



stmartins  
KILLARA

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2018 Sexagesima

Praise the Lord, his people; he fills you with the finest of the wheat. *Psalm 148.12,14*

**250** All creatures of our God and King  
**474** Immortal, invisible, God only wise  
**267** Thou, whose almighty word

### Prayer of the day

Lord God, you know that we cannot put our trust in anything that we do: help us to have faith in you alone, and mercifully defend us by your power against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Job 7.1-7 Elizabeth Dokulil

<sup>1</sup> "Does not man have hard service on earth? Are not his days like those of a hired man? <sup>2</sup> Like a slave longing for the evening shadows, or a hired man waiting eagerly for his wages, <sup>3</sup> so I have been allotted months of futility, and nights of misery have been assigned to me. <sup>4</sup> When I lie down I think, 'How long before I get up?' The night drags on, and I toss till dawn. <sup>5</sup> My body is clothed with worms and scabs, my skin is broken and festering. <sup>6</sup> "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and they come to an end without hope. <sup>7</sup> Remember, O God, that my life is but a breath; my eyes will never see happiness again.

### Acts 1.1-14 Carine Jenkins

<sup>1</sup>In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach <sup>2</sup>until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. <sup>5</sup>For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." <sup>6</sup>So when they met together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. <sup>10</sup>They were

looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. <sup>11</sup>"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." <sup>12</sup>Then they returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. <sup>13</sup>When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

### Mark 1.29-39 Matthew Heazlewood.

<sup>29</sup>As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. <sup>30</sup>Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her. <sup>31</sup>So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. <sup>32</sup>That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup>The whole town gathered at the door, <sup>34</sup>and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was. <sup>35</sup>Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. <sup>36</sup>Simon and his companions went to look for him, <sup>37</sup>and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!" <sup>38</sup>Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else--to the nearby villages--so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." <sup>39</sup>So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

4<sup>th</sup> February 2018

## Prayers

*"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."*  
1 Thess 5:16-18

### Government leaders

Give thanks for those who serve as our local members and councilors. Ask God to guide and strengthen them and renew their vision of serving their community.

### For our Church and Community

For the upcoming combined service to celebrate Chinese New Year. Pray for our parishioners to be involved in parish events and reach out and connect with other. Pray for the upcoming outreach activities that relate to children and parents especially the Friday Music Playtime and Tuesday Playtime.

### Pray for those in special need

Ask God to comfort, strengthen and deepen the trust of those who are sick and grieving. For the lonely or in special need at this time including Greta Quan, Jean Ditchfield, Jill Clapin, Shirley Wilson, Graham & Margaret Shirley, John & Betty Allerton and John Reynolds.

### Work of CMS

Praise the Lord Jesus for the close relationship many CMS missionaries have with Anglican Aid partners and the complementary nature of our partnership, especially with Tim & Kylie.

Pray that CMS and Anglican Aid will explore further ways in which their respective missionaries and partners can work together to further the gospel and express Christlike love and service.

### The Marginalised

Pray that the marginalised and disadvantaged in our communities, including indigenous people, those with a disability, those unemployed, and genuine refugees, may find in Australia, a place of support and encouragement, and a future for their families. Pray for the role of Anglicare in support of these people.

### St Martin's Mission Prayer

*Our heavenly Father, please bless St Martin's as we seek to make disciples of Christ, and see changing lives through grace, so that everyone reaches maturity in Christ. By your Spirit enable us to **connect** to Jesus and one another, **grow** in Christ-likeness, **serve** and meet the needs of others with the gifts you have given us, and **share** the love of Christ in our community and all the world. **Amen***

## Action Items and Upcoming Events

- **Prayer Meeting on Tuesday 6 February**, either 2.30pm-3.30pm in the Youth Centre **OR** 7.45pm-8.45pm at 14 Springdale Rd, Killara.
- **Combined service Sunday 18 February at 10.30am** followed by lunch in the Parish Hall – to celebrate Chinese New Year with the PAC. All are welcome. (please bring a plate of something sweet for dessert)
- **Christianity Explored Course starts 21 Feb**, Wednesdays 7.30pm at 14 Springdale Rd.
- **Annual General Meeting – Sunday 4 March** from 11.15 am in the Parish Hall.

## Daily Bible Reading Plan

- Feb 4 Ex 13-14, Ps 32, Mark 11
- Feb 5 Ex 15-16, Ps 33, Mark 12
- Feb 6 Ex 17-19, Ps 34, Mark 13
- Feb 7 Ex 20-21, Ps 35, Mark 14
- Feb 8 Ex 22-23, Ps 36, Mark 15
- Feb 9 Ex 24-25, Ps 37:1-22, Mark 16
- Feb 10 Ex 26-27, Ps 37:23-40, Luke 1
- Feb 11 Ex 28, Ps 38, Luke 2

## www.stmartinskillara.org

E office@stmartinskillara.org T 9880 2137  
**Office hours** Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm  
**Rector** Rev. Matthew Heazlewood  
**Children & Youth Minister:** Alex Drobnak  
**Chinese Church Minister** Rev. Carson Wu

Sign up for daily devotions <http://eepurl.com/c1QmN>

Set up your planned regular giving electronically to:  
Electronic Giving: St Martin's Anglican Church BSB: 062 195 A/C: 1003 4848