



HOLY ANNUNCIATION ORTHODOX CHURCH

BRISBANE'S ENGLISH-LANGUAGE ORTHODOX PARISH

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES: NOVEMBER 2017

Date	Time & Event	Description
Sat 28 Oct	6pm Vigil	Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost.
Sun 29 Oct	8:30am Liturgy	Venerable Longinus the Centurion (who stood at the Cross of the Lord).
<p>Please note: At our recent AGM, the proposal was agreed to trial beginning Saturday Vigil services at 5pm, from November. This is a trial period, expected to run until February, to establish whether it is more beneficial for prayer and attendance.</p>		
Thu 2 Nov	6:30-8pm Bible Study 'Acts of the Apostles'	Our Bible Study series on 'The Acts of the Apostles' continues tonight (from Acts 2:37). <i>All welcome!</i>
Sat 4 Nov	5pm Vigil	Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost.
Sun 5 Nov	8:30am Liturgy	Apostle James the Brother of the Lord.
Sat 11	4:15pm Memorial	In Commemoration of Remembrance Day, we'll pray a Memorial Service, including in our prayers all who have departed in faith on the field of battle.
	5pm Vigil	Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost.
Sun 12	8:30am Liturgy	Hieromartyr Zenobius and his sister, Zenobia, of Cilicia.
Thu 16	6:30-8pm Bible Study 'Acts of the Apostles'	Our Bible Study series on 'The Acts of the Apostles' continues tonight. <i>All welcome!</i>
Sat 18	5pm Vigil	Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost.
Sun 19	8:30am Liturgy	St Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople; Venerable Barlaam, Abbot of Khoutyn (Novgorod).
Tue 21	8am Matins & Liturgy	Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the other Bodiless Powers: the Archangels Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel, Barachiel, and Jeremiel.
Sat 25	5pm Vigil	Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost.
Sun 26	8:30am Liturgy	St John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople.
<p><i>The Nativity Fast begins on 28 November, and is broken on the Feast of the Nativity (7 January). Please see your calendar and your confessor for details on how to apply this to your situation.</i></p>		
Wed 29 Nov	8am Matins & Liturgy	Holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew.
Thu 30 Nov	6:30-8pm Bible Study 'Acts of the Apostles'	Our Bible Study series on 'The Acts of the Apostles' continues tonight. <i>All welcome!</i>
Sat 2 Dec	5pm Vigil	Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost.
Sun 3 Dec	8:30am Liturgy	St Proclus, Archbishop of Constantinople.
Sun 3 Dec	6pm Vigil	THE ENTRY OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS INTO THE TEMPLE.
Mon 4 Dec	8:30am Liturgy	
Wed 7 Dec	8am Matins & Liturgy	Great-martyr Catherine of Alexandria.

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Upcoming Events, in Brief...

Remembrance Day Memorial 11 Nov
Matins & Liturgy, Holy Archangels 21 Nov
Matins & Liturgy, Apostle Matthew 29 Nov
Great Feast: Entrance of the Theotokos 3-4 Dec
Matins & Liturgy, G'martyr Catherine 7 Dec
Christmas Cleanup & Working Bee 30 Dec (est.)
Toowoomba Patronal Feastday 20 Jan



Announcements

On the advice of our Annual General Meeting, our **Saturday evening Vigil services are now at 5pm** on a trial basis. We anticipate that this trial will continue to February, when it will be reevaluated. All other services (including evening services on other days of the week) will continue at the same time.

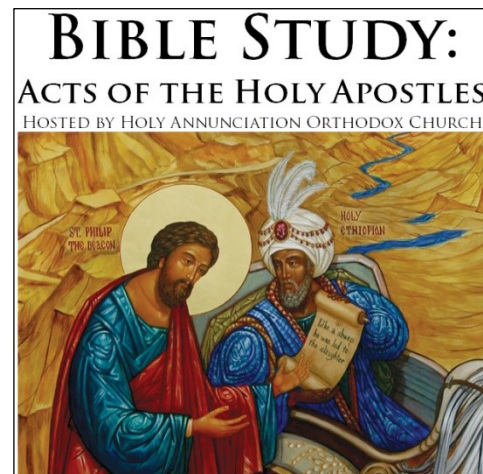
Please **drive slowly and gently** when you drive into our backyard. We are still desperately hoping that our backyard will return to having grass, and to do that, we need our grass seeds to grow. Also, please be understanding when the backyard is closed – we will try to put bins at the foot of the driveway to signal this, as well as advertising online.

To cut down on rising expenses, we are now asking parishioners to **use cloth bags for carrying prosphora home**. These can be purchased at the front desk (for approx. a dollar for each prosphora that the bag can hold), or can be made at home. Thank you for your consideration as we endeavour to be good stewards of what has been given to us.

Upcoming Events

Our **Bible Study on 'Acts of the Apostles'** has proven very popular, giving us Scriptural guidance on how to survive and thrive in a non-Christian environment. This month's sessions are **2, 16, 30 Nov**, from **6:30-8pm**. For more information, see: www.HolyAnnunciation.net/Acts. *All welcome!*

As you know, we have trialled having midweek services, allowing our parish to sustainably have a fuller liturgical life. We have decided to change our focus to Namesdays within our parish. In November, we will be celebrating **Matins and Liturgy from 8am** (until ~10:30) for **St Erc of Slane**, the **Holy Archangels**, and the **Apostle Matthew**. *All welcome!*



The next services at St John's Mission, Toowoomba, are on Saturday, 20 January, for their patronal feastday, with Matins & Liturgy starting at 8:30am. Details: www.OrthodoxToowoomba.com

Past Events

In October, we welcomed the Relics of the New Martyrs of Russia, held our Parish Association's Annual General Meeting, celebrated St John the Theologian, held our quarterly Parish Cleanup and Working Bee, and continued our Bible Study. We also welcomed Abbess Mikaela from Lintula Monastery, Finland, on her visit to Australia.

For more details as they happen, please subscribe to our parish newsletter (www.eepurl.com/mQmBf) and 'like' our page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/HolyAnnunciation – where photographs from events are uploaded).