

Greenock Lutheran Parish Bulletin



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

Sunday 6th October 2024
20th 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 Graham Jenke
Gnadenfrei Marananga - Lay Reading with Cath and Grant Wills
- 10.30am St Peter's Greenock HC - with Pastor Graham Jenke

Opening:

Jesus said: "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them!

For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children."

(Mark 10:14 NLT)

Psalm 26:1-8 (NLT)

Declare me innocent, O Lord, for I have acted with integrity;

I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.

Put me on trial, Lord, and cross-examine me.

Test my motives and my heart.

For I am always aware of your unfailing love,

and I have lived according to your truth.

I do not spend time with liars or go along with hypocrites.

I hate the gatherings of those who do evil,

and I refuse to join in with the wicked.

I wash my hands to declare my innocence.

I come to your altar, O Lord,

singing a song of thanksgiving and telling of all your wonders.

I love your sanctuary, Lord,

the place where your glorious presence dwells.

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:

Loving heavenly Father, you have made us your own children, the younger brothers and sisters of your Son, Jesus. Give us faith like a little child, so that we ask you for whatever we need with complete confidence. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Readings:

Job 1:1; 2:1-10 Job is tested.

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 God has spoken through his Son.

Mark 10:2-16 Jesus teaches about divorce, and blesses children.

Message Theme & Text: 'What does God say about Marriage' (*Mark 10:2-16*)

Offering Prayer:

Almighty God, thank you for speaking to us through your Son, and for making us your daughters and sons. Lead us to live holy lives as your holy people. Help us to show kindness and respect to others, and to serve all who are in need. Amen.

Parish Prayer Points:

Cath and Grant Wills (LR –Marananga)

John and Yvonne Pfeiffer (M); Wilfreide Kalleske (G); Alisa and Marlee Linke (N)
God's good and gracious will be done through the LCA NZ Convention of Synod;
our Parish delegate Michael Bowmer.

All school students and staff for their holidays; safe travelling for all who have
gone away.

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

Next Sunday: 13th October – 21st Sunday after Pentecost (Green)

9.00am St Peter's Greenock - with Pastor Eugene

Nain - Lay Reading with Alex Zimmermann

10.30am Gnadenfrei Marananga - with Pastor Eugene

Bible Readings: Psalm 22:1-15

Job 23:1-9,16,17 Job's complaint against God.

Hebrews 4:12-16 Jesus our high priest is merciful.

Mark 10:17-31 The rich man goes away sad.

St Peter's Greenock Rosters 13th October

Flowers - Chris Mibus **Cleaning** - Helen Wendt and Ali Barkley

Welcoming/Attendance - Sally and Troy Kalleske **Readings** – Dana Kalleske

Announcements/Kids Chat – Heather Slade **Music** – Minge family

PowerPoint – Peter Rawlings **Sound** – Ashley Klose

Stewards – Troy Kalleske and Trevor Waldhuter

Take Note:

➤ **General Pastors' Conference and Convention**

Pastor Eugene will be attending Convention (4th-7th Oct) with our Parish Delegate Michael Bowmer.

If there are any pastoral emergencies during this time, please contact one of your congregation's Pastoral Assistants. While Pastor Eugene is away, Pastor Graham Jenke (6th Oct) will be leading worship. Please continue to pray for all involved in Convention.

➤ **Parish Administrative Assistant**

Greenock Parish Council is seeking a suitable applicant for the role of Parish Administrative Assistant which includes coordinating existing volunteers. This is a paid position of approx 10 hours per week which was approved at our Parish AGM in February if a volunteer could not be found to fill the role. Please contact Sandra Schwarz - email 1Sandra.Nichols@gmail.com by COB 8/10/2024 for the role description or to express your interest in the position.

➤ **St Peter's Greenock Leadership Team Meeting**

Tuesday 8th October at 7pm in the Chat Room.

➤ **Parish Prayer Group**

Tuesday 15th October, 10am at Helen Wendt's and will meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month during 2024. All are welcome.

➤ **Lutheran Care, Barossa**

Can you support? during the month of October, can you please donate any of the following items, to support local people in need accessing Lutheran Care, Barossa.

Items of most need are:

Long-life Milk, Instant Coffee, Tea, Milo, Sweet Biscuits, Tinned Spaghetti, Tinned Baked Beans, Tinned Vegetables, Two-Minute Noodles, Pasta, Toothpaste and Toothbrushes.

Please liaise with your congregational representative and thank you for your generosity.

➤ **Marananga Community Bonfire**

Saturday 26th October at 6pm, BBQ, Salads and Dessert. Live music with Jamie Blechynden. Raffles, Silent Auction, Kids activities.

All proceeds donated to Barossa Area Fundraisers for Cancer.

Notes On The Readings

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12: Angels were very important beings in the Old Testament dispensation. Through them and through prophets God mediated his covenant with Israel. This letter begins at this point to Hebrew readers. It explains that in the New Covenant God has worked through his Son. Though he, together with the Father, created all things, he was yet born a human being. Now, having achieved God's purpose for the forgiveness of the human race, he is raised to full expression of divine power. His effective substitutionary suffering and death have shown him to be infinitely higher than the angels. His inclusion of human beings in the benefits of his work has also in this way made them higher than the angels.

Mark 10:2-16: Divorce was a matter of contention between Jewish religious parties. This question was maliciously meant to entrap Jesus and discredit him. Moses' assent to a certificate of divorce was not because God permitted it, but to place some restraint on a bad situation by at least providing the woman deserted this way some safeguard in her unenviable position. However, Jesus emphatically insisted that the way God intended marriage to be and still willed it to be must be observed. Being 'of one flesh' (compare today's first reading) means a union no more to be broken than that of father and son or mother and daughter. The children whom the disciples dismissed as not important in their materialistic idea of the kingdom were precious to Jesus. All people can only receive God's kingdom as a gift, in no way through their own doing. Here the child has the exemplary advantage in trusting willingness to receive what is given.

Please send Bulletin info to Nola and Parish Email by Wednesday 5pm.

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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.