



Alstonville Anglicans

Transfiguration

Bulletin for Wed 27 Feb–Sun 3 Mar 2019

We acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional custodians of the land, on which we worship, work and meet, the Bundjalung people. We recognize the significant role the past and future Elders play in the life of the region. We are mindful that within and without the beautiful sandstone church, the Land always was and always will be Aboriginal Land.



God's dream, God's purpose is carried out by the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Love. Who or what is the Holy Spirit? The Spirit is the Bond of Love whose very identity is to be the Love-Bond uniting all and transforming and transfiguring all that it unites. The Transformation that love brings about is God's dream for the world.

Our transfiguration calling is to be so filled with God's presence, the Holy Spirit, that we become a source of the Presence of Love for others. The very Presence of Love in our lives transfigures us so that we shine out with love.

The transformation that love brings about is God's dream, but it is also our dream. Our deepest desire is for our lives and our world to be transformed by love. War, pain, darkness and disease are not God's dream, but it is not our dream either. With God we long for a world transfigured by love. It is written into our DNA: "And we all, who with **unveiled faces** contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord". (2 Corinthians 3)

**Please note a hearing loop is installed on the right hand side of St Barts.
Please turn off your mobile phone during worship. Toilets are located in the front of the Hall.
First Aid Kits are located in the Church & the Hall.**

Luke 9:28-36

²⁸ Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray.²⁹ And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white.³⁰ Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him.³¹ They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.³² Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him.³³ Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said.³⁴ While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud.³⁵ Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"³⁶ When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Auction of Promises



Saturday 9th March at 6.00pm in support of Heartfelt House. Roll up! Roll up! Now is the time to purchase your tickets for an evening of fun, frivolity, friendship and great deals. Tickets are \$15, including a delicious dinner, and are now available at the church office. But of course, you can't have an Auction of Promises if no one puts anything forward to be auctioned. So, get your thinking caps on and

submit your promises to the office as soon as possible. Suggested promises might include: lawn mowing, window washing, car washing, ironing, dinner for 2 (your place or mine), cakes, casseroles, drawings, paintings, gardening etc etc. There is a multitude of things that can be offered and, if you can't come along, you can still submit a promise.

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Bible Readings

3rd Mar Exodus 34:29-35 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Luke 9:28-36

10th Mar Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-15

Piano

In consultation with the organists, the choir and the leaders I have negotiated to have the clavinova moved to the back of the church alongside the sound desk. This will take place from the 17th March. There are three good reasons why I have deemed it necessary to make this adjustment.

1. For our Families@4 service, the parents will engage with the theme in the side Chapel area and the clavinova creates an unnatural barrier between where the children will be and where the parents will be.
2. We believe the congregational singing will improve with the choir giving us a strong lead from the back. The lighting for them is also better there.
3. We want to offer the ministry of prayer during communion and the side chapel provides a space for this.



Wheelchair Sunday

The wheelchairs here today provides an opportunity for us as People of the Way to stand in solidarity with those who often experience exclusion from society. You are invited to borrow one of the chairs to "walk a mile in their shoes". There are wheelchairs available in the church and fact sheets at the back of the church.

Ash Wednesday

There will be an 8.00am service on Ash Wednesday 6th March. This service will include the imposition of Ashes. Anam Cara will follow as normal at 9.00am.



Families@4 Today!

Our Families@4 Service commences Sunday 3rd March at 4.00pm. An imaginative, creative approach to spiritual guidance. Suitable for faith seekers and families

Wave of Prayer 3rd March

MU members will lead The Wave of Prayer today. @ 8.00am

Lenten Studies

We have Lenten study books available in the office for \$10 each. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you are interested in participating.

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We give thanks to God for those who contribute to sharing the good life through this church electronically. **BSB: 705 077 / Acc: 40130**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Today	3rd Mar	4.00pm	Sunday@4 commences
		6.00pm	Sunday@6 (5.30pm for a cuppa)
Monday	4th Mar	1.00pm	Sew Helpful
		6.30pm	Marriage Course
Tuesday	5th Mar	1.30pm	Life Group at Carol Stone's home
Wednesday	6th Mar	8.00am	Ash Wednesday Service
		9.00am	Meditation Group, St Bart's
		3.30pm	Property Committee Meeting
		4.00pm	Messy Church Meeting
Thursday	7th Mar	9.30am	Play Place
		3.30pm	Op Shop Committee Meeting
		6.00pm	Contemplative Church, St Bart's
Friday	8th Mar	10.00am	Holy Communion, St Bart's
		2.00pm	Choir
Saturday	9th Mar	6.00pm	Auction of Promises
Sunday Lent 1	10th Mar	8.00am	Holy Communion, St Bart's
		10.00am	Holy Communion St Peter & St Paul's
		4.00pm	Sunday@4
		5.30pm	Cuppa then Sunday@6, St Bart's

Rosters Sunday 10th March 8.00am (2nd Sunday team)

Person in Charge: Margaret Brown **Worship Leader:** Iris Cowie

Music: Ros Sharp **Cleaning:** Barry & Barb Campey **Sound:** Shane McBurney

Flowers: Gladys Charter, Carol Vidal, Helen Dobbie