

# Parish Press

**Sunday January 25, 2026**  
**Celebrating Australia Day 2026**

## **Sentence**

*If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.* 2 Chronicles 7.14

## **Prayer of the Day**

Bounteous God,  
we give thanks for this ancient and beautiful land,  
a land of despair and hope,  
a land of wealth and abundant harvests,  
a land of fire, drought and flood.

We pray that your Spirit may continue to move in this land  
and bring forgiveness, reconciliation,  
and an end to all injustice;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Readings**

Isaiah 9.1-4	Page (OT) 494
Psalm 27.1-10	Page (OT) 391
1 Corinthians 1.10-18	Page 127
Matthew 4.12-25	Page 2

## **Today's services are**

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Sung Holy Communion Service followed by morning tea

This week we pray for all who live in Westminster St, Surrey Hills

**You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast,  
because they trust in you. (Isaiah 26.3)**

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## **Music Today**

### **January 25th 2026**

The communion setting is Christ Church Mass by Philip Matthias

Organ music today is by Australian composers.

The hymns for 9.30 am January 25 (Australia Day)

Advance Australia Fair

672ii Lord of Earth

Psalm 27. 1-10

440 Christ from whom all blessings flow

188 Where wide sky

456 Your hand, O God

The music during communion is “Andantino” by the Brisbane composer Wes Jordan.

The postlude is “Procession” by the Melbourne composer June Nixon.

## **Women's Breakfast**

The next Women's breakfast is on Saturday January 31st

The Boulevard Café, Mont Albert Rd.,

Time 9.00am

Cost \$25.00

Speakers: Valerie Dowsey, Anne Carver

## **Blessing of the Backpacks**

Next Sunday the 1st of February is our Back to School Sunday, and the Blessing of the Backpacks. Please join us as we pray for children, families and teachers as they enter a new year of learning. Please stay after the service for a special morning tea.

## **Can you help?**

At Holy Trinity, our worship is central, and a key component of this is our Sanctuary Team. We are looking for some new Sanctuary helpers. We need a couple of new Crucifers, three or four new Servers. And people willing to be ushers for Holy Communion. Is this something you think you could help with? Training will be provided. If so please see Leonie or Mark

## **Market Volunteers needed**

Can you cook a sausage, plate up a scone or chat to customers? If not, good news we can train you! We would love your help in our market cafe or at the sauasage sizzle. If you can spare a few hours please talk to Kaye for the cafe or Nigel for the sausage sizzle.

## **Parish Prayer List**

Helen Burston, Stephen Binns, William Stewart (Stu) Parry, Robyn Foskett, Thelma Fiddyment, Rachel Hayman, Bruce Knox, Helen Morris, John and Sally James, Edith Jenkins, Sue Hand, Ann Constable, Gwen Jackson, Verna Hubert, Hayden Daley, Joy Hayman, Mark, Paul Carver.

## **We remember**

We give you thanks for your servants in every age. Grant that we, with all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom. Marvine Walkinshaw, Martin Harry Scrivens, James Corryton Rounsevell, Dorothy Lucas, Eric James Pringle.

## This Week at Holy Trinity

### **Tuesday**

9.30-12.30pm Office Hours

### **Wednesday**

10am Holy Communion Service followed by morning tea

### **Thursday**

10am Prayer Service  
9.30-12.30pm Office Hours  
7.30-9.30pm Choir Practice

### **Sunday**

8am Holy Communion  
9.30am Family Communion Service and morning tea  
5pm Evensong followed by wine and cheese

## Readings this week

Monday Matthew 5.1-12

Tuesday Mark 3.31-35

Wednesday Mark 4.1-20

Thursday Mark 4.21-25

Friday Mark 4.26-34

Saturday Mark 4.35-41

**Sunday**

**Micah 6.1-8**

**Psalm 15**

**1 Corinthians 1.18-31**

**Matthew 5.1-12**

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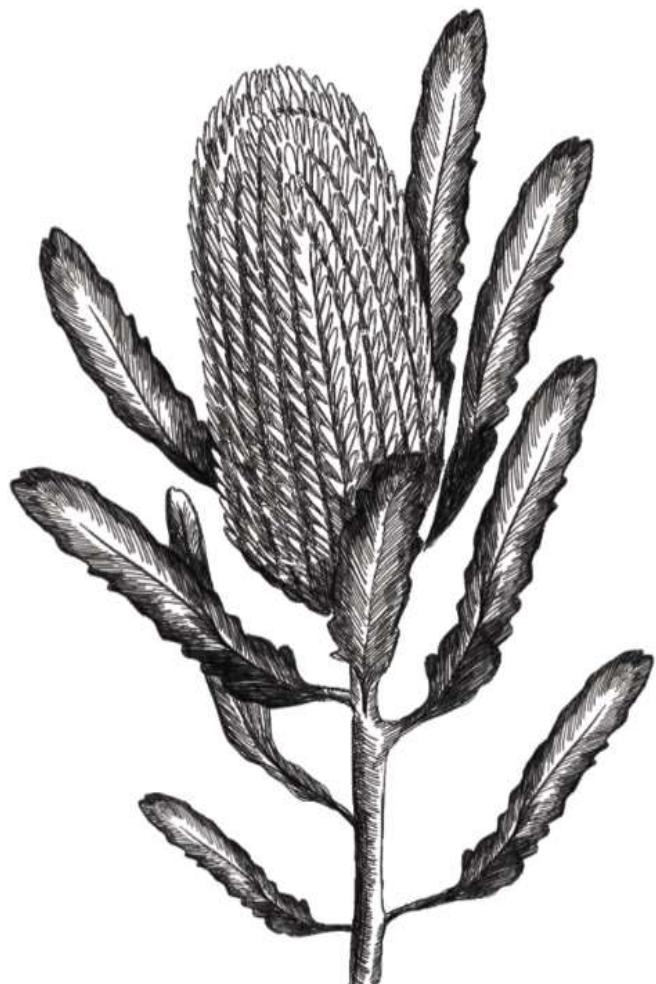
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## A Prayer for Australia

Almighty and gracious God, we give you thanks for this land we call Australia, for its ancient peoples and cultures, for those who have cared for this country across countless generations, and for all who now call this land home.

We remember before you the whole history of this nation: the hope and courage of beginnings, the pain of dispossession and injustice, and the on-going journey towards truth, healing, and reconciliation. Teach us to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you.

We thank you for the rich diversity of our people — for many cultures, languages, and stories — and for the freedom to worship you openly. May our diversity be a source of strength, not division, and may your Church be a place of welcome, compassion, and peace.

We give thanks for the gift of democracy and for those entrusted with leadership at every level of our society. Grant wisdom, integrity, and humility to all who govern, that they may seek the common good, protect the vulnerable, and serve with justice and truth.

We bring before you those who suffer through flood, fire, and storm. We pray for communities recovering from disaster, for those who have lost homes, livelihoods, or loved ones, and for all who live with fear and uncertainty. Strengthen emergency workers, volunteers, and carers, and grant endurance, hope, and healing to all who rebuild.

As we look to the future, give us courage to face the challenges before us — caring for creation, seeking reconciliation, addressing inequality, and nurturing the next generation. Help us to be wise stewards of the land you have entrusted to us, and faithful servants of your kingdom.

Renew your Church in this land, we pray. Give us hearts shaped by your love and lives that reflect the light of Christ. In a searching and restless world, make us ready to give an account of the hope that is in us — not with arrogance or fear, but with gentleness, humility, and joy.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, who calls us to love our neighbour and to seek the peace of the city in which we dwell.

Amen.