

Parish Lunch with Bishop Jeremy Greaves

11:30am/12noon TODAY at Le Relais Bressan Café Flaxton

Cost \$30.00 per person. Bookings - Shirley (St Luke's) Carole (St Mary's) Susan (St George's). Direct deposit - CBA BSB: 064 424 A/c No.:1012 2981 A/c Name: Anglican Parish of Maleny. Ref your name/s. **Join us for lunch and fellowship.**



The Legend of St. George

St. George is the patron saint of England. His emblem, a red cross on a white background is the flag of England. St George's emblem was adopted by Richard the Lion Heart and brought to England in the 12th century. The king's soldiers wore it on their tunics to avoid confusion in battle.

St. George is believed to have been born in Cappadocia (now Eastern Turkey) in the year A.D. 270. He was a Christian and at the age of seventeen he joined the Roman army. He served under a pagan Emperor, but never forgot his Christian faith. When the pagan Emperor Diocletian started persecuting Christians, St. George

pleaded with the Emperor to spare their lives. However, St. George's pleas were ignored. It is thought that the Emperor Diocletian tried to make St. George deny his faith in Jesus by torturing him. St George showed incredible courage and faith and was beheaded near Lydda in Palestine on 23 April, 303. In 1222, the Council of Oxford declared April 23 to be St George's Day and in 1415, April 23 was made a national feast day. St George is patron saint not only of England but also of many other countries, such as Russia and Portugal and also patron saint of scouts, soldiers, archers and farmers.

Compassion

Quote of the Week

It is by the Spirit of God working through us that we can share the message of God's love with one another, and with those who do not know the love of God. There are many ways in which we can do this. Not the least of these is by showing compassion to each other. *Br David Allen SSJE*



Classic Clarinets of Brisbane

**Sunday 28 July at 2pm
St George's Maleny**

Tickets available from
Trish Bagshaw (0448 989 621) Susan Myring,
Carole Phillips and Shirley Moreland.
Booking sheets are at each Church.

**Tickets also available through
TryBooking.com.au**



Our vision is to
"Love one another as Jesus loves us"
Our mission is to
Obey Jesus' commandment,
"Love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12

**St George's Patronal Festival
28 April 2019**



Almighty God,
who gave to your servant George
boldness to confess
the name of Jesus Christ
and courage to die for this faith:
teach us always to be ready
to give a reason
for the hope that is in us,
and to suffer gladly for the sake
of our Lord and Saviour;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

WELCOME to our worship today and a special welcome to our
Bishop - The Right Rev'd Jeremy Greaves.

Please invite someone to join you and stay for
fellowship and refreshment after the Service.

TODAY'S SERVICES

Services:

St Mary's Montville

7:30am

St George's Maleny

9:00am

St Luke's Kenilworth

9:00am

Celebrants:

**The Right Rev'd Jeremy Greaves
(Bishop for Northern Region)**

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No Service Today

Readings for 5 May <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i> Acts 9.1-6 Psalm 30 Revelation 5.6-14 John 21.1-19	Readings for 12 May <i>Fourth Sunday After Easter</i> Acts 9.36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7.9-17 John 10.22-30
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Sentence of the Day: Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. *John 12.24*

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr George triumphed over suffering and was faithful event to death: grant that we, who now remember him in thanksgiving, may be so faithful in our witness to you in this world, that we may receive with him the crown of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

READINGS FOR THE DAY

**A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES
CHAPTER 11: BEGINNING AT THE 1ST VERSE: (Pew Bible page 895)**

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD THANKS BE TO GOD

Upcoming Events -

- TODAY** **St George's Patronal Festival - Bishop Jeremy Greaves**
7:30am St Mary's Montville 9:00am St George's Maleny
11:30am-12noon Parish Lunch - Le Relais Bresson
- Tuesday 30 April 1 - 3pm Pastoral Care follow up meeting
- Wednesday 01 May Mothers' Union Meeting St George's
- Tuesday 07 May Ladies Guild Meeting - St George's
- Tuesday 14 May 1pm Parish Council – St Mary's Montville
- Wednesday 15 May 9:30am Friends & Neighbours – St George's
- Tuesday 28 May 11am Erowal Communion Service Maleny
- Tuesday 04 June St George's Ladies Guild Morning Tea fundraiser at Tranquil Park Maleny
- Wednesday 05 June Mothers' Union Meeting St George's

Weekly Events
Meditation Groups - *Wednesdays 9:00am Montville and 11:00am Maleny*
Thursdays 9:00am Kenilworth
Prayer & Praise Night - Tuesdays 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm at the home of Neil and Judy Payne from Phone 5429 6544

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Retired Priests:
The Rev'd Derek Barrett, The Rev'd Kaye Pitman OAM, The Very Rev'd Chris Whittall OAM

Honorary Assistant Priest:
The Rev'd Ann Shepperson (Pastoral Care Coordinator Sunshine Coast University Hospital)

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Montville: Margaret Young 5445 7550 **Maleny:** Patricia Jackson 5494 2583

Pastoral Care Coordinators:
Kenilworth: Shirley Moreland 5446 0171 **Montville:** Carole Phillips 5445 7839

Acknowledgement of Country
As we gather in this Church, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Kabi Kabi and Jinibara people, and pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.

We ask your prayers:

- For peace and justice in the world: we pray particularly for those parts of the world that are in the news this week
- For **the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan):** †Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu, **Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido**
- For **The Parish of Eastern Hills Anglicans:** Chris Tyack
- For **Retired Bishops**
- For Churchwardens, Parish Councillors, Parish Nominators & Synod Representatives
- For people who are sick, in body, mind or spirit, for those whom we have listed in our bulletin, and for those known to us personally.
- Remembering the faithful departed & all those whose years mind occurs at this time.



Within our Parish

Maleny: Roger Byrne, Mabel Crosby, Margaret Drake, Matthew Dawson & Amelie

Montville: Keith Allwright and Christine Long

The Anglican Parish of Maleny in the Diocese of Brisbane is committed to protecting your privacy. The people on the list of the sick have personally requested prayers.

'Going For Growth in Christ' - Anglican Church Southern Queensland

Our Vision

Through: Knowing God and our faith more deeply Serving our communities more compassionately Making new disciples of Christ to impact the world more effectively Resourcing this mission more generously

Prayer

Living God, creator, redeemer, strengthener: enliven, guide and strengthen your Church in all you send us to do. By your Holy Spirit enable us to grow - in faith, in service, in generous giving; and add to your Church new disciples that your saving, reconciling, recreating work may go forward, **Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Call to worship (St George)

Take up the whole armour of God. Fasten the belt of truth about your waist. Put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. Take the shield of faith. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. *(Based on Ephesians 6.13-17)*

Prayer of confession (St. George)

St George was brave! He stood up for Jesus and for what was right; he risked his life fighting the dragon and setting people free from fear; he died for Jesus and for his Christian friends.

Dear God,

We are not as brave as we would like to be.

We remember the times when we have run away, or got angry or panicky, or turned our back when you wanted us to speak the truth and hold firm.

We know you love us and want us to be our best selves, so we ask you to wipe out those times and to fill us with your peace.

Help us to know that you are always at our side so that we don't need to be afraid.

Show us how to overcome evil with good, like Jesus did, and like St George.

Amen.

PSALM 42.1-7 (A Prayer Book for Australia page265)

We say alternate verses

As a deer longs for the running brooks: so longs my soul for you, O God.

My soul is thirsty for God, thirsty for the living God: when shall I come and see his face?

My tears have been my food day and night: while they ask me all day long 'Where now is your God?'

As I pour out my soul by myself, I remember this: how I went to the house of the Mighty One, into the temple of God,

To the shouts and songs of thanksgiving: a multitude keeping high festival.

Why are you so full of heaviness, my soul: and why so unquiet within me?

O put your trust in God: for I will praise him yet, who is my deliverer and my God.

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

CHAPTER 3: BEGINNING AT THE 16TH VERSE:

(Pew Bible page 990)

We know love by this, that the Son of God laid down his life for us - and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

THANKS BE TO GOD

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

CHAPTER 10: BEGINNING AT THE 11TH VERSE:

(Pew Bible page 872)

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away - and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

FOR THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

PRAISE TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST

REFLECTIONS FROM OUR ARCHBISHOP

Living in harmony with difference

Each year the bishops and the heads of Anglican schools in southern Queensland spend two days together to reflect, converse and pray. We did so again last month. Each year we choose a book to read beforehand as a kind of catalyst or thought provoker for our time together. This year's book was *Other*, by Kester Brewin, an English maths teacher and theologian. Brewin is fascinated by the question 'what kind of selves do we need to be in order to live in harmony with others?' Brewin thinks the key is found in Jesus' summary of the law: love God and love your neighbour as yourself. So he explores how you can love yourself, even 'the other' within yourself (the bits we don't like and try to hide or even bits we don't know about); how can you love your neighbour, even those whom you find strange and off-putting; and how can you love God who is totally other and strangest of all.

Our world desperately needs answers to these questions if we are to avoid descending into chaotic violence where the strongest rule by annihilating the weaker. Violence can be physical violence with firearms and other weapons. It can be verbal, shouting louder and longer than opponents. More and more violence is digital: bullying, campaigns of outrage, manipulation. We see it everywhere. Our TV's and smartphones are full of it.

The national bishops meeting also occurred in March. It had a similar theme: living with theological difference. Our conversations this year centred on same-sex relationships and marriage. There are considerable differences in theological views, yes even among the bishops. How can we live in harmony as one church when we have deep convictions that seem to be directly opposed to each other? In families, in schools, in workplaces, in churches there is increasing diversity of all sorts: diversity of identity and sense of self, gender diversity, diversity in sexual orientation, different interpretations of the bible, different perceptions of God and what God expects of us. In wider society and internationally this diversity is multiplied and amplified many times over: different faiths, different ideologies, different political theories, different values, different economic frameworks.

Love God and love your neighbour as yourself. It sounds straight forward. But, as Kester Brewin reminds us:

"It is easy to love what is lovely, but we are called to love what is other.
It is easy to love what is familiar, but we are called to love what is strange.
It is easy to love what is comforting, but we are called to love what is disturbing..."
'What kind of selves do we need to be in order to live in harmony with others?'

With every blessing for the Easter season, Archbishop Phillip Aspinall

John Bell Events in Brisbane

John Bell is an inspiring hymn writer, liturgist, author and occasional broadcaster with The Iona Community based in Glasgow.

Is there a future in tradition?

A day conference featuring John Bell Saturday 18 May, 9 am to 2 pm - Cost: \$20 Register online <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/john-bell-conference-tickets-59800812841> Hosted by The Parish of Robina in collaboration with the PMC.

An evening of global song and liturgy, led by John Bell

Thursday 16 May, 6.30 pm to 9 pm St John's Cathedral Brisbane.
Free (no RSVP required).

FOOD PANTRY - NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE: May's request : Pasta

To prepare for next month - **June's request : Weetbix or similar**

THE ART AND SCIENCE OF LOVE



Two Day Workshop for Couples

St Peter's, Southport 25-26 May 2019

Strengthen bonds and learn to live in harmony. The two-day workshop is for couples in a committed relationship. Developed from 40 years of research it provides insights and tools to foster further closeness, friendship and trust. Registrations close 25 April. Contact Parish Office on 5532 8978 if you would like to register or Richard Woolland on 0490 749 930 for further information.

Youth, Children's & Families Ministry

DR ANDREW ROOT BRISBANE VISIT MID-AUGUST 2019

Andrew Root is a well-known and respected teacher at the Luther Seminary in St Paul, USA and an expert in the world of youth, families, and the ways in which faith and culture collide. We are incredibly excited to announce that he will be coming to Brisbane to share some of his wisdom and knowledge with us. So make sure to keep an eye out here and through our other channels for more information and to book your spot.

More information available at www.facebook.com/brisangyouth/

Upcoming Street Stalls

Saturday 08 June - Kenilworth	Friday 13 September - Maleny
Wednesday 26 June - Maleny	Saturday 23 November - Kenilworth
Saturday 17 August - Kenilworth	Friday 06 December - Maleny

St George's Ladies Guild Morning Tea Fundraiser

Tuesday 4 June at Tranquil Park Maleny

Tickets \$20.00 per person

Supporting Bloomhill Cancer Care

Tickets available SOON



Parish Garage Sale end of August

*** Plants * Cake & Preserve Stall * Books * CDs * Clothing * Trash N Treasure * Furniture & Household Goods etc.**

In preparation for a Garage Sale at the end of August would you please consider potting plant cuttings and putting aside items you would like to donate to any of the stalls. Let the office know if you need or have extra pots available for plants.

Deadline for Weekly Pew Sheet - Items need to be at the office by Tuesday afternoon.