#### 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 paralyses 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:

Peter Schulz, Gail, Kerri, Gail, Shirley & Graham Robinson, Aletta, Mitch, Bishop Cam, Margot, Shirley, parishioners in the congregation of All Saints.

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

David & Jo & family, Glen & Irene, Mari Desbrow, Liesel Cole, Tyson, Jan Embrey, Enid and Susanne Mallon.

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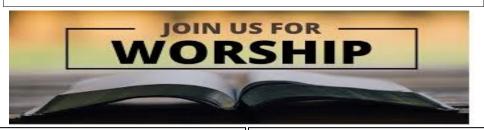
"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" Isaiah 43.18—19

> Giving: Envelopes are available at each centre. To deposit offerings: Anglican Parish of Rosewood BSB 704 901 A/c 00008030



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# 27 APRIL 2025 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**



# **Today's Services**

#### Saint Luke's

8:00am (Rev'd John)

4:30pm Alpha (followed by celebration dinner)

# All Saints, Marburg

# Next Week

#### Saint Luke's

8:00am (Rev'd John) 5:00pm Holy Communion (Rev'd John)

# 10:30am (Rev'd John)

**Easter Day Bible Readings** 

Acts 5.27-32 Psalm 118.14-29 Revelations 1.4—8 John 20.19—31

# Reflect on today's sentence

Jesus said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

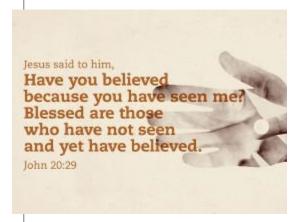
As we gather in the various churches of our parish, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul peoples, and their elders past and present. We honour the connection the traditional custodians have with this land.

# **Prayer of the Day**

Living God,
for whom no door is closed,
no heart is locked:
draw us beyond our doubts,
till we see your Christ
and touch his wounds where they bleed
in others.

This we ask through Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.



#### Rev'd John's Sermon Outline

#### INTRODUCTION- 1 Peter1:3

- "Praise be to God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead"
- \* Because Christ is Risen Hope is not a wish- NO! Christ is alive in us. Our inheritance as God's children is eternal, secured forever, yes even in adversity, we have every reason to rejoice! Hallelujah!
- \* vs 19. Jesus showed the frightened disciples the same grace and mercy, forgiveness and love that he always showed them. He came and stood among them and simply said "Peace be with you"
- \* vs 21. We are called to share the same peace and joy with the world so filled with doubt and fear.

Jesus said to them "as the Father has sent me, so I send you"

- \* vs 22. The Miracle of the Resurrection The Holy Spirit helps us -Jesus breathed on those apostles and said to them. Receive the Holy Spirit. Through this blessing, God imparted eternal Spiritual life- with this inbreathing came the power to do God's ministry and
- \*I believe of utmost importance for the ministry in the parish of Rosewood.
- \* vs 29. Jesus Ministry to Thomas A gentle reminder to all Christians not to doubt, but to believe. "Blessed are those who have not seen, yet Believe"

Believe and Rejoice in the Resurrection my friends! We are Risen in Him Hallelujah!

# **Our Community**

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

## **Alpha Study**

Come along to Alpha for our final session today, Sunday 27 April at 4.30pm. Renew your faith and enjoy fellowship with others and share a meal. Our last video will be "How can I make the most of the rest of my life". Celebration dinner to follow.

#### Kids Games—Helpers needed

Chappy Krystal has requested helpers for KidsGames Camp, being run in Winter holidays, Monday June 30 to Friday 4 July at Rosewood SS Hall. This camp is packed full of fun, and we need leaders with many different talents, as our program will include games, sports, craft, bible time, drama, and small group time.

There is no cost to leaders involved in this camp. And you are more than welcome to register your own children to participate. The cost for children to participate is \$70.

Leaders are required to hold a blue card, and will need to complete some online training.

Leaders should arrive at 8am to assist with set up, and have some prayer time before the children begin arriving. And we usually finish up at approximately 3:30-4pm, after all the children have been picked up, we pack up, debrief and have some prayer time to finish the day. On the last day, Friday, we will finish up approximately 5-5:30pm, as we invite the parents on the last day to come along and see what their children have been doing and celebrate with them. Please contact Chappy Krystal if you can help.



28 April—Men's group 4 May—Parish Council meeting 17 May—Rosewood markets