



**ST LUKE'S CHURCH**  
**THE PARISH OF MODBURY**  
**and GOLDEN GROVE**

**Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026**

**.... WELCOME ....**

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**PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE**  
**OUR SERVICES TODAY**

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion with hymns
11.30am	Bari Worship

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God often advances spiritual purposes through the routines of everyday life. Today we see a routine religious observance for a young family that uncovers a world-changing revelation. Mary and Joseph would have blended in all the other families, when they visited the temple that day with their new-born baby boy. Through their ordinary faithfulness in going to complete the prescribed rituals, God reveals the extraordinary salvation of the world, extending way beyond anything they could have imagined. Somehow Simeon and Anna both recognised Jesus as the one they'd been waiting for, the one whose coming the prophets had foretold.

The concept of God saving humans by becoming incarnate as a human has been an intellectual stumbling block for many. The author of our Hebrews reading reminds his hearers that Jesus is fully human so that he could truly know and share in our lives from the inside, and fully divine with the power to save us from eternal death. Through their seemingly chance encounters with Simeon and Anna, Mary and Joseph saw that Jesus had a unique role. He was born a Jew, destined to save both Jews and Gentiles, notwithstanding the enormous gap at the time between these groups.

God's salvation still crosses all inter-human boundaries. May our interactions, especially with those different from ourselves, support our understanding that we all have the worth that comes from being made and loved by God.

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*Growing Faith, Building Community, Sharing Hope*

**Ash Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February.** There will be two services at St. Luke's at 10am and 7pm to mark the beginning of Lent. Both services will include the imposition of ashes.

**World Day of Prayer 2026 Nigeria.** Friday, **6<sup>th</sup> March**, at 1pm. St. Luke's is hosting the service for our area. Everyone is invited to come and add our prayers to all countries of the world praying together on that day. Further enquiries contact Denise Robinson 0429 234 007.

**Monday Bible study** tomorrow, **2<sup>nd</sup> February** at 10am.

**Joyful Noise** will recommence on Monday, **2<sup>nd</sup> February**. If you are free on Mondays between 4pm – 5.30pm and would like to support this ministry by providing an afternoon snack (every 4-5 weeks), please speak to Rev'd Jo after the service.

**“Come as you are” Women's Fellowship** will meet on **Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> February**, 10am – 12 noon. Guest speaker will be Tony Ey, from the RAA who will talk about “Road safety for Seniors. As there has been interest in this topic shown amongst some of the men in our congregations we have decided to open the meeting to **both men and women**. So **ALL** are welcome to attend! For enquiries please contact :Susan Dearman 0412 814 082 or Carolyn Datson 0413 275 180.

**Christian Meditation Group** meets Wednesdays fortnightly in the church at 7 - 8pm - **Feb 4 & 18, Mar 4 & 18, Apr 1, 15 & 29**. Contact Sandy 0421 504 396.

**Baptism and Confirmation enquiries.** If you are interested in Baptism, Confirmation or in simply finding out more about Christianity, please collect a form from the rear of the church and return it to the office.

**Community garden.** The gardeners are looking for frangipani cuttings to strike some plants for sale. Any help you can give would be appreciated.

**Happy birthday** to the following parishioners celebrating their birthdays this month – Veronica Boswell, Faith Drodge, Linda Eastwood, Jo Johnson, Jessy Lim, Carolyn Datson, Louisa Fidock, Cynthia Hendricks.

**Bush Church Aid (BCA)** - Prayer Notes are available at <https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au/content/current-publications/gk68fk>

**Anglican Board of Mission (ABM)** - Missional Prayers are available at <https://www.abmission.org/resources/missional-prayers/>

## FOR PRAYER

***The health and well-being of those needing immediate prayers:***

Kirsty Lees (Sandy Trezise's daughter), Belinda Richmond, Max Pontifex, Louise Hoyle, Catherine Cooling, Tess Richmond, Jo Johnson, John Spencer, Paul Phillips.

***Those who need ongoing prayers for healing and well-being:***

Shirley & Stewart Shrimplin, Helen Gummow, Jessie Waters, Donald & Marjory Prince, Beth Morgan, Emily Cahill, Emmett Bollen, Bryan Shillabeer, Cathie, Faith Drodge, Malcolm Mayes, Naomi, Vicky Pattie, Jeremy Bollen, Andrew Mitchell, Bob Hall, Sue Fawcett, Anne Pfitzner, Jeanette Canton, Marilyn Harris, Ken Hodgson, Lorelie Hill, Sonia Smith, Alf Ho, Peter Cooling, Carol Aitken, Ian White, David, Debbie, Ruth Anne, Woody Abroe, Jan Walton, Jean & John McIntosh, Margie Caddy, Alec, Tricia, Erin & Tyson, Tim & Suzanne, Levi, Scarlett & Will, Ian & Bryan & families, Marion Ford & Ann Tee, Cynthia & Neville Hendricks, Teresa.

***Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family:*** Margaret Palin, Jeanette Pfitzenmeier, Janet Phillips, Paul Phillips, Lorraine Pincher, Max Pontifex, Glyn Price, Jean Price, Donald & Marjorie Prince and Foodbank.

***Those who have died and whose anniversaries occur at this time.***

***Recently Departed:*** Bernice Munro

***Anniversaries:*** Barry Watts, James Manners, Eileen Paull, Brian Burton, Dot Possingham, Maude Lewis.

+ *Rest in peace and rise in glory.*

*Requests for prayer should be made to Deb Travis 0450 950 112 (8am service); Ann Dixon 0421 816 614 (9.30am service); or speak to Jean Rechner 0409 816 115 (Thursday service).*

***Next week's readings***

Isaiah 58.1-9a

1 Corinthians 2.1-13

***Fifth Sunday after Epiphany***

Ps 112

Matthew 5.13-20

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***ROSTER REMINDER for 10.00am service***

*Reader 1:* Maria Harrison

*Reader 2:* Elizabeth Owers

*Intercessor:* Brian Jeffries

*Sidespersons:* Warren Henriks

*Welcoming:* Marilyn Florance & Warren Henriks

*Morning Tea:* Christine Walker & Barbara O'Sullivan

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## PARISH CONTACTS

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<b>WEEKLY PEW SHEET</b>	Please forward information to the church email or put a note under the office door by Wednesday.
<b>CHURCH BANK DETAILS</b>	BSB No: 705 077 A/c No: 00041526 A/c Name: Parish of Modbury and Golden Grove

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## REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday	Bible Study	10.00am
Tuesday	Holy Communion	8.30am
	Community Garden	9.30am
Wednesday	Foodbank (fortnightly)	10.00am
	Bible Study	10.00am
	Christian Meditation (fortnightly)	7.00pm
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00am
Friday	Community Garden	9.30am
Community Garden BBQ	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month	11.30am
Bari Worship	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month	11.30am
Men's Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Come as You Are (Women's Fellowship)	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of the month	10.00am