

Greenock Lutheran Parish Bulletin



St. Peter's Greenock (GR)
Nain Lutheran Church (N)
St. Michael's Gnadenfrei, Marananga (M)

Sunday 14th July 2024
8th Sunday after Pentecost

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*God's love
still stands
when all
else has
fallen.*

Welcome! God bless you through the good news of Jesus' resurrection and the gift of new life. May our lives respond in praise and thanksgiving.

This Sunday's Services:

9.00am Nain HC - with Pastor Eugene Minge

Gnadenfrei Marananga - Lay Reading with Cathy and Grant Wills

10.30am St Peter's Greenock HC - with Pastor Eugene Minge

Opening:

Even before he made the world, God loved us

and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes.

God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ.

This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. (*Ephesians 1:4,5 NLT*)

Psalm: 24:1-6 (NLT)

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it.

The world and all its people belong to him.

For he laid the earth's foundation on the seas

and built it on the ocean depths.

Who may climb the mountain of the Lord?

Who may stand in his holy place?

Only those whose hands and hearts are pure,

who do not worship idols and never tell lies.

They will receive the Lord's blessing

and have a right relationship with God their saviour.

Such people may seek you

and worship in your presence, O God of Jacob.

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forevermore. Amen.

Prayer of the Day:

Let us pray for knowledge of what is right.

Holy and merciful God, give us a clear vision to see what is right and true, and the courage to live by it, whatever the cost may be. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Bible Readings:

2 Samuel 6:1-5,12b-19 David brings the ark to Jerusalem.

Ephesians 1:3-14 God praised for his secret plan now revealed.

Mark 6: 14-29 The death of John the Baptist.

Message Theme & Text: 'God's Plan' (Ephesians 1:3-14)

Offering Prayer:

Thank you, eternal God, for all you have given us through Christ. You have made us holy as he is holy: help us to live holy lives. Let us show by our actions and our lives of love and service that we are your children. Amen.

Parish Prayer Points:

Grant & Cathy Wills (LR –Marananga)

Irene Wohlers (M) Jill Gordon (G); Sam Nitschke (N)

Those who are experiencing health challenges, seeking strength and peace,
or mourning the death of a loved one.

Next Sunday: 21st July – 9th Sunday after Pentecost (Green)

9.00am St Peter's Greenock - with Pastor Eugene Minge
Nain - Lay Reading with Alex Zimmermann

10.30am Gnadenfrei Marananga - with Pastor Eugene Minge

Bible Readings: Psalm 89:20-37

2 Samuel 7:1-14a God's promise to David.

Ephesians 2:11-22 We are one in Christ.

Mark 6: 30-34,53-56 Jesus has compassion on the crowd.

St Peter's Greenock Rosters 21st July

Flowers – Greta Schild **Cleaning** – Kylie Rosenzweig and Noelene Kalleske

Welcoming/Attendance – Carol and Tony Kalleske

Readings – Karen Kalleske **Announcements/Kids Chat** – Pastor Eugene

Music – Heather Obst **PowerPoint** – Lyn Waldhuter

Sound – Rhys Werner **Stewards** – Troy Kalleske and Mark Kernich

Take Note:

➤ JAM Break

There will be no JAM today the **14th** and **21st July**.

➤ Parish Bible Study

Parish Bible study resumes on **Wednesday 24th July** in the Gnadenfrei Church Hall, from 10am for a cuppa and study beginning at 10.30am and every second Wednesday after that.

➤ Parish Prayer Group

10am on Tuesday **16th July** at Helen Wendt's and will meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month during 2024. All are welcome.

➤ Latest LCA e-News - Press Ctrl & click on this link <http://lcaenews.online/240709>

➤ 'Captivating' Women's Retreat

Thursday 22 to Sunday 25 August at Yankalilla, this retreat is offering a 'long weekend into the feminine soul, discovering the truth about God and what he wants for you as his daughter.' See www.thegoalislife.com/product/captivating/ or speak with Desiree for more information.

➤ Lutheran Worship Workshop

A morning of encouragement for anyone involved in leading or assisting in worship will be held between 10am and 1pm on **Saturday 24th August** in the St Petri church hall. If you have a role in worship or are considering helping in some way, please consider coming to this workshop. Cost is \$10. Please talk with Pastor Eugene or see the flyer for more information.

Notes On The Readings

Ephesians 1:3-14: Here St Paul breaks out into praise as he treats the doctrine of election. This deep mystery is not meant to bewilder the Christian but rather to reassure and comfort. It shows how precious is our relationship with God by faith in Christ through the intricate workings of God, that he chose us from eternity and made us his own in time. All this hinges on God's central historical act of Christ's sacrificial death for our sin, verse 7. While the whole universe finds its ultimate rationale in Christ's work for God the Father, yet God's purpose for us is to reflect our election in the way our lives come into harmony with him and in living to his praise. The Spirit gives us all of this as a guarantee of the full and final glory of the heavenly redemption still to come.

Mark 6:14-29: Herod was in reality not a king but a puppet ruler under the Romans in the northern areas above Judea. His imprisonment of John the Baptist afforded him the opportunity to hear John, although without belief. His wife, Herodias, resented the Baptist's criticism of the religiously unlawful marriage

between Herod and herself. The same blackness of soul which later brought silence from Jesus (Luke 23: 7-11) caused the rashness of a lustful promise to combine with weakness of will to give in to Herodias's vengeful bloodthirsty demand. Hence, when reports of Jesus' ministry with his miracles reached him, Herod's conscience allowed superstitious guilt-images to take hold in his mind that John the Baptist had come back to life embodied in Jesus.



WEARING A LINEN EPHOD, DAVID WAS DANCING BEFORE THE LORD WITH ALL HIS MIGHT, WHILE HE AND ALL ISRAEL WERE BRINGING UP THE ARK OF THE LORD WITH SHOUTS AND THE SOUND OF TRUMPETS.



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Greenock Lutheran Parish

Our Culture, Leadership and Governance are Childsafe.

Child safety is embedded in the culture, leadership and governance of our Parish. Our Parish prioritises the safety and wellbeing of children and demonstrates this through all levels of its leadership. Our Parish has no tolerance for child abuse in any form.