SERVICES

TUESDAYS:

- 9:30 am **Holy Communion Service**

ASH WEDNESDAY— 10th February

- 9.30am **Ash Wed Communion Service**
- 6.30pm **Ash Wed Communion Service**

FRIDAYS: February

- 5th & 19th February—7.00 pm **Alive & in the House**

SUNDAYS: January

- 3rd January:
  - 7.15am **Morning Prayer**
  - 9.30am **Prayer, Praise & Proclamation**
- 10th January:
  - 7.15am **Traditional Communion Service**
  - 9.30am **Contemporary Communion Service**
- 17th January:
  - 7.15am **Morning Prayer**
  - 9.30am **Prayer, Praise & Proclamation**
- 24th January:
  - 7.15am **Traditional Communion Service**
  - 9.30am **Contemporary Communion Service**
- 31st January:
  - 7.15am **Morning Prayer**
  - 9.30am **Prayer, Praise & Proclamation**

SUNDAYS: February

- 7th February:
  - 7.15am **Traditional Communion Service**
  - 8.30am **SHROVE SUNDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST**
  - 9.30am **Contemporary Communion Service**

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The Cornerstone

January-February 2016

Welcome to St Jude the Apostle - an Contemporary and Traditional Anglican Church reaching out to all generations in Everton Park and Brisbane city.

Love Came Down at Christmas Time

John opens his gospel with the statement: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made" (John 1:1-3). In doing so John identifies Jesus Christ with a unique identity of God. It does that by placing Him squarely in the midst of a Jewish understanding of the belief in *One God*, but one that does not infringe its monotheistic nature (that is, its oneness). The proclamation of Jesus Christ as the Messiah and the development of a Trinitarian understanding of God (as Father, Son and Holy Spirit) do not deny the oneness of God, but expand the understanding of the internal nature of such a God.

The early Church did not proclaim a different God to that understood by Jewish tradition, but saw Jesus Christ as part of the nature of the God who had appeared to the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The same God – Yahweh – brought Israel out of Egypt [where they had grown from a small tribe dwelling in Palestine to a multitude of people suffering in domination and slavery in Egypt] and established them as a nation through the leadership of Moses and Joshua.

Jesus Christ brings to us one of the most significant aspects of the meaning of Yahweh, which is "God with us – God in the midst of us". Jesus came to show us that although God is Almighty He does not stand aloof from us, but comes to share His love with us. He is a personal God who desires to have a personal relationship with us. He is the God who made the universe and world in which we live and made us with the personal nature that we have. He made us both material and spiritual persons so we could enjoy the world He made and enjoy our relationship with Him.

Sin and rebellion separate us from that love and its personal relationship. Sin is not simply doing the wrong things, but failing to be all that God intended us to be. When we live and act apart from God we fail to reach our full potential because we were never intended to do it by ourselves. It was something that was meant to occur in and through our relationship with God. We can be morally blameless, yet fall short of the mark. Paul notes that he was blameless according to the Law, but was the chief of sinners because he had rejected and persecuted Jesus Christ.

Jesus came into the world so we could once again enter into a love relationship with God. His death on the cross paved the way for us to come back to God, to be forgiven for our sins and to enter into a holy and righteous relationship with the living God. He is the means by which we enter and stand in God's presence. This Christmas let's celebrate afresh the coming of that babe in a manger for us.

God Bless You
Ps Andrew

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St Jude's Members for
Building & Growth Project - Christmas Hampers
Easter, Christmas & other events

Christmas Hampers

Thank you to all of our people who contributed towards the Christmas Hampers this year. We have delivered fourteen hampers to bless families with this Christmas. Our hampers this year were stacked in Christmas boxes with cellophane wrapping. Thank you to Dick Symes and his team who sorted and wrapped the hampers

Merchant Card Facility

St Jude's has its own merchant card facility that means members and guests can use their credit or debit cards to make payments for:

- Tithes and offering;
- Mission donations;
- Building Fund donations *[**not for** Tax Deductible Education Trust donations];*
- Event/seminar fees;
- Book Purchases; and
- Other.

Please see Jimmy or Ps Andrew if you wish to use this facility.

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"whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully"
(2 Corinthians 9:6).

Pastoral Care Workshops

The Course: *has been specifically structured as a seminar learning experience for those involved in leadership and ministry in their local church. We completed four sessions in 2015 and the extended dialogue during the sessions meant that we will complete the final session in February*

This is not a clinical training program, but rather is aimed to equip those who are involved in general pastoral ministry, team leadership and ministry to new Christians in their local church or parish.

Pastoral Care is a "nurturing" that is spontaneous in action, but developed through training and learning. Our ability to care for someone else increases when we understand that we need to continually learn and grow ourselves.

WORKSHOP FIVE – FEBRUARY

Session 10: Basic Relational Skills II – trust & uniqueness

Session 11: Release from the Occult/New Age

Session 12: TBA

DATES: **Saturday 13th February**

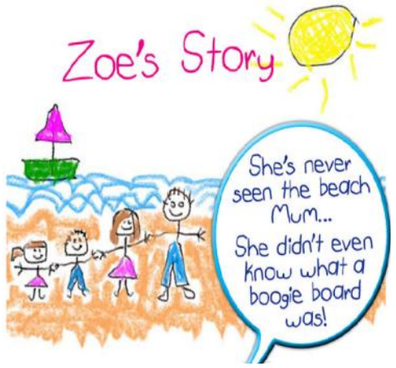
TIME: 9.00 am to 2.30pm

REFRESHMENTS: BYO Lunch; tea/coffee provided

COSTS: St Jude's Members $15 per workshop/day
Other participants $25 per workshop/day

Includes copies of notes & books

Christmas Day Appeal



Anglicare runs a ministry that helps children and families in need to have great time out. In the promotion of this appeal they focus upon the situation of a young girl named Zoe. They note: Zoe remembers the chaos of her life. Now her life is filled with the simple pleasures of living in a small country town with a family that adores her. With our help Anglicare can support foster families like Zoe's.

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Safe Ministry Policy Statement

The Anglican Church of Australia is committed to the physical, emotional and spiritual welfare and safety of all people within its own community.

The Church will:

- Carefully recruit and train its clergy and church workers;
- Adopt and encourage safe ministry practices by its clergy and lay church workers;
- Respond promptly to each concern raised about the behaviour of its clergy and lay church workers;
- Offer pastoral support to any person who has suffered abuse;
- Provide pastoral support to and supervision of any person who has been accused of abuse; and
- Provide pastoral support to and supervision of any person known to have abused a child or another vulnerable person.

Resolution of general Synod 2004
Resolution of Archbishop-in-Council 2005
Amended by Brisbane Synod 2007

Information for Parents and Carers

The Anglican Church of Brisbane is committed to striving to provide a safe and supportive environment for children and young people in all its ministries.

The Diocese has implemented this **Child Protection Risk Management Plan** to assist in protecting children and other vulnerable people from harm in the Church. The Plan helps ensure that the Diocese's ministries are safe and supportive environments by providing strategies to identify and minimise potential risks. Screening lay employees and volunteers through the *Commission for Children and Young People's* blue card system is an integral part of our Plan.

The Risk Management Plan addresses the following elements:

- A Child Projection Risk Management Plan **Policy Statement**.
- A **Code of Conduct** for clergy and lay Church workers who work with children.
- A **Safe Ministry Check,** which provides procedures for recruiting, screening, selecting and supervising lay Church workers.
- A **Protocol for Dealing with Complaints** ,which provides clear and mandatory procedures for managing complaints and information regarding sexual misconduct by clergy and lay Church workers.
- Procedures for addressing breaches of the Risk Management Plan.
- Procedures for ensuring the proper implementation of this Plan and regularly reviewing its contents.
- Maintenance of a register for all lay Church workers who hold blue cards.
- A specific Risk Management Plan for high-risk activities and special events.
- A strategy for communicating the Plan to parents and carers of children who participate in all ministries in the Diocese

Copies of the documents in bold are available for downloading from the Diocesan website: www.anglicanchurchsq.org.au

Kid's Christmas Party

Our Kid's Party on 7th December was a fun time with games in the watercourse park, great food and unbelievable presents. Thanks to Shaun and Kevin Herman for organizing the games and for Lucy and her team for the great lunch and presents.

Christmas Carols Service

Our Christmas Carols service on the 13th December featured the combination of Brisbane Music Association Band (BBMA) and our Contemporary Band as we sang carols, listened to Christmas readings, visited with Joseph, Mary and the baby Jesus and had a great children's story. A couple of humorous points occurred when the worship leader asked "why were shepherds washing their socks by night" and Ps Andrew and Kevin gave the wrong gift bag to one of our sound team, Rahul, which had a dummy, baby wipes and an elephant. They finally found the right gift for Rahul and gave the baby bag to the BBMA's conductor, Noel, whose wife had a baby boy since the last time they were with us.

Shrove Sunday Pancakes
In-between Services
Pancake Feast

Shrove Sunday Pancake Break-fast on 7th February at 8.30am

The beginning of Lent brings together two strange and contradictory events—Shrove Tuesday (for us **Shrove Sunday**) and Ash Wednesday. Shrove Tuesday - also known as Pancake Day - is the day before Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. It is celebrated by cooking and more importantly *eating* pancakes—a last feast before the fasting and self-denial of Lent. In some places pancake races are held, where participants run along tossing a pancake as they go.

Ash Wednesday 10th February 9.30am and 6.30pm

Ash Wednesday brings with it ashes, repentance and a change of heart. It calls us into a formal time of waiting upon God and seeking His face, to know His purpose for us and to be in tune with His desires.

Kazakhstan Mission Team visit to St Jude's

Sunday 14th February

7.15am & 9.30am services

Our Parish has supported the missionary ministry of Demetri and Michelle and their family to Kazakhstan. Demetri and Michelle cover a broad range of ministry work that also includes Teen Challenge. They will be visiting St Jude's on Sunday 14th February and speaking at the end of both services.

Annual Meeting

Sunday 28th February

Annual Meeting will be held after the 8.30 am Combined Parish Service and will include Morning Tea. Nominations for Wardens, Parish Counselors and Nominators, along with any notice of additional general business need to be in by 5pm on 19th February, either in Green Mail box in reception of the Cornerstone Ministry Centre or to Pastor Andrew or one of the Wardens.

Please bring a plate of food for Morning Tea

Lenten Studies
Christianity Explained

Christianity Explained is simple study program for those enquiring about the Christian Faith or seeking to know more about God and His love.

There will be a number of study groups during Lent 2016 that will enable St Jude's members to learn how to share the Christian faith with family, friends or neighbours on a one-to-one basis or leading a small group.

Those who felt God nudging them during the LYCIG program about sharing their faith *or* inviting people to church *or* encouraging someone on their faith journey will find this an invaluable resource with which to do that.

Christianity Explained consists of 6 short simple studies on the Christian Faith covering the following topics:

1. Jesus: Son of God
2. Jesus: His Crucifixion
3. Jesus: His resurrection
4. Salvation: Grace not Works
5. Salvation: What is a Christian - Repentance
6. Salvation: What is a Christian - Faith

It is also a good way to refresh your own understanding of the Christian Faith and Jesus's call for us to follow Him.

January Calendar

MONDAYS:

- 18th/25th January - 7.00 pm **Men's Study Group**

WEDNESDAYS:

- 27th January - 10.30 am **Beacon Counselling Ministry**

February Calendar

[For service times see back page]

MONDAYS:

- 7.00 pm - **Men's Study Group**

TUESDAYS:

- 2nd February - 7.00 pm **Creative Arts Rehearsal**
- 9th February - 6.30 pm **Parish Council**
- 16th February - 7.00 pm **Creative Arts Rehearsal**
- 23rd February - 6.30 pm **Parish Council**

WEDNESDAYS:

- 9.30 am - **Gentle Exercises**
- 10.30 am - **Beacon Counseling Ministry**
- 10th February:
  - 9.30 am **Ash Wednesday Service**
  - 10.45 am **MU Meeting & Lunch**
  - 6.30 pm **Ash Wednesday Service**
  - 7.15 pm **Leaders Workshop**

FRIDAYS:

- 9.30 am - **Ladies Study Group**
- 5th & 19th February - 7.00 pm - **Alive & in the House—café service**

SATURDAYS:

- 13th February - 9.30 am—2.30 pm **Pastoral Care Workshop**