

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

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

*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.*

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.

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

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Spirit:
as in the beginning, so now, and for ever.

Amen.

New Testament Reading 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.

Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

The Gospel

Luke 2: 22-40

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.

PRAYERS

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

Primates: Archbishop Justin Duckworth, Archbishop Don Tamihere,
Archbishop Sione Uluilakepa

The National Church

Adelaide: Archbishop Geoffrey Smith (Lynn)

Adelaide Diocese

Semaphore: Stephen Moore (Julie)

Willochra Diocese

Rural Deans: Yorke - Christine Smith (Don), Flinders - Wendy Cooper
(Tim), Eyre - Susan Johnson, Upper Spencer Gulf - Glen McDonald
(Beth)

The Murray

The Diocesan Council

We pray, too, for:

Myrine and Max Wilson

Luise Humby

Bp. Garry Weatherill

Gloria Datson

Ila Neighbour

Fr. Donald Grey-Smith

Fr. John Thompson

Ann for her sister-in-law Michelle

Terry and Joyce for Phillip Rooke

Dorothy for Jan and Jeff

Sigrid for Darrian Fuss

Gwen for Kelly Tunbridge

FOR OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Evelyn Spackman

Maxwell Worden

Lousie Henderson

Heather Snewin

Colin Dunstan

Louise Hemmings

Hazel Davis

*May the souls of the faithful departed
rest in peace*

ROSTER AND READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK - February 9

Welcoming: Julie Farrell Intercessor: Dorothy Thorpe
Morning Tea: Anne Muir, Greg Manning
Lay Assistant: Diana Geier
A/V: Karen Fagan, Greg Manning

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 6: 1-8 Psalm 138
1Corinthians 15: 1-11 Luke 5: 1-11

Please join us for morning tea after each service

DIARY DATES

February 17 @ 6pm: 10-part Alpha series starts

March 4 @ 5.30pm: Shrove Tuesday

March 5 @ 10am: Ash Wednesday service

WHAT WE DO

St. Bede's provides a free hot **breakfast** on Tuesday mornings in the hall for generally 35-40 homeless, rough sleepers and others who live at the edges. Almost all the food is donated, and the meals are prepared by volunteers from the parish and local community

Fred's Van offers free meals each Sunday evening in the hall those in need

Bede's Bazaar op-shop also operates in the hall. Clothing is sold to raise money for the parish mission and is given away to those needing help

The Community Garden was established in 2006 and is energetically supported by local gardeners

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH

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Parish Councilors

Colin Lehmann (Treasurer), Greg Manning, Georgina Stamp,
Diana Geier, Ken Holds

Breakfast@St. Bede's

Tuesday, 8.30-10am

Bedes' Bazaar

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 11am-3pm

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TO MAKE A DONATION

For envelopes and/or cash, please use the donation box at the church entrance

For direct credit - BSB 705-077, account number 00040467

For general payments, please use account number 00040064, include your name and "donation" or "giving"

For direct debit, please see the treasurer, Colin Lehmann, to make arrangements