



Anglican Parish of Bass-Phillip Island
St Augustine's, San Remo St Paul's, Bass
St Philip's, Cowes

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Choose Hope, Love, Justice

MON 17 th	10.00am - 1.30pm Mary Talbot Room open
TUES 18 th	1.30pm Parish Council, Emmaus Room, Cowes
WED 19 th	10.00am - 1.30pm Mary Talbot Room open
THURS 20 th	10.00am Holy Communion at St Philip's, Cowes
FRI 21 st	2.00pm set-up for Book Sales
SAT 22 nd	Rev'd Jo's Day off BOOK SALES + Cake Stall
SUN 23 rd	Book Sales 9.30am Holy Communion at St Philip's, Cowes 11.00am Holy Communion at St Augustine's, San Remo 12.30pm Holy Communion, St Paul's, Bass

Bookings are no longer required

CURRENT COVID-19 Information

Please register your attendance using our QR code or sign in using our kiosk.

Please use the hand sanitiser provided

Please wear a mask indoors.

Please be assured that our facilities are cleaned thoroughly after every worship service.



We meet for worship on the lands of the Bunurong people; Gunaikurnai people; Woi-Wurrung people and wish to acknowledge them as the Traditional Owners. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

This week's roster 16th January 2022

St Philip's - Welcome: W. Gladman & A. Prideaux; Reader: F. Leighton; Intercessions: J. Wright; Vestry: C. Hill; PowerPoint: F. Zulian; Music: K. Kent; Morning tea: M. Zulian

St Augustine's – L. Alexander & G. Ippel

St Paul's – Reader: A. Gloria; Prayers: E. Humphry; Chalice: B. Maghanoy

Next week's roster 23rd January 2022

St Philip's - Welcome: W. Gladman & J. Stephenson; Reader: M. Wright; Intercessions: R. Gijsbers; Vestry: C. Hill; PowerPoint: J. Bell; Music: G. Gijsbers; Morning tea: L. Wenham

St Augustine's

St Paul's - Reader: Ro. Hayhurst; Prayers: Rh. Hayhurst; Chalice: Rh. Hayhurst

– Please contact Wendy Gladman regarding St Philip's roster gladmanwendy@gmail.com

This week's readings– Second after Epiphany – Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

Next week's readings – Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31; Luke 4:14-21

Please Note:

During January 2022 our 4.00pm service at St Philip's will be in recess. We will return in February with a new format.

SOMETHING FOR THE CHILDREN Glenys has subscribed to a weekly children's activity sheet. The activities follow the lectionary. If you have grandchildren coming to a service or know of children attending she would be happy to forward this on to you so you can print out as needed. You can email her on glenys.stacs@gmail.com

The Sentence of the Day

Jesus revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

The Collect of the Day

Bountiful God, whose Son revealed his glory at Cana of Galilee: help us to believe and obey, so that, as our Saviour promised, we may be filled with the wine of new life and show forth his joy and love; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.

²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.

⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

[Silence]

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 36: 5-10

Your unfailing kindness, O Lord, is in the heavens:

And your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains:

And your justice as the great deep; you O Lord, save both man and beast.

How precious, O God, is your enduring kindness:

The children of Adam shall take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

They shall be satisfied with the good things of your house:

And you will give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the well of life:

And in your light shall we see light.

O continue your merciful kindness toward these who know you:

And your righteous dealing to those that are true of heart.

(Response)

Glory to God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

As in the beginning so now, and forever. Amen

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

[Silence]

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 2 beginning at verse 1

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

[Silence]

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

SECOND AFTER EPIPHANY



This season in the church's year is sometimes called ordinary or in the case of our tradition 'after epiphany'. This time can feel a bit strange after all the excitement and festivities of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany have concluded. It's like a little gap, a time of rest and refreshment before we begin our Lenten journey for another year. We probably feel like a bit of a rest after all the busyness of family, tourists and the intensity of what has happened over the holiday season. For some of us that's been fun

for others it has been challenging and stressful and sometimes even sad. So, let us simply acknowledge what that is for and recognised that God hears us when we cry to him; God knows our joys and our sorrows and sends his Son Jesus to us.

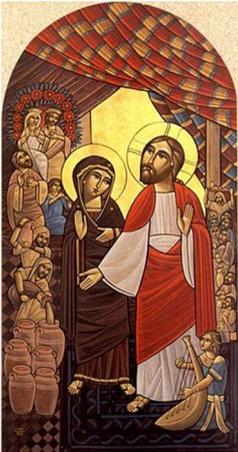
Sometimes the set readings for the day can stand rather baldly in the scene and we might find ourselves wondering what is going on. That's certainly the case today as we witness the first of Jesus' miracles – The Wedding at Cana.

Let's set the scene as John records it in chapter one of his gospel. John the Baptist has baptised Jesus in the river Jordan and as we heard last week the Holy Spirit has anointed Jesus for his ministry. What follows is the acknowledgment of the first disciples here is Jesus the Lamb of God (who in John's words takes away the sin of the world) these two men: Andrew and Simon decide to follow Jesus. The very next day they are joined by Philip and Nathanael who also decide to follow Jesus calling him Rabbi, Son of God and King of Israel.

John uses the literary device of days to carry us along and so we come to the third day when there is a wedding in Cana of Galilee.

We might be wanting a bit of a rest after the busyness of the season but there is no rest for Jesus or his followers. They are guests at a wedding. Such weddings included festivities that normally lasted a week. They really knew how to have a party. When the wine ran out at such an event the bridegroom, whose responsibility it was to provide the wine, would highly embarrassed. [I can't help but recall the importance of the bridegroom when referring Jesus himself – and what does Jesus do but provide the wine.] But I am taking us off track here.

Let's enter the scene by looking at Jesus' mother, Mary. In John's gospel this is her first appearance. St John depicts Mary as involved at the beginning of Jesus ministry and again at the end of it (on Calvary). Mary is thus associated with the whole of Jesus ministry. Without the affirmative action of Mary; without her faith in her son there would be no miracle at Cana. When we pull out what she says we find some useful prayer points.



Firstly Mary says to her son: **They have no wine.**

In this statement Mary identifies the problem - the lack of wine. Some have interpreted this as showing Mary's sensitivity to a dilemma that she cannot solve herself and yet she knows who to ask; she knows who can help. Her comment to Jesus demonstrates her faith in him who she knows is the one to solve the problem. Jesus, God's beloved Son with whom he is well pleased, it is He who having been anointed by the Holy Spirit, can bring forth wine from these empty vessels.

It was the bridegroom's responsibility to provide the wine. Jesus will provide more than wine he will provide the sacrifice represented by the cup of wine shared at his last meal with the disciples. John clearly identifies Jesus as the bridegroom in chapter three saying:

²⁸ You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, 'I am not the Messiah, but I have been sent ahead of him.' ²⁹ He who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. For this reason my joy has been fulfilled. ³⁰ He must increase, but I must decrease."

The faith of Mary is a trusting in Jesus to provide the solution. In prayer, can we trust Jesus to bring a solution to our problems? Let Jesus give us rest, let Jesus soothe our stress and worry. Let Jesus tend to our grieving and sense of loss.

Then Mary says to the servants: **Do whatever he tells you.**

Again we notice the faith of Mary. The servants do as they are instructed by the 'bridegroom' who is in this case Jesus.

We are servants of Jesus. As followers of Christ we have chosen to listen to Jesus and do whatever he tells us. Such devotion sounds easy but of course it is incredibly hard. In prayer we submit to Christ and ask him to show us; tell us what it is he wants of us. I putting ourselves aside; putting our our wants, our needs, our ambition to one side we are in effect creating a space of listening in which Jesus can tell us, his servants, what he want us to do. Christian meditation is one way to create this listening space in our souls.



The miracle at Cana links this Sunday with the feast of the Epiphany and with Jesus' Baptism because each is an epiphany, each reveals the glory of Jesus. This event, like the other epiphanies sheds light on who Jesus is for us. Even as his light shines brightly we are blinded by his brightness so that we must shade our eyes. Because of His brightness we can find ourselves wanting to minimise or explain the miracles of Jesus. Let's not do that.

The purpose of Jesus' miracles is always as a sign of the breaking in to this world of the kingdom of God. They are about showing who Jesus is – the Messiah comes.

In this first of seven signs selected by John (turning water into wine) we see the prophecy of Isaiah chapter 62 fulfilled. Jerusalem lay in ruins and Israel, once God's bride, was now like a widow bereft of children. God, Israel's husband has not forgotten her. There will be a new wedding feast. Jesus ushers in this new feast and the sign that this is fulfilled is the generous overflowing of wine for the wedding. And this is not just any wine this is the good wine, the best wine.

The great love of God is revealed in the Son.
We can bring all our needs and concerns to him.
And do whatever he tell us.

PRAYERS

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

Lord Jesus, we trust you and we rely on you to work miracles in our lives. And so today we pray that there might be healing for the world; that the dreaded pestilence of the Corona Virus will be extinguished. We pray too for those who are affected by all kinds of natural disaster; fire, flood, famine, typhoon that there will be help, real help sent to them and that we might play our part in helping those in other countries to enjoy the bounty we have here in Australia. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, we trust you and as your servants in the church we seek your bidding. Tell us what you would have us do. We open ourselves to your leading and guidance as we seek to be the church in this place. We pray your blessing on our Bishop Richard and our Archdeacon Graham as they shepherd the clergy and people of this region.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, you turned water into wine; turn the ordinariness of people's lives into joy and delight. We pray for those who are tired, overworked or feeling stressed and wrung out. Bring to all a strengthening of their faith in you. Bring healing and wholeness. We pray for the sick

and those who find hope hard to find. Help us and them to cast all our cares upon you and not be afraid to ask for your help in our time of need.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus you are our Messiah the one in whom all God's promises are fulfilled. We pray for the dear departed, remembering those dearest to us now.

God we thank you that in Christ death is overcome and the resurrection to eternal life is promised to all who believe in Him.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory

For ever and for ever. Amen.

Prayer



Suggested hymns:

All My Hope on God is Founded (TIS 164)

The Great Love of God is revealed in the Son (TIS 164)

Christians Lift your Hearts and Voices (TIS 540)

You Shall Go Out With Joy (TIS 755)

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers, feeding us with your word, and encouraging us in our meeting together.

Offertory

Thank you for your weekly offering it is much needed. During this COVID-19 period and post COVID-19 your offering can be made by either:

- Placing in the offering bowl at any church service. Use plain envelope if preferred
- Please make cheques payable to Anglican Parish Bass-Phillip Island
- Regular or one-off contributions can be made by internet banking to the Parish bank account, using Pay ID 0407410011 (or BSB & Acct No. below)
- Visit any Bendigo Bank branch and deposit cash or cheque to Anglican Parish Bass/Phillip Island BSB: 633 000 / Account Number: 169 629 797. Please put on deposit slip: "Offertory" or "Donation" indicating your usual congregation
- If in Cowes, drop your offering in the donation box at St Philip's, Cowes (located outside the front door of the Church)



ST PHILIP'S – We recommend parking in the church grounds. Parking in Thompson Avenue is restricted to 1 hour only. 2 hours for those with a Disabled Parking Permit

PARISH HOME GROUPS please contact leaders for information

Emmaus Room – Wednesdays 1st & 3rd 2.00pm Leader: Richard and Ann Prideaux

Palms Group – in recess until 2022 Contact Wendy Gladman

San Remo Group –Wednesdays 1st & 3rd 2.00pm in the Mary Talbot Room Leader: John Dawson

Bass Home Group – in recess until 2022 Leader: Sandy & Les Ridge

DIARY DATES

Friday 21st – Sunday 23rd January - School Holiday Book Sale

31st Jan – 14th Feb - Annual Leave for Rev'd Jo

Please pray for:
 Rene Foulkes, Sue Chambers, Mike Heflingers, Kath Kent, Len Chatfield, Rev'd Gerald Wall, Tom Sansom, David Foulkes, Terry Duffield, Jacque Sansom, Margaret Smith
 If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please tell Rev'd Jo



NEW SERVICE of Prayer Praise and Proclamation commencing Sunday 20th February 4.00pm St Philip's Cowes with a barbeque tea to follow at 4.45pm

St Philip's **FLOWER FUND** needs feeding
 There is a box in the foyer where you can leave your donations.

Mary Talbot Room – Volunteers to go on a monthly

roster are always welcome. Please let Rev'd Jo know if you can help. Cooks are always welcome to provide the ever popular biscuits, jams and pickles. Reimbursement for the cost of ingredients can be arranged. Rev'd Jo is happy to deliver your baking to MTR as needed.



Can you help?
 Volunteers needed on 2nd Saturday of the month to assist with serving Devonshire Teas and at the Sausage Sizzle.

Learn a new skill - We are training new vestry helpers and Eucharistic assistants. Speak to Rev'd Jo if you would like to help.



Helpful websites

Parish website www.anglicanparishbassphillipisland.org

Dioceses of Gippsland website www.gippsanglican.org.au

Facebook www.facebook.com/stphilipscowes

You can help Refugees by putting items in the basket at St Philip's. Most needed items include: honey, tuna in oil, tinned tomatoes, tinned veggies, tinned legumes, sweet & savoury biscuits, black tea bags, dishwashing liquid, shampoo & conditioner, soap bars.

