

## SERVICE TIMES

**Sunday Services** 8am traditional  
10:30am family contemporary

**Wednesday Services** 10am

**Wooli Services** 2nd Saturday of the Month at 5pm

## EASTER SERVICES ?????

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK-

**Genesis 12. 1-4a**

**Romans 4. 1-5, 4. 13-17**

**Psalms 13**

**John 3. 1-7**



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**1ST MARCH 6TH MARCH FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES

We warmly welcome Bishop Murray to our services today. If this is your first time here, please make yourself known to the welcomers. All are invited to stay for a cuppa and a chat after the service. We would love to get to know you better.

**A TASTE OF SUNDAY'S SERMON.—REV TIM**

I cannot really give a taster for this Sunday's sermon, because I am not preaching. What I can write about the passage from the Gospel of Matthew that leads us into the season of Lent is this: if Jesus is real, so is sin and so is Satan. No, I will not give Satan a capital S. He is not worthy of it.

Right away, we see a subtle nuance that is often overlooked. Was Jesus tempted or tested by Satan? Is there a difference?

Firstly, we acknowledge that Jesus is indeed God made flesh. Therefore if God cannot be tempted, Jesus wasn't either. The other contributing factor to this argument is that we shouldn't assume Satan to be a fool. He is smarter than many, as he is able to draw very intelligent people to follow his ways away from Christ.

In this passage, we can therefore make a good assumption that because he knows his fate, he is still going to flamboyantly show Jesus what could have been if he had the Son of God on his side.

His 'testing' was in a sense, to find out for himself if Jesus was really the Son of God. 'If you are the Son of God' do this or that and show me... End of the day, Satan knew exactly who he was. It was the last opportunity for Satan to have a one on one with Jesus Christ. But unlike the one who leads a multitude to destruction, Jesus doesn't respond with slight of hand or trickery. He is the REAL DEAL. Don't fall for the call of the false one. Our lifetime is short. Choose wisely.

**OPENING SENTENCE: READINGS** We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Matthew 4.4

Genesis 2.15 - 17, 3 1-7  
Romans 5. 12-21

Psalm 32  
Matthew 4. 1-11



*Follow Me-Satan (Temptation of Jesus Christ), Ilya Repin 1903*

#### **DAY 1**

I have come that you might have life in all its fullness. John 10v10b

**PARISH: Alstonville:** The Reverend Dr Desiree Snyman (Marius Mulder)  
The Reverend Geoff Vidal (Carol) The Reverend John Kidson (Chris)

Licensed Lay Ministers: Cathi Angus Iris Cowie Diana Eagles  
Barbara Fewtrell Bruce Fleming Charlie Handley Mark Stuckey

Please Pray: Please join with us as we pray for: • ministry to children, youth and families

**THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA:** Primate: Archbishop Philip Freier (Joy) (until March 2020) General Secretary: Anne Hywood General Synod Office Staff The General Synod and the Standing Committee

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Chris Cable Gwen Boman, David Bailey

Church Wardens

Nominators

Alan Boman and Francis Kean

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

##### **KIDS MUSICAL PLAYTIME:**

Term One has commenced Friday weekly 9.30am. All parents, grandparents and carers welcome.

**STITCHES :** Stitches meet weekly Tuesday at 9.15am

**Do you have the desire to serve at our TEN30 service?** Grab a form off the back table, and drop it off to Reverend Tim and be prepared to dive in the deep end

##### **Volunteers For Brass Cleaning**

We are still seeking volunteers please let Chris Cable or Gwen Bowman know if you can help. "Many hands make light work".

##### **Lenten Study at Chris & Jan Nelson's House**

The first of 6 sessions starts at 6pm Wednesday 26 February at 6pm . A contribution to a shared Supper afterwards would be appreciated . For more information Phone 66447973.

##### **BIBLE STUDY AT THE NELSON'S - NO STUDY 4 MARCH**

Please be advised that there will be no Bible Study this coming Wednesday 4 March. We will be resuming our study on 11 March.

All are welcome - even if you can only come occasionally.

Ring 6644 7973 if you want more information.

##### **World Day of Prayer Friday 6th March 10 am at Connect Church**

(69 Wharf Street South Grafton) There will be a planning meeting for "World Day of Prayer"

**BCA Mission Boxes** —please return to Joyce for collection

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