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Personal strength Dear Lord, I come to you grateful for your love and understanding. Your spirit guides my day and gives me peace at night. Stay close to me Lord, give me your strength to lean on, your hand to guide me and your love to sustain me. **Amen**

Pray for: The Church –

For those who are sick: Thelma Holman, Laura, Joyce H, David R, Arthur R, Dale N.

For those with an ongoing need: Debbie, Brooke, Ryan, Donna, Joyce, Sandra T, Kelly, Jan and Kimberly.

Remembering those who have joined God in the eternal life: Janet Nicholls

Congratulations to Sonja Nugent for her Ordination, we pray for her as she settles into new Ministry, including Cummins and the Coastal cluster once a month.

Prayers for our centres

Port Lincoln

Pray for a blessed and Holy Christmas Season.

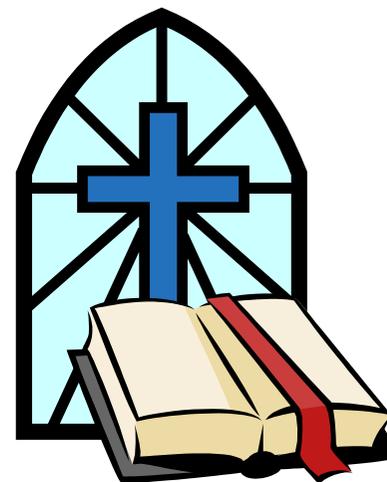
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Pray for a blessed and Holy Christmas Season.

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7th January 2018

Sunday the Baptism of our Lord

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THE PRAYER PAGE

A Prayer for the Parish of Port Lincoln

Father help us to be a Church that is a welcoming, caring, and meaningful community. A community which enjoys the celebration of the sacraments and has a passion to proclaim the Gospel of Christ.

A community which reaches out to others, sharing the love of God with them.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Loving God,
your Son came to seek the lost,
and was baptised with sinners:
grant that we, who have been baptised in his name,
may reach out in love to those in need
with the mercy of Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God,
Who anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit
And revealed him as your beloved Son:
Inspire us, your children,
Who are born again of water and the Spirit,
To surrender our lives to your service,
That we may rejoice to be called your children;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Ask God to raise up the right lay leaders for Paraburdoo Anglican and to bless their encouragement of one another and witness to the lost. Pray that Christ's body in Paraburdoo will be a wonderful unified diverse people, glorifying Jesus.

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The Baptism of our Lord [Ordinary Sunday 1]
– Sunday 7 January 2018

- Genesis 1.1-5; Psalm 29;
Acts 19.1-7; Mark 1.4-11

Today the Psalmist tells us 'The voice of the Lord is upon the waters: the God of glory thunders, the Lord upon the great waters'. St Mark tells us that the voice says, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' May we hear that thunderous voice and follow Jesus Christ, the one beloved by God.

- Pray that you may live your life so that God may say of you, 'You are my Son / You are my Daughter, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased'
- Pray for the Anglican Church of Australia, giving thanks for all that is done in the twenty-three dioceses of our Church to further God's mission in the world.

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This Week's Events

Thursday: 10.30 am - APBA Healing Eucharist Service

Friday: Op Shop – open from **9 am to 3 pm** in the Parish Hall.

NEXT SUNDAY 14th January 2018,
14th January 2018 **9 am** St Thomas
 11 am at St Matthias', Lake Wangary.

OP SHOP IN PARISH HALL – 9am to 3pm

Fresh fruit and vegetables are welcome early in the day. Clean shopping bags, clean clothes, and household utensils, knick knacks etc welcome. For safety, please do not bring in electrical items. Offers to help in the shop on the roster, and to set out and put away, are always welcome.



The Baptism of Our Lord

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7th January 2018

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A reading from the book of Genesis,

Chapter 1 beginning at Verse 1

¹ In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. [NRSV Genesis 1:1-5]

Hear the word of the Lord, ***thanks be to God***

Psalm 29 [Page 248 APBA]

- ¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven:
ascribe to the Lord glory and might.
- ² Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name:
O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness.
- ³ The voice of the Lord is upon the waters:
the God of glory thunders,
the Lord upon the great waters.
- ⁴ The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation:
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.
- ⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar-trees:
the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.
- ⁶ He makes them skip like a calf:
Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the Lord divides the lightning-flash:
the voice of the Lord whirls the sands of the desert,
the Lord whirls the desert of Kadesh.
- ⁸ The voice of the Lord rends the terebinth trees,
and strips bare the forests:
in his temple all cry 'Glory.'
- ⁹ The Lord sits enthroned above the water-flood:
the Lord sits enthroned as a king for ever.

¹⁰ The Lord will give strength to his people:
the Lord will give to his people the blessing of peace.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles,

Chapter 19 beginning at Verse 1

¹ While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. ² He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." ³ Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." ⁴ Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." ⁵ On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶ When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied - ⁷ altogether there were about twelve of them.

[NRSV Acts 19:1-7]

Hear the word of the Lord, ***thanks be to God.***

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark,

Chapter 1 beginning at Verse 4

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

¹³ John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸ I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." [NRSV Mark 1:4-11]

This is the Gospel of the Lord, ***praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.***

Sentence

God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; and he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.