

8 DECEMBER 2024
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Today's Services

Saint Luke's, Rosewood
Archbishop Jeremy's visit
9:00am (Archbishop Jeremy & Rev'd John Simons)

Next Week

Saint Luke's, Rosewood
8:00am (Rev'd John Simons)
5:00pm Movie
Saint Anne's, Hidden Vale
10:30am Christmas Service
All Saints, Marburg
10:30am Morning Prayer

Today's Bible Readings

Malachi 3.1—14
Song of Zechariah
Philippians 1.1—11
Luke 3.1—6

Reflect on today's sentence

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. For the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together.

Luke 3.4, Isaiah 40.5a

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.

Prayer of the Day

God of our salvation,
you straighten the winding ways of our
hearts and smooth the paths made
rough by sin:

keep our hearts watchful in holiness,
and bring to perfection the good you
have begun in us.

We ask this through him whose coming
is certain,

whose Day draws near,
your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



Today we warmly welcome Archbishop Jeremy Greaves to our parish. We look forward to his message in our service, and to having a cuppa afterwards.

Hidden Vale Service

Next Sunday's service at Hidden Vale is their Christmas service, and it is also a Baptism service.



Scripture memory verse: Heb 12:2

" Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our Faith"

Our Community

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

CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2024

As a Parish we usually support various organisations like Christmas Boxes and other Aid Providers. This year we would like to do something closer to home.

Our Chaplain, Krystal, from Rosewood, Coominya and Marburg State Schools has brought a situation to our attention. She writes, “There are 25 families in our area who are staying at a local business with one of my school families. All of these families are homeless or DV victims.”

Could we support Krystal in her outreach to these families remembering that Joseph and Mary were homeless on that first Christmas day? Donations of cash, gifts and groceries will be very welcome.

Parish Outreach

Bible Study

Bible Study continues in the St. Luke's Hall on Mondays at 1pm and Tuesdays at 10am. Studies are led by Rev'd John Simons. Everyone is invited to attend.

Morning Prayer

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

Friends on Friday

The final Friends on Friday for this year will be Friday 13 December, 9am—12pm. We will start up again on Friday 17 January.

Men's Group

Men's Group has ended for this year and will return in early 2025.

15 Dec—Christmas Service, Hidden Vale
21 Dec—Rosewood market
22 Dec—Advent 4 service, 6:30pm Marburg

SAVE THE DATE

Why we should be a praying Church

Martin Luther: “Prayer is the most important thing in my life. If I should neglect prayer for a single day, I should lose a great deal of the fire of faith.”

John Wesley: “I have so much to do that I must spend several hours in prayer before I am able to do it.”

Billy Graham: “Every person whose life has counted for the church or for the Kingdom of God has been a man of prayer. You cannot afford to be too busy to pray. A prayerless Christian is a powerless Christian.”

Prayer for the Archdeaconry

Loving God, let us be people of courage. Speak to the depths within our hearts and souls; the places where we ask the questions of meaning and faith and purpose. Help us attend to the answers, help us recognize what makes us afraid, what paralyzes and holds us back. Let us understand these things, and then with love, with humour, courage and humility let us teach and learn, dream, and imagine and with every action, every word, work towards the vision of Your Kingdom among us. In Jesus’s Name.
Amen.

Prayer Requests

We give thanks for prayers answered and ask for continued prayers for:

Bryan passed away recently. Please pray for his family. Desree Crawford & family, Penny & Bernie Montgomery, Jayke, Robyn, Jenny, Leone, parishioners in the congregation of Saint James.

Pray for those whose need is ongoing:

Marj Desbrow, Liesel Cole, Tyson, Jan Embrey, Yvonne and Ian Hillard, Enid and Susanne Mallon.

Parish Directory

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“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?”

Isaiah 43.18—19

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