

**We strive to spread the Gospel through word and action within our local communities and so reflect the love of Christ**

**17 DECEMBER 2023**  
**THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

**Readings for 17 December**

Isaiah 61.1—4, 8—11

Song of Mary (APBA p.31)

1 Thessalonians 5.12—28

John 1.6—8, 19—28

*Bind up the broken-hearted, proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, the day of vengeance of our God.*

*Isaiah 61.1—2*



**Prayer of the Day:**

Eternal God,  
you sent John the Baptist  
to prepare the way for the coming of your Son:  
grant us wisdom to see your purpose  
and openness to hear your will,  
that we too may prepare the way for Christ,  
who is coming in power and glory  
to establish his rule of peace and justice;  
through Jesus Christ our Judge and our Redeemer,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**As we gather in the various churches of our parish, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul peoples, and their elders past and present. We honour the connection the traditional custodians have with this land.**



## Services for 17 December

### **Saint Luke's, Rosewood**

8:30am (Rev'd Lauren Martin)

5:00pm Prayer and Praise

### **Saint Anne's, Hidden Vale**

#### **Christmas Service**

10:30am (Rev'd Lauren Martin)

### **Next Sunday**

#### **Saint Luke's, Rosewood**

8:30am (Rev'd John Simons)

### **Christmas Eve Services**

St James (Rev'd John Simons)

St Luke's (Prayer & Praise)

All Saints (Rev'd Bill Ross)



## **Morning Prayer**

9:00am Tuesdays in the Outreach Centre, Rosewood. All welcome!

## **Community Outreach**

**Friends on Fridays** has finished for the year and will return in January.

## **Men's Group**

The Men's Group is now in recess, and will resume in early 2024.

## **Ukelele and Guitar group**

Each Thursday our hall is being hired by a group teaching guitar and ukelele. Arrive at 9:30am for a 10:00am start, break for lunch at 12:00—12:30pm, then practice together as a group until 3:00pm. Tuition is \$5, please bring your own instrument.

# Notices



## **Marburg Community Carols**

Sunday 17 December from 5:30pm

5:30pm—Face Painting & craft activities; market stalls; food and coffee van

6:00pm—free sausage sizzle

6:30pm—Carols program featuring the Salvation Army Band and local artists



## **Christmas Services**

### **Christmas Eve**

St James, Lowood—10:30am

St Luke's, Rosewood—5:00pm

All Saints, Marburg—7:00pm

### **Christmas Day**

St Luke's, Rosewood—8:30am

SAVE THE DATE

16 December—Bishop Jeremy installed as Archbishop

17 December—Marburg Community Carols

4 February—Parish Council meeting

## **Pray Daily—Sunday 17 November**

- The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- The Diocese of the Northern Territory: †Greg Anderson; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Samford: Robert Paget, Jan Crombie
- St Francis College Formation students
- The Southport School, Southport: Headmaster – Andrew Hawkins; Chaplain – John Dougherty; Chair of School Council – Fraser Perrin; members of School Council; staff & students

### **Pray for those in need:**

We give thanks for prayers answered and ask for continued prayers for: Leone, Clarrie, Barry, Simon, Marj, Adeline, Dorothy, Clayton, parishioners in the congregation of All Saints.

### **Pray for those whose need is ongoing:**

Bryan, Kim L, Jan Embrey, Yvonne and Ian Hillard, Enid and Susanne Mallon.

**Please note:** At the beginning of every month the prayer list will be reviewed. Please make contact and update our prayers with progress and of healing as appropriate. Thank you.

## **Parish Directory**

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Romans 8:28

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”

**Giving: Envelopes are available at each centre. To deposit offerings:  
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