



SUNDAY 31st Dec 2017
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

A warm welcome. Children are especially welcome. We do hope that you will find the worship uplifting and that your relationship with Jesus Christ is enriched through it.

If you have any questions about what we do here or about the Christian Faith in general I would be happy to make time to discuss them or any other issues with you.

Gluten free wafers are available for Communion, if you require these please speak to the service leader.

Revd Debbie

Prayer of the Day:

Saving God, whose Son Jesus was presented in the temple and was acclaimed the glory of Israel and the light of the nations:
grant that in him we may be presented to you
and in the world may reflect his glory; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

GOD'S NEW YEAR'S HONOURS LIST

Many of us are familiar with the Queen's New Year's honours list, celebrating those who have made a significant contribution to public life. In 2017 famous names included Andy Murray, Mo Farah, Ken Dodd, Patricia Routledge, Angela Rippon and Victoria Beckham. However, what would God's New Year's honours list look like? In 1 Sam. 2:30 God says, 'Those who honour me I will honour'. In this New Year, how can we honour God in our lives?



Honouring God means giving Him reverence, submission, and obedience; the complete surrender of our entire lives to

His glory and loving service: 'in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship.' (Romans 12:1). We might honour God this year in five key areas:

My Time: how can I use my time to glorify God?

My Gifts: how am I using my God-given gifts and abilities in His service?

My Body: in what ways do I honour God in my body?

My Treasure: who is in charge of my finances?

My Heart: how do I honour God not just outwardly, but from my heart: 'These people come near to me with their mouth and honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me' (Isaiah 29:13)?

Here's a challenge for 2018: When we wake up each day, let's ask God: 'How can I honour you today? Please help me to honour you with the time, gifts, body, finance, and heart that you have given me.'

Dates for the Diary:

Bunnings BBQ at Bibra Lake: 3rd February and 24th February
(Spearwood)

New 2 You Sale: 3rd February 9.00 - 1.00pm (Hilton)

PRAYER AND THANKSGIVINGS

Please pray for all who are preparing for Marriage, Baptism and Confirmation.

For all who are travelling, that they will be safe and come home refreshed.

For a Happy, healthy and Blessed New Year

For all who struggle with their faith, that they may be filled afresh with the Holy Spirit and stand firm.

BUNNINGS BBQ at BIBRA LAKE

St Michael's Church have been allocated two dates for the Fundraiser BBQ's this year.

These are: 3rd February and 24th February

We will need your help to make this a successful day so please sign up to help for a shift either in the Mornings or Afternoons to help out at this major fundraiser for the parish. Day runs from 7.30am-4.30pm.

NEW 2 YOU SALE

On 3rd February St Edwards will be having the next Sale and Coffee Morning. All unwanted Christmas Presents and good quality clean items will be gratefully received. Cakes for our cake stall and potted plants will also be welcome nearer the time.

CLOTHES HANGING RAILS

St Edwards are looking for three additional strong/sturdy clothes hanging rails. If you can help us with this, please let Revd Debbie know. Thank you

READINGS

This week

Isaiah 65.17-25, Psalm 11, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:22-40

Next week

Genesis 1:1-5, Psalm 29, Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11.

SPEARWOOD

Date	Welcome	Reader	Prayer	Sacristan	LPM&LA	M/Tea	Musician	Counters
31st Dec	Merv	Ann Bernard	Bernard	Colleen	Colleen June	Sylv Merv	N/A	
7th Jan	Len	June	June	Lorraine	Lorraine Len	Maxine	N/A	

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31st Dec	Graeme	Nacey Anne N	Terry		Geoff Lesley	Anne F Nyasha	Kirsty/Marg	Ann N Kate
7th Jan	Jane	Sarah	John		Archie Geoff	Julie John	Kirsty/Marg	Graeme Aurella

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