

# THE PARISH OF THAMES

*Welcomes you to*

## **ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

***Sunday, 20th October, 2019***

***29th Sunday In Ordinary Time***

### **Call to Worship**

Grace and peace to you from God

**God fill you with Truth and Joy**

The Lord be with you

**The Lord bless you**

This is the day which the Lord has made

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it**

### **Opening Hymn: At The Name Of Jesus**

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,  
every tongue confess Him King of glory now:  
'tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord,  
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name  
from the lips of sinners unto whom He came,  
faithfully He bore it spotless to the last,  
brought it back victorious, when from death He passed.

Name Him, brothers, name Him, with love strong as death,  
but with awe and wonder and with bated breath:  
He is God the Saviour, He is Christ the Lord,  
ever to be worshipped, trusted and adored.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again,  
with his Father's glory, with His angel train;  
for all wreaths of empire meet upon His brow,  
and our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

*Caroline M Noel A & M 148*

### **Collect For Purity**

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hidden, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love You and worthily praise Your Holy Name; through our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.**

### **Prayer of Confession** *(Please sit or kneel)*

**Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to You. Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake and renew our lives to the glory of Your name. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on us, pardon us and set us free. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in life eternal, Amen.

### **Sentence of the Day**

Will not God grant justice to those who cry to Him day and night? Will He delay long in helping them?

*Luke 18:7-8*

### **Collect of the Day**

**Mighty God, strong, loving and wise,  
help us to depend upon Your goodness  
and to place our trust in Your Son;  
who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
one God for ever, amen.**

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**1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:27-34**

Alan Hartley

<sup>27</sup> “The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will plant the kingdoms of Israel and Judah with the offspring of people and of animals. Just as I watched over them to uproot and tear down, and to overthrow, destroy and bring disaster, so I will watch over them to build and to plant,” declares the LORD. “In those days people will no longer say, ‘The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge.’ Instead, everyone will die for their own sin; whoever eats sour grapes — their own teeth will be set on edge. “The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke My covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the LORD.

“This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the LORD. “I will put My law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be My people.

<sup>34</sup> No longer will they teach their neighbour, or say to one another, ‘Know the LORD,’ because they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the LORD. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**Thanks be to God**

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**Psalm: 119:97-104**

<sup>97</sup> Oh, how I love Your law! I meditate on it all day long.

**Your commands are always with me and make me wiser than my enemies.**

I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on Your statutes.

**I have more understanding than the elders, for I obey Your precepts.**

I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey Your word.

**I have not departed from Your laws, for You Yourself have taught me.**

How sweet are Your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

**I gain understanding from Your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path.**

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen***

Paul's Charge To Timothy

<sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

**4** In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of His appearing and His kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage — with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.

<sup>5</sup> But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

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**The Gradual Hymn: How Sweet The Name Of Jesus**

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
in a believer's ear!  
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,  
and drives away his fears.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,  
and calms the troubled breast;  
'tis manna to the hungry soul,  
and to the weary rest.

Dear Name! the Rock on which I build,  
my shield and hiding place,  
my never-failing treasury filled —  
with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,  
my Prophet, Priest, and King,  
my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,  
accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,  
and cold my warmest thought;  
but when I see Thee as Thou art,  
I'll praise Thee as I ought.

Till then I would Thy love proclaim  
with every fleeting breath;  
and may the music of Thy name  
refresh my soul in death.

*John Newton (1725-1807) A&M 122*

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### **3rd Reading: Luke 18:1-8**

Kate Jones

#### **Praise and Glory to God**

The Parable of the Persistent Widow

**18** Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'"

And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for His chosen ones, who cry out to Him day and night? Will He keep putting them off?

<sup>8</sup> I tell you, He will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?"

This is the gospel of Christ

**raise to Christ, the Word**

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**Sermon:**

The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Intercessions:**

Denise Norris

**Peace:** Please turn to page 419 in the Prayer book.

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**Offertory Hymn: You Are My Hiding Place**

You are my hiding place,  
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance.  
Whenever I am afraid I will trust in You.  
I will trust in You;  
Let the weak say,  
"I am strong in the strength of the Lord."  
You are my hiding place,  
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance.  
Whenever I am afraid I will trust in You.

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**Communion** (*prayer is available near the High altar during communion*)

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**Closing Hymn: You Shall Go Out With Joy**

You shall go out with joy  
and be led forth with peace,  
and the mountains and the hills  
shall break forth before you.  
There'll be shouts of joy  
and the trees of the field shall clap,  
shall clap their hands.  
And the trees of the field shall  
clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field shall  
clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field shall  
clap their hands,  
and you'll go out with joy.

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**Sending Forth:** Go now to love and serve the Lord; go now in peace.

**Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**

## **Ministry Team**

**Liturgist:** Sue Lewis-O'Halloran **Server:** Raewyn Grey  
**Intercessor/Prayers:** Denise Norris **Organist:** Finlay Clement  
**Presider & Preacher:** The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson  
**Welcome Team:** Steve Darwell, Rex Geary  
**Morning Tea:** Denise Norris, Kate Jones  
**Te Puru:** The Rev'd Lilian Barrett

## **Parish Community News**

The "Office Hours" change **was for last week only, days are now back to usual — Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9am-1pm.**

## **Prayer Needs**

*"Grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.  
To Him be glory both now and forever. Amen.: 2 Peter 3:18*

Please remember to keep in prayer David Juby, in Thames, and Fiona, in Australia, while she is away for the next week at her son's wedding.  
Please pray for Doug & Denise in the sad loss of Doug's dear mother this last week.  
Remember to keep in your prayers our dear Rev'd David and Sue Cooper, currently in the Chatham Islands, as they comfort Sue's mother in her ill health.

## **This week 20th—27th October, 2019**

**Sunday 20th:** HAPPY BIRTHDAY Rev'd Peter and God bless you richly!!!  
**Tuesday 22nd:** 1pm. Home of Beth & Peter Philip, 608 Rolleston Street, Thames.  
**Wednesday 23rd:** HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHRISTINA PHILIP !!! xxx  
**Wednesday 23rd:** Selwyn Group, 9:30-12:00, Church Hall. All welcome.  
**Thursday 24th:** Service at 10am Holy Communion (1662), St George's Chapel

## **Sunday 27th October, 9:30**

<b>First Reading:</b> Joel 2:23-32	Beth Philip
<b>Psalm:</b> 65	
<b>2nd Reading:</b> 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Raewyn Grey
<b>3rd Reading:</b> Luke 18: 9-14	Stephen Williams
<b>Preacher &amp; Presider:</b>	The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Leslie Wilkinson
<b>Server:</b>	Grace Wilkinson
<b>Music Ministry/organist:</b>	Stuart du Preez
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Margaret MacKay
<b>Sanctuary Guild/Flowers:</b>	Ann McConnell, Jill Muir
<b>Morning Tea:</b>	Lyn Wilson, Ien Chu
<b>Welcome Team:</b>	Kate Jones, Christina Philip, Leslie Wilkinson

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## **SAINTS AND ANGELS evening of fun**

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 – 4:30 – 7:30 pm at St James Church,  
Cnr Pollen & Pahau Streets, Thames.**

A cordial invitation is extended to all children to come along dressed as a Saint or an Angel or perhaps a Book Character, and enjoy a time of fun including Games, Sausage Sizzle, Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, Craft Making, Fancy Dress Parade and more.

Parents, grandparents, caregivers more than welcome, to watch over you.

This evening is FREE. The aim is to provide a safe environment for children on Halloween night. Children are taught not to take sweets/treats from strangers as Halloween encourages this behaviour.

The intention is to encourage children to enjoy a variety of activities and fun celebrating the evening before All Saints Day.

**Volunteer adults welcomed to help supervise games.**

*For more information contact  
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