

# Parish Press

**Sunday November 17th, 2024**

## **Sentence**

*The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed. 1 Samuel 2.10*

## **Prayer of the Day**

O God,  
welcoming refuge for the outcast,  
and upholder of justice for the oppressed:  
maintain the hope of the poor,  
so that the time may soon come  
when no one need want for food and shelter,  
and all will learn to share freely  
following the example of your Son, who gave his very self;  
who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Readings**

1 Samuel 1.4-20	Page (OT) 190
Song of Hannah	APBA p439
Hebrews 10.11-14 (15-18) 19-25	Page 175
Mark 13.1-11	Page 38

## **Today's services are**

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Sung Holy Communion Service followed by morning tea

5pm Youth Group

This week we pray for all who live in James Street, Surrey Hills

***For I am the LORD your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you. (Isaiah 41.13)***

**- A Christian Presence in Our Community -**

## Mark's Ponderings

Evangelist Billy Sunday once told the story of an assistant who had been sent by D. L. Moody into a dangerous part of the city of Chicago to try to preach the gospel to a group of social anarchists. It was an unlikely audience. "Do the best you can," Moody advised the man, "and some night I'll come down and help you." The man later told Billy Sunday that Moody's promise had been an incentive to do his very best. "He didn't know when Mr. Moody would come," Sunday recounted, "so he looked for him every night, and the harder time he had, the harder he hoped and looked."

This is the same incentive given to Christ's followers as they approach the end of the age. Jesus warned His disciples that as the end of the age draws near, the difficulties facing the church will increase. False teaching, natural disasters, and wars will all mark what Jesus refers to as "the beginning of birth pains." This metaphor implies that such troubles will only increase as the day of Christ's return draws near.

According to Jesus, all of this was to be foreshadowed by the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem. This was fulfilled in 70 A.D. when the Roman general Titus attacked Jerusalem in an effort to subdue a revolt. During the campaign against Jerusalem soldiers set fire to the temple chambers and the sanctuary. The entire temple area was soon ablaze. This tragedy prefigured even greater destruction to come shortly before Christ's return. At that time the "abomination that causes desolation," an event predicted in the book of Daniel, will appear on the scene and mark the beginning of the end.

Although there has been much disagreement among believers about the exact timing of the events described in today's passage, Jesus' ultimate message is very clear. Since no one knows the exact day and time when He will return, those of us who belong to Christ should live with a sense of daily expectation. We must not be discouraged by the trials we face but should make every effort to proclaim the gospel while there is still time.

God bless

Mark

**Congratulations to Garry and Maureen Ireland for their 60th Wedding Anniversary on the 21/11 !!**

## **Treasures and Tastes at Trinity Market**

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with our Market yesterday!

## **Youth Group**

Our next Youth Group is on TONIGHT at 5pm!!

## **Holy Trinity Sunday Morning Tea Roster 2025**

The roster will be based on this year's roster, assuming that everyone is happy with that. If you wish to drop out, please let me know. If you would like to be included on the roster, (we would appreciate the help!) please let me know. Many thanks to all those wonderful supporters who assist with helping provide such a great service on Sunday mornings.  
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## **Women's Breakfast**

The Women's Breakfast for Saturday 30th November. We will have a "Christmassy" breakfast, complete with a lucky dip plus an exchange of Christmas stories and traditions.

## **Parish A.G.M Sunday November 24 at 11am**

Nomination forms available in Narthex. Annual reports available November 17th.

## **Parish Prayer List**

Helen Burston, Stephen Binns, William Stewart (Stu) Parry, Robyn Foskett, Thelma Fiddymont, Rachel Hayman, Bruce Knox, Helen Morris, John and Sally James, Pam Dewar, Edith Jenkins, Sue Hand, Ann Constable, Gwen Jackson, Verna Hubert, Murray Sumpter, Hayden Daley.

## **We remember**

We give you thanks for your servants in every age. Grant that we, with all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom. Annie Ruth Gibbins, Sean Dillon, Thora McGill, Susan Lovell, Margaret James, Gordon Lindsay Jones.

## **Hope 25 Prayer**

God of Hope

you call on us to be your witnesses in this uncertain world;

by your Spirit awaken in us

a true vision of your kingdom,

a greater certainty of our salvation, and

a deeper dedication to your service;

that through our words and actions the same Spirit may

bring many who are lost to be found,

and for them to celebrate the hope

that we can only have in Jesus Christ,

in whose name we pray. Amen

## This Week at Holy Trinity

Tuesday

9.30-12.30 Office Hours

Wednesday

10am Service of Thanksgiving  
and Healing

Thursday

9.30-12.30 Office Hours  
10am Parish Prayer Service  
7.30pm Choir Practice

Sunday

8am Holy Communion  
9.30am Holy Communion  
Service followed by morning  
tea  
**11am Parish A.G.M**

## Readings this week

Monday Luke 18.35-43

Tuesday Luke 19.1-10

Wednesday Luke 19.11-28

Thursday Luke 19.41-44

Friday Luke 19.45-48

Saturday Luke 20.27-40

**Sunday**  
**2 Samuel 23.1-7,**  
**Psalm 93,**  
**Revelation 1.4b-8,**  
**John 18.33-37**

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