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Weekly News and Pew Sheet



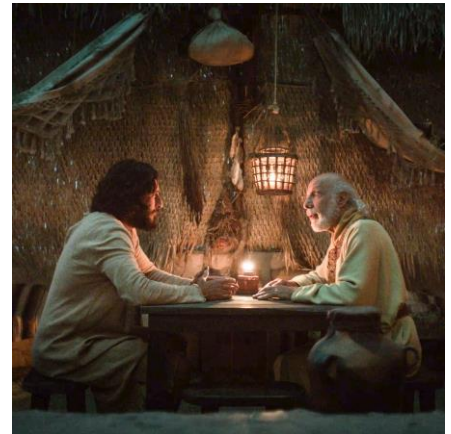
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY 5TH MARCH 2023

WORSHIP THEME: THROUGH THE NIGHT

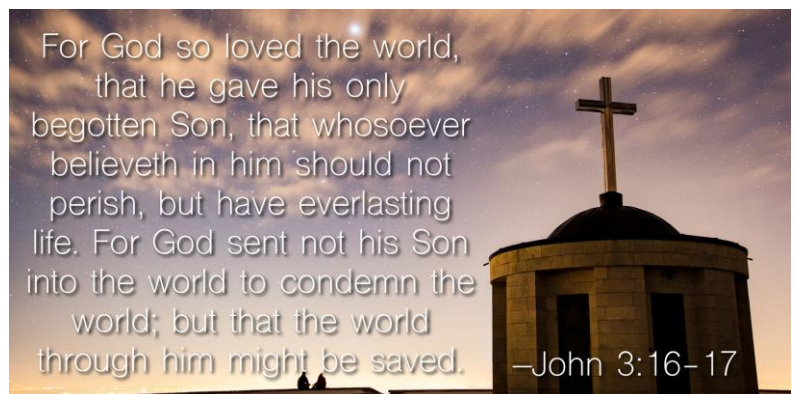
Parish Priest's Message

Today in the Gospel we read of Nicodemus' conversation with Jesus. Nicodemus came to Jesus secretly in the darkness of night but their conversation gave rise to the most quoted verse from the bible and one that many people would say encapsulates the Christian faith (John 3:16).



My study bible includes a profile of Nicodemus and its worth quoting this observation about him: *"A leader of the Pharisees, Nicodemus had a spiritual life that was shaped around avoiding, to the greatest possible degree, condemnation. Now Jesus announced that he had come not to condemn but to save (v.17). As Nicodemus began to lay hold of this truth, light began to seep in and understanding slowly gathered momentum. It happened when Nicodemus stepped out, even in the dark, to question Jesus. He was willing to approach Jesus at night and, because of it, in time Christ would help this visitor to live in the light."*

We might ponder what ways we are like Nicodemus. Are we afraid to come to the light (v.2)? Do we miss the meaning of Jesus' words (vv.3-8)? Are we not familiar enough with our own faith heritage (vv.10-12)? Are we not open to God's way of doing things (vv.12-14)? These are great questions to reflect on as we journey through this Lenten season.



TODAY'S WORSHIP RESOURCES

Sentence

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. **John 3:16**

Prayer of the Day

God of mercy, you are full of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive: grant us grace to renounce all evil and to cling to Christ, that in every way we may prove to be your loving children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Genesis 12:1-4a

A reading from the book of Genesis

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121 APBA p360

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills:
but where shall I find help?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord:
who has made heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not suffer your foot to stumble:
and he who watches over you will not sleep.
- 4 Be sure he who has charge of Israel:
will neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5 The Lord himself is your keeper:
the Lord is your defence upon your right hand;
- 6 The sun shall not strike you by day:
nor shall the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord will defend you from all evil:
it is he who will guard your life.
- 8 The Lord will defend your going out and your coming in:
from this time forward for evermore.



Second Reading

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

No one can see the kingdom of God
without being born from above.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 3:1-17

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.'

Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.'

Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?'

Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.'



Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?'

Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Next Sunday's Readings

Third Sunday of Lent 12th March – Theme: Thirsting for New Life

Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95 Romans 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM AND FOR OUR PARISH

Prayer requests for Sunday intercessions can be given to the clergy or Parish Office. Confidential prayers can also be offered by the clergy and a small prayer group.



Kingsley Oakley, Rosalie and Phil Brown, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Yvonne Thomas, Samuel, Di Besson, Paris D'Souza, Jennifer Elbe, Barbara Morris, Clarissa Dalton, John, Peta, Kay Doyle, Denise Barnes, Pam Court, Peter & Gaye Punch.

PARISH CALENDAR



Sun 5th March	7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's 8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's 10:00am Family Service at St Peter's 8:00pm Fringe Concert at St Peter's
Mon 6 th	10:30am Interment
Tue 7 th	7:30pm Lenten Study at St Peter's Community Centre 8:00pm Fringe Concert at St Peter's
Wed 8 th	10:00am Playgroup in St Peter's Community Centre 2:00pm Funeral at St Peter's for Lady Joan Neal
Thu 9 th	10:00am Holy Communion in the chapel at St Peter's 2:00pm Funeral Service at St Peter's for Garth Palmer
Sun 12th March	7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's 8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's 10:00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's
Tue 14 th	7:30pm Lenten Study at St Peter's Community Centre
Wed 15 th	10:00am Playgroup at St Peter's Community Centre 1:30pm Wellbeing Class at St Peter's Community Centre 6:30pm Parish Men's Group Croquet Night at Holdfast Bowling Club
Thu 16 th	10:00am Holy Communion in the chapel at St Peter's
Fri 17 th	9:30am-1:30pm Book Sale at St Martin's 6:30pm Youth Group at St Peter's
Sat 18 th	9:30am-1:30pm Book Sale at St Martin's
Sun 19th March	7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's 8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's 10:00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's

PARISH NOTICES

LENT APPEAL ENVELOPES AND BOXES

Anglican Board of Mission Lent Appeal envelopes and boxes are available for your donations throughout the Lenten season. You can put the envelopes or boxes in the collection plates, post cheques directly to ABM, or donate through the ABM website. The Parish Council commits to supporting this appeal each year, so we will also donate through our parish mission budget.

BCA COLLECTION BOXES

For those who have BCA (Bush Church Aid) collection boxes, it is time for them to be counted. Please return them to church or the parish office.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

The Lenten study next meets **Tuesday 14th March at 7:30pm** in the St Peter's Community Centre. We are skipping a week due to the Fringe Concert at St Peter's. If you would like to follow along from home, copies of 'The Imaginary Doorway' book is available from the parish office for \$15.

LOOKING FOR A BOOK TO READ DURING LENT?

A greater selection of books is now on display in the parish library thanks to the larger bookshelf donated by David and Hewina Jackson. Check it out!

ST MARTIN'S BOOK SALE

The Parish will hold a book sale on **Friday 17th March** and **Saturday 18th March at St Martin's, 45 Hastings St, Glenelg South** from **9:30am-1:30pm**. Donations of books may be left at the Parish Office at St Peter's. If you would like to volunteer to assist at the book sale, please sign up on the reply sheet at St Peter's or phone the Parish Office between 9:30am and 2:30pm Tuesday-Friday.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING – SUNDAY 26TH MARCH

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting for the Anglican Parish of Glenelg will be held on Sunday 26th March.

There will be one combined communion service in the parish that morning followed by the vestry meeting and morning tea. (please note there will be no service at St Martin's that morning) All parishioners are strongly encouraged to attend the combined service and be part of this important day.

9:30am Communion Service

10:15am Vestry Meeting

11:00am Morning Tea

VESTRY REPORTS DUE

Parish group coordinators are reminded that we would like to have all reports available for parishioners on Sunday 19th March, therefore we need all of them sent in to the Parish Office by **Sunday 12th March** so they can be compiled.

NOMINATIONS FOR VESTRY MEETING

Nomination forms are now available for those positions which must be elected at Vestry meeting.

- St Peter's People's Warden (Terry Leane is stepping down from this role)
- Six nominations for Parish Council
- 1 nomination for Synod Rep (casual vacancy to replace Ben Williams)
- 1 nomination from St Peter's for nomination committee
- 1 nomination from St Martin's for nomination committee

FRINGE CONCERTS AT ST PETER'S

Andrew's band "What About Jeff?" is performing "A Girl With Kaleidoscope Eyes – The Women Who Inspired the Beatles," celebrating songs that feature women by name. The shows are at **8:00pm Sunday 5th March** and **8:00pm Tuesday 7th March** at **St Peter's**. Please note that this concert is not in the printed Fringe guide. Details and tickets are available at:



<https://adelaidefringe.com.au/fringetix/a-girl-with-kaleidoscope-eyes-the-women-who-inspired-the-beatles-af2023>

PARISH ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

We are currently advertising in relevant places for a new parish administration officer. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please let them know about the position. Information will be available on our website and Facebook pages.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

We are currently trying to put in place a combination of temporary paid and volunteer coverage for the parish office to maintain our opening times. Please bear in mind there may be times when the office has to close early if we cannot cover the full time period. Thank-you for your patience.

WORDSEARCH – NICODEMUS AND JESUS

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It's always great to welcome visitors to our churches at St Peter's, Glenelg and St Martin's, Glenelg South.

At **7:45am (St Peter's)** you will need this news sheet and a green prayerbook (p.119). At **8:45am (St Martin's)** you will be greeted with a news sheet, prayer & hymnbooks to use.

At **10am (St Peter's)** you only need this news sheet as the service is on the powerpoint screen.



Feel free to sit anywhere - there are no specially reserved seats.

Toilets are located, at St Peter's, along the passageway, under the projector screen. At St Martin's, they are in the corridor adjacent to the worship space.

Feel free to join in with all aspects of worship as you feel comfortable. Please be aware that visitors are warmly welcome to receive communion with us.

We love to meet new people so you are very welcome to stay for a cuppa after the service, but don't feel bad if you need to get away - there's always next time.

We hope you find inspiration and blessing in your time spent here.

DONATING TO OUR PARISH

Regular Planned Giving can be directed to Parish of Glenelg (AFSA) BSB 705-077 Account Number 00041211 (please use your surname and initial e.g. SMITHJ PGP).

One off/occasional donations, that are separate to regular PGP, can be made to Anglican Parish of Glenelg BSB 705-077 Account No.00000033

Heritage Conservation Fund (tax deductible): Ensure the donation is designated for *The Anglican Parish of St Peters Glenelg*. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa>

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OFFICE OPENING HOURS

9.30am – 2.30pm Tuesday to Friday

SCHOOL AFFILIATION

ST PETER'S WOODLANDS GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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The Anglican Parish of Glenelg acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.

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