



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF  
**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, GORDON**  
QUINQUAGESIMA  
11 FEBRUARY 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

One of the challenges we have when we do our reflection is being honest with ourselves about what we haven't achieved yet. Sometimes we just brush it off, because it gets too hard, other times we defer it, and keep deferring it, for almost eternity!!! One of the strategies I find helpful is to simply hand something that we haven't achieved yet over to God. It sounds simplistic, but it's not. I simply, in my prayer time, say something like, "Lord, I hand *XYZ* over to you, and ask you to honour it as you see fit." Takes a bit of trial and error to get the right emphasis, but by putting God in the centre of all these sorts of things, usually the answer presents itself.

With every blessing to you all,

Fr Keith

**W E L C O M E T O S T J O H N ' S**

*I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the Lord. Psalm 122:1*

**S U N D A Y S E R V I C E S**

7:30AM Morning Prayer

8:00AM HOLY COMMUNION, BCP service with APBA readings

9:30AM HOLY COMMUNION, APBA

**WEEKDAYS**

7:00AM Monday to Thursday Morning Prayer, Chapel

10:00AM Thursday Holy Communion, Chapel

**CHORAL EVENSONG**

4:00PM Second Sunday of the month, March through November,  
next Evensong is 11 March

The church is open for prayer on weekdays

**VISITORS**, you are welcome to receive Communion at St John's if you receive at your own church and your church discipline allows.

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## Notices

### **READINGS For Today, 11 February, Quinquagesima**

**8:00AM** 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 Mark 1:40-45

**9:30AM** 2 Kings 5:1-14 Psalm 32:1-8 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 Mark 1:40-45

### **READINGS For Next Sunday, 18 February, First Sunday In Lent**

**8:00AM** 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15

**9:30AM** Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-8 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15

The funeral of **ROMA DOYLE**, long time parishioner and member of the Women's Evening Group, will be held here this Tuesday the 13th at 2:00PM. Our sympathies to her children Ros, Gordon and Meg.



## **ASH WEDNESDAY**

**14 February**

**Holy Communion and  
Imposition of Ashes**

**10:00AM and 7:30PM**

A **MUSIC CONSULTATION** will be held this Saturday, 17 February, from 10:00AM to noon, as part of our preparation for the Annual Vestry Meeting and the decision on the organ. Brett McKern, Nicola Chau and Father Keith will make short presentations and there will be an opportunity to ask questions. Please set aside the date and attend.

**ORGAN PROJECT QUESTIONS**, both general and financial, should be directed to Father Keith, using his e-mail, [rector@stjohnsgordon.org.au](mailto:rector@stjohnsgordon.org.au). Questions will be answered within a week and your question and answer will be posted on the notice board in the Upper Room and on the website.

The **SERVERS' MEETING** has been rescheduled for next Sunday, 18 February, 11:00AM, in the Crypt.

**THE RECTOR** is now **AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE** on **MONDAY MORNINGS** from 9:00AM to noon. To ensure a time slot, please telephone or e-mail Penny Sutherland.

The **ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING** will be held Sunday, 25 March, in the Hall, after the 9:30AM service. Consider if you would like to stand for Parish Council.





Saturday, 2 March, it will be  
**ST JOHN'S TURN TO HOST**  
the  
**ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**  
observance for the Ku-ring-gai area churches.

Last year's World Day of Prayer was held very successfully at St Ives Uniting Church, where its parishioners made everyone very welcome.

**Morning tea will be served in the Upper Room from 10:00AM** to afford the opportunity to meet people from other local churches, then all will move into the church for a **service starting at 11:00AM**. The committee is **meeting to finalize the program** at the home of Shirleyanne Gibb, 25 Melaleuca Drive, St Ives on **Tuesday, February 13 at 10:00AM**. Potential participants are encouraged to attend.

Offers by St John's parishioners to either **read a lesson or prayer at the service** would be welcomed, as would any **food contributions for the morning tea**.

Please contact either Shirleyanne or John Welch to indicate your interest.  
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**JANET LONG** was recently professed as a member of the Third Order of the Society of St Francis (Anglican). Third Order Franciscans make a lifelong commitment to God, spreading Christ's love, promoting the spirit of love and harmony, and living simply. Janet is very happy to talk about the Third Order to anyone interested in learning more.



Many of you will remember **ANGELA PEVERELL** who was a server at the 9:30AM service for some time. Angela has just finished her "year of discernment" and last Saturday started a two year placement at St Peter's, East Maitland as an Ordinand in the Diocese of Newcastle. We wish her well as she starts work and continues her theological studies.



## Services and Rosters

### TODAY, 11 FEBRUARY, QUINQUAGESIMA

#### **8.00AM CHORAL COMMUNION with 8AM Singers**

Sidesmen: Leonie Hayne, John Brandon and Alan Tilley  
Welcoming: John McLean  
Reader: Leonie Hayne

#### **9:30AM CHORAL EUCHARIST with Parish Choir**

Sidesmen: Jim Bierer and Brian Wood  
Welcoming: Rhonda Miller  
First Reading: Nigel Hubbard  
Intercessions: Cynthia Keithly  
Offertory Procession: The Seo Family  
Morning Tea: The Friday Group

### NEXT SUNDAY, 18 FEBRUARY, FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

#### **8.00AM COMMUNION with 8AM Singers**

Sidesmen: Sue Talbot, Chris Russell and Bob Talbot  
Reader: Alan Tilley

#### **9:30AM SUNG EUCHARIST with Parish Choir**

Sidesmen: John Marshall and JK Seo  
Welcoming: Jen Lum  
First Reading: Richard Gideon  
Intercessions: Ann Wright  
Offertory Procession: The Chau Family  
Morning Tea: Youngee Lee, Janet Long and Deb Marshall

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