

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:

Enid, Mitch, Bishop Cam, Margot, Shirley, parishioners in the congregation of Saint Anne's.

Pray for those whose need is ongoing:

Marj Desbrow, Liesel Cole, Tyson, Jan Embrey, Yvonne and Ian Hillard, 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:
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Diocese of Brisbane—Parish of Rosewood
Rosewood, Marburg, Lowood, Hidden Vale

12 JANUARY 2025 THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



Today's Services

Saint Luke's, Rosewood

8:00am (Rev'd John Simons)

5:00pm Prayer & Praise

All Saints, Marburg

10:30am (Rev'd John Simons)

Next Week

Saint Luke's, Rosewood

8:00am Morning Prayer

3:30pm Praise & Songs

All Saints, Marburg

10:30am Morning Prayer

Today's Bible Readings

Isaiah 43.1—7

Psalms 29

Acts 8.14—17

Luke 3.15—22

Reflect on today's sentence

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Luke 3.22

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

Spirit of energy and change,
in whose power Jesus was anointed
to be the hope of the nations:
be poured out also upon us
without reserve or distinction,
that we may have confidence and
strength
to implant your justice on the earth;
through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**



Rev'd John's Sermon Outline

ISA 43:1 -7

Our Faith Mindset in 2025.
vs 1—7 'I have Redeemed you'

Acts 8:14 :17 'they received the Holy Spirit...' The Promise of the Holy Spirit For All -
John 14:26.

Luke 3: 15 -22

John's baptism with water symbolized the washing away of sins - repentance and
transformation of the mind.

vs 16 .Jesus's baptism with fire - Power needed to live this newness of life now!
Now more than ever we need this Spiritual Transformation - Rom. 12:2

THE BLESSEDNESS OF BEING CERTAIN OF GOD in uncertain times in 2025.

- * God does not Change - Faithful God .
- * God is Sovereign.
- * God is with us - Emmanuel!

Our Community

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



Rosewood Market 2025

Our first market for 2025 will be Saturday 15 February
commencing 7am. Helpers would be appreciated for the
BBQ, Op Shop and Bake stall on the day.

We also need bakers to make yummy cakes and slices for
the stall. If you can bake or prepare (no-bake) a cake or
slice for the stall, please bring on the day and include a
list of ingredients.

Please also assist with getting the word out to family and friends, and come
along on the day to support our stallholders. Lots of foot traffic makes for a
great community atmosphere!



15 Feb—Rosewood market
2 Mar—Annual General Meeting