



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 Kuarna 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 Third Sunday after Epiphany

The Hymns

TIS 642 - 'This Day God gives Me
TIS 688 - 'Come to be our Hope, O Jesus'
TIS 599 - 'Take my Life, and Let it Be'
TIS 626 - 'Lord of Creation'

The Sentence (A call to worship)

Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah: 'The Spirit of the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.' [Luke 4: 18]

The Collect (The prayer of the day)

Life-giving God, who sent your Son Jesus to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority: anoint us with your Spirit, that we too may bring good news to the poor, bind up the broken-hearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; 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 Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 8: 5-6, 8: 8-10

And all the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands.

Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law.

Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God:
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;
one day tells it to another: and night to night communicates knowledge.
*There is no speech or language: nor are their voices heard;
yet their sound has gone out through all the world,
and their words to the ends of the earth.*

There he has pitched a tent for the sun: which comes out as a bridegroom
from his chamber, and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.
*Its rising is at one end of the heavens
and its circuit to their farthest bound:
and nothing is hidden from its heat.*

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul:
the command of the Lord is true, and makes wise the simple.
*The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart:
the commandment of the Lord is pure, and gives light to the eyes.*

The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever:
the judgements of the Lord are unchanging, and righteous every one.
*More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold:
sweeter also than honey, than the honey that drips from the comb.*

Moreover, by them is your servant taught:
and in keeping them there is great reward.
*Who can know their own unwitting sins?:
O cleanse me from my secret faults.*

Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the mastery
over me: so I shall be clean, and innocent of great offence.
*May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight:
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.*

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 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31

For just as the body is one and has many members and all the members of
the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body— Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose.

If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

The Gospel Luke 4:14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom.

He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. In the place where it was written 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

IN OUR PRAYERS

The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria Primate: Bishop Samy Fawzy . **Dioceses of - Wangaratta:** Bishop Clarence Bester; **Adelaide:** Norwood: Shane Ellery (Caitlin), Nathaneal Reuss (Ruth); **Willochra:** Mission to Seafarers: Port Pirie Lay Chaplain Ian Pol (Lynette), Port Lincoln ship visitors, Seafarers' Centre Wallaroo Chaplain (vacant), Pt Giles Lay Chaplain June Harrison, Thevenard ship visitors; **The Murray:** Anglicare. **Semaphore:** Fr. Stephen and Julie

We pray, too, for:

Myrine & Max Wilson	Gloria Datson	Luise Humby
Ila Neighbour	Bp. Garry Weatherill	
Fr. Donald Grey-Smith	Fr. John Thompson	

Ann for her sister-in-law Michelle	Dorothy for Jan and Jeff
Gwen for Kelly Tunbridge	Sigrid for Darrian Fuss
Terry and Joyce for Phillip Rooke	

FOR OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

At the anniversary of their death, we pray for:

Barry Moir, Francis Howe, Augusta Sutherland, Arthur Rogers, Keith Duncanson, Joan Wigg, Neill March, Murray Horlin-Smith

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

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