

Parish of Moe-Newborough
St Aidan's, Newborough
Sunday 22 February 2026, 10.00am

The First Sunday in Lent



The Temptation of Jesus

Celebrant:

Rev'd Giles Motisi

**Welcome to our service today. For those who are able, please join us
for refreshments and fellowship after the service**

THE EUCHARIST: THE DOORWAY TO ETERNITY



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Sentence

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Matthew 4.4

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet did not sin: give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your will, that, as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE SEASON

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1st Reading: Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;

¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”



¹ Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden’?”

² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden;

³ but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’”

⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die;

⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it

was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.

⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**



Psalm 32

¹ Blessed are those whose sin is forgiven:
whose iniquity is put away.

**2 Blessed are those to whom the Lord imputes no blame:
and in whose spirit there is no guile.**

³ For whilst I held my tongue:
my bones wasted away with my daily complaining.

**4 Your hand was heavy upon me day and night:
and my moisture was dried up like a drought in summer.**

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you:
and my iniquity I did not hide;

**6 I said 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord':
and so you forgave the wickedness of my sin.**

7 For this cause shall everyone that is faithful
make their prayer to you in the day of trouble:
and in the time of the great water-flood,
it shall not come near them.

**8 You are a place to hide me in,
you will preserve me from trouble:
you will surround me with deliverance on every side.**

9 'I will instruct you, and direct you in the way that you should go:
I will fasten my eye upon you, and give you counsel.

**10 'Be not like horse or mule, that have no understanding:
whose forward course must be curbed with bit and bridle.'**

11 Great tribulations remain for the ungodly:
but whoever puts their trust in the Lord,
mercy embraces them on every side.

**12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and be glad:
and shout for joy, all you that are true of heart.**

2nd Reading: Romans 5: 15-21

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many.

¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification.

¹⁷ If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all.

¹⁹ For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

²⁰ But law came in, with the result that the trespass multiplied; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more,

²¹ so that, just as sin exercised dominion in death, so grace might also exercise dominion through justification leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

Gospel

Matthew 4.1-11

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, Chapter 4, beginning at the 1st verse. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



¹ Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

² He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.

³ The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

⁴ But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple,

⁶ saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

⁷ Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹ and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

¹⁰ Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.’”

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and
suddenly angels came and waited
on him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



Intercessions

Worldwide Church

The Church of Ireland

The Australian Church

Diocese of Sydney Archbishop
Kanishka Raffel. Bishops: Peter
Hayward, Peter Lin, Michael Stead,
Chris Edwards, Gary Koo

Aboriginal Ministry:

Nungalinya College, Wontulp-Bi-Buya
College

Our Diocese:

Bishop Richard & Leanne Bishop
Richard, Leanne and their family.
The Parish of Rosedale
Lyndon Phillips, Harry

Aboriginal Ministry in our Diocese

Clergy: Phyllis Andy, Kathy Dalton and
the Aboriginal Ministry Support Group.
The Abbey, Raymond Island: Cath
Connelly, Anna Esdaile and the Abbey
Chapter

Special Focus

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INTERCESSION PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

Nursing, medical and paramedical
staff and all who minister to the sick

- Hospital chaplains .
- Hospices and aged care facilities
- Those suffering mental illness

Our Parish:

for Father Giles, Julia, Frank, Peter,
Darol and Joana and their family and
friends in PNG.

for all involved in running the Modawa
Institute and for the students
attending.

For renewal and growth in our parish
to encourage a community focused
on faith, purpose, outreach, and
mission.

for our Parish Council and all parish
groups, sub-committees, our op
shops and volunteers.

For our family service late this afternoon.
for the health, safety and wellbeing of all parish members and those who have asked for our prayers: Alisha, Annabel, Anne, Brendan, Carolyn, Dave, David, Elly, Freya (18 month old baby), Jane, John, John, Kevin, Laila,

Lina, Nancye, Narrelle, Pauline, Ray, Rita and Yvonne, along with their families and friends.

The Departed:

Glen Dorling and John Gannon and those who grieve their deaths at this time.

Pews News

Family Service: today, 5pm at St Aidan's.

Time of Prayer for our Parish Father Giles has asked for people to dedicate a short time (15-20 minutes) each Saturday evening from 7pm, in our own homes, to pray specifically for our parish, using our own words, ideas from the pew sheet or with what God lays on our hearts and minds.

We can join collectively in spirit while praying intentionally in our own homes. Matthew 18:20 states "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them" and reminds us of the significance of joining in faith and prayer

Father Giles prays at St Luke's daily at 8am and 7pm and invites others to join him if they are able.

Mark your diaries:

Congregational Meeting: after Sunday service on March 1st at St Aidan's.

World Day of Prayer: Friday 6 March at St Kieran's. Focus on Nigeria

Ministry and Pastoral Care Group: Wednesday 4th March at 4.30pm

Vision Group: Sunday 8th March, 4.30pm at St Aidan's

Family Service, Every Fourth Sunday of the Month, 5pm at St Aidan's

Pew Sheet Content: The size of the pew sheet and whether there is extra material like pictures as in this weeks Pew Sheet depends on whether the number of essential pages is greater than 8 A5 panels

Holy Week Services (Subject to final confirmation)

Monday 30 th March	6pm at St Luke's
Tuesday 31 st March	6pm at St Aidan's
Wednesday 1 st April	10am at St Luke's 7pm Stations of the Cross at St Luke's Followed by Prayer and Meditation Group
Maundy Thursday 2 nd April	7pm at St Aidan's
Good Friday 3 rd April	10am at St Aidan's
Easter Vigil Saturday 4 th April	7pm at St Aidan's
Easter Sunday 5 th April	10am at St Aidan's

Lenten Studies

Our Lenten study this year is "Uncharted Territory" written by The Reverend Canon Dr Fran Grimes, published by Grassroots Resources.

A full description is available in this month's Alive & Linked, now available.

Cost \$12 (See Bruce for copies).

If you have a copy but would like a larger print version, speak to Bruce.

Payment can be made in **Cash or by Direct Deposit** to the Parish Bank Account (See back Page). In the description put: Lent St [Surname]

There are two Study groups.

St, Lukes: Thursday Morning commencing at 10.30am

St Aidan's Friday afternoon at 1.30pm

Fr Giles will be at both groups. or you can reflect at home.

Spread the word:



Beginning today Sunday, 22nd February at St Aidan's at 5pm (then 4th Sunday each month) –

This service will provide the opportunity for families unable to attend at other times, due to young children, sport commitments, etc., to worship and fellowship with others in a comfortable and safe space.



The Week Ahead

Monday 23rd February:

10.30pm Service at Narracan Gardens Hostel

Tuesday 24th February:

10am to 12pm G4G at MVC

Wednesday 25th February:

10am Wednesday Holy Communion service at St Lukes

11am Service at Narracan Gardens Nursing Home

1pm Funeral: John Gannon at St. Aidan's

7pm Silent Prayer and Meditation Group at MVC

Thursday 26th February

10.30am Lenten Study Group at St Lukes

Friday 27th February

10am- 12md Listening Post Drop-in Centre. Food relief available

All are welcome to join us for fellowship and a feed!

1.30pm Lenten Study Group at St Aidan's

Sunday 1st March: Lent 2

9.30am Parish Prayer time in Chapel -All welcome to join.

10.00am Holy Communion at St Aidan's, Newborough

Followed hby Congregational Meeting.

Readings: Genesis 12.1-4a Psalm 121

Romans 4.1-5 (6-12) 13-17 John 3.1-17

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Services:

Wednesday 10.00am St Luke's, 47 South Street, Moe

Sunday 10.00am St Aidan's, 111 Torres Street, Newborough

(Unless advertised as otherwise)

Parish Direct Banking Details:

Account Name: Moe-Newborough Parish Council

BSB: 083 773 **Account:** 915 154 737