

### 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:

Ian & the Hillard family and friends on the passing of Yvonne, Graham Robinson, Glen & Irene, Aletta, David & Jo & family, Enid, Mitch, Bishop Cam, Margot, Shirley, parishioners in the congregation of Saint James.

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

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

### Parish Directory

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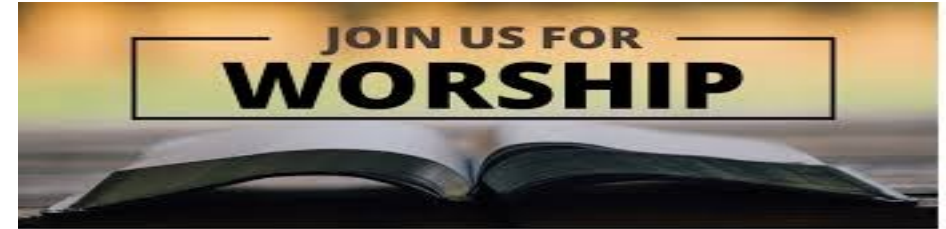
*"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?"*  
*Isaiah 43.18—19*

**Giving:** Envelopes are available at each centre. To deposit offerings:  
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Diocese of Brisbane—Parish of Rosewood  
*Rosewood, Marburg, Lowood, Hidden Vale*

**16 MARCH 2025**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**



### Today's Services

#### Saint Luke's, Rosewood

8:00am (Rev'd John Simons)

4:30pm Alpha

#### Saint Anne's, Hidden Vale

10:30am (Rev'd John Simons)

#### All Saints, Marburg

10:30am Morning Prayer

### Next Week

#### Saint Luke's, Rosewood

8:00am (Rev'd John Simons)

4:30pm Alpha

#### All Saints, Marburg

10:30am (Rev'd John Simons)

### Today's Bible Readings

Genesis 15.1—12, 17—18

Psalms 27

Philippians 3.17—21, 4.1

Luke 13.31—35

### Reflect on today's sentence

*Our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Philippians 3.20*

**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 ancestors,  
whose chosen servant Abraham  
was given faith to obey your call  
and go out into the unknown:  
endow your Church with such faith  
that we may follow you with courage;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



For our citizenship is  
in heaven, from which  
also we eagerly wait for  
a Savior, the Lord  
Jesus Christ; Phil 3:20.

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

LUKE 13 :34

Jesus grieves over Jerusalem

The Pharisees rejected Jesus -It was of no Spiritual significance to them.

Jesus - John 17:17' Thy word is Truth - The world is still rejecting Gods word today!

PHILIPPIANS 3. 17 - 21 ; 4.1 - WE ARE CITIZENS OF HEAVEN!

\*When the Spirit of Christ indwells us we are able to live as a citizen of heaven \*

\*1) vs 17 'we must always passionately follow Paul's example To have the mindset of Christ as in Phil 2:3-5.

\*2) vs 18-19 We must at times seek for the leading of the Holy Spirit -asking the Lord for the gift of discernment- in this we will be able to recognise attitudes which are not Christlike as in Phil 2;3-5

\*3) We are called to always patiently remind ourselves that we are citizens of heaven.

Beloved scripture teaches us that 'we must be transformed by the renewing of your mind' - do not conform to the pattern of this world...the Lord's Spirit will direct our hearts.

\*Submit to God's will for our lives - . PS 37;3-6

\*Delight in reading the scriptures and earnestly pursue heavenly minded citizenship.-

A divine promise awaits us- Matt.25:35

"Come ye blessed of my Father,inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the earth.

Let us Make this our Lenten desire as a citizen of heaven -  
Pray and Believe!

## **Our Community**

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

### **LENTEN STUDY**

Are you looking for a Lenten Study? Come along to Alpha on every Sunday at 4.30pm. Renew your faith and enjoy fellowship with others and share a meal.

### **Men's Group**

The Men's Group meets on the last Monday of the month at St Luke's Rosewood. Join us for a guest speaker, fellowship and a meal from 6:00pm..

### **Drake's IGA Grocery Collection**

Our first collection for the year will be on Saturday 29 March. We meet at the car park entrance at 9:00am and collect donations of grocery items for the Rosewood Community Centre emergency hampers. Please see Christina if you can help.



But our citizenship is in heaven.  
And we eagerly await a Savior from there,  
the Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Philippians 3:20**



29 Mar—Drakes IGA Grocery collection  
31 Mar—Men's group, Rosewood  
6 April—Parish Council meeting