



WEEKLY BULLETIN - Sunday 15 March 2026

Fourth Sunday in Lent

	BIBLE READINGS FOR SUNDAY			
	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
15 Mar	1 Samuel 16.1-13	23	Ephesians 5.8-14	John 9.1-41
22 Mar	Ezekiel 37.1-14	130	Romans 8.6-11	John 11.1-45

COLLECT

Gracious God,
in order that we children of earth
might discern good from evil
you sent your Son to be the light of the world:
as the light of Christ shines upon us,
may we learn what pleases you,
and live in truth and goodness;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

MOTHERING SUNDAY – Today Sunday 15 March

The traditional small pieces of Simnel cake (fruit cake with marzipan icing) will be distributed in honour of Mothering Sunday. Further explanations will be given for people unfamiliar with this centuries-old tradition.

PALM CROSS MAKING / PALMS NEEDED

Come and join us in making palm crosses on Saturday, March 28 at 2.00pm in the church. The priest traditionally supplies coffee, tea and hot cross buns. All are welcome. Afterwards we will decorate the church for Palm Sunday, for which palms are required. All sizes are welcome but Golden Cane Palms are easy for us to handle. Please cut and bring any you may have to the church for palm cross making or leave palms in St Peter's Way (main church entrance) for us to use that afternoon.

GAMES & CARD DAY

Our GAMES & CARD DAY held on Wednesday in the church was a great success with over 60 ladies attending. There was lots of laughter and even some still competition at the tables!! Thanks to our hard working St David's team, led by Geraldine Bennett, who worked so hard to achieve such a successful, happy event. Well done ladies.

BRIEF PARISH INFORMATION MEETING: SUNDAY 22 MARCH

A Newsletter this past week provided the names of all those elected at the AGM. A copy of the Minutes are on the Noticeboard.

In response to questions posed at the AGM, Parish Council has arranged a short information meeting to follow each of the morning services on Sunday 22 March.

Lasting about 5-10 minutes, the purpose is to provide updated information about investment plans to conclude the Parish Asset and Property Redevelopment Project. Both services that day will be slightly shortened; morning coffee and tea will follow as usual with opportunity if people want to ask further questions later.

HYMNAL (MUSIC) OPERATOR NEEDED

As we continue to enjoy the music from our Hymnal machine, there is a need for someone to operate the music at each service. THIS IS VERY SIMPLE. The music is pre-loaded, all that is required is a simple push of a button. Some adjustment of volume may also be required, but that is very easy too. If you would like to help with this important part of our worship please let Rev Nic or Peter Keay know so they can demonstrate how easy it is (& welcome you to our IT team!)

CAREFORCE

Careforce does valuable work and we look forward to continuing to support them through our collections at St David's. Donations can be dropped in the glass room at the rear of the Church. Information Flyer on the Noticeboard.

SCAM EMAILS

The Church will **never** ask you to purchase gift cards, provide gift card codes, or make payments in this way.

DIARY DATES FROM NOW UNTIL EASTER

Where relevant, more information will follow in coming weeks.

Wednesday 11 March – Parish Fundraising Games Morning

- Geraldine Bennett is the organiser; see notice in this Bulletin.

Saturday 28 March from 2.00pm

- Palm Cross making and church decoration, meeting in the church, with coffee/tea and hot cross buns supplied by Nic

Palm Sunday 29 March

- The Liturgy of the Palms with Blessing of Palm Crosses, a celebration of the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday 2 April

- 6.00pm Passover Seder-type meal, leading into a Tenebrae Service commencing approximately 7.15pm, concluding before 8.00pm.
- Details will follow to RSVP for the meal; if not coming to the meal but only for Tenebrae, no RSVP is required, simply arrive by 7.15pm.

Good Friday 3 April – Devotional Service 8.00 – 9.00am

- This will differ in some ways from previous years and including a dramatic reading of The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ interspersed with hymns and prayers.

Saturday 4 April and Sunday 5 April – Celebration of the Resurrection

- Our usual 2 services for Easter at...
- 6.30pm on Holy Saturday, 4th April, and
- 8.00am on Easter Sunday 5th April.

BRISBANE FESTIVAL MALE VOICE CHOIR

- Invites you to an afternoon of Sacred Choral Music.
- Sunday 15 March 2026 at 2.30pm
- St Matthews Anglican Church Sherwood (Cnr Oxley & Sherwood Rds)
- Admission: FREE
- For more information: www.bfmvc.org

CREATE FOR ME A CLEAN HEART, O LORD

Lyrics for song by John Michael Talbot played during Communion.

Create for me a clean heart, O God
Let me be like You in all my ways
Give me Your strength
Teach me Your song
Shelter me in the shadow of Your wings
For we are Your righteousness
If we've died to ourselves
And live through Your death
And we shall be born
Again, to be blessed in Your love.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PARISH

- (1) **CASH** in the basket in the church entrance.
- (2) **TAP** card on EFTPOS reader at church entrance; choose the amount.
- (3) **BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:**

Account Name: Anglican Parish of Chelmer–Graceville

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