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:

Delma & Clive Nicholls & family, Sandy, Peter Schulz, Gail, Kerri, Gail, Shirley & Graham Robinson, Aletta, Mitch, Bishop Cam, Margot, Shirley, parishioners in the congregation of Saint Anne's.

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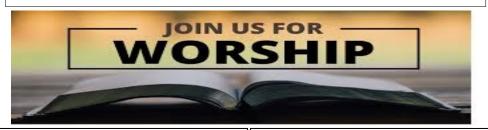
"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" Isaiah 43.18—19

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



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11 MAY 2025 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



Today's Services

Saint Luke's

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

All Saints, Marburg

10:30am (Rev'd John Simons)

Next Week

Saint Luke's

8:00am (Rev'd Bill Ross 5:00pm PP&P

Saint Anne's, Hidden Vale

10:30am (Rev'd Bill Ross)

All Saints, Marburg

10:30am Morning Prayer

* Rev'd John is on holidays 13 May to 3 June

Bible Readings

Acts 9.36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7.9—17 John 10.22—30

Reflect on today's sentence

The lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Revelation 7.17

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

Gracious God,

you sent Jesus, the good shepherd, to gather us together:

may we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you for ever;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.



Rev'd John's Sermon Outline

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

PS 23. is one of the Best known, Best loved chapters in the Bible

This psalm encouraged God's people for more than 2000 years

I hope and pray that these familiar words in the psalm will once again bring fresh strength and renewed hope, comfort and encouragement for us all.

Ps 23 is about what God does for His people and points us to JESUS CHRIST.

David said 'the Lord is my SHEPHERD'

* vs 1. The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want!

With confidence, only those who have accepted Jesus as personal Savior who can humbly say 'The Lord is My Shepherd!

*vs 2. He leads me beside still waters .God will supply all our needs 'we will enjoy a Peace that lasts!.

*vs 3.He restores my soul.. By nature sheep always wander off.

Likewise we often wander off doing our own thing -Prov 3:5

The Good Shepherd will search out the wandering sheep, the Good Shepherd always ready to restore you and me. Our God is ALL knowing. By the grace of God and in step with the Holy Spirit, prayer and the word of God, we are forever restored .Jer 30:17.

*vs 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil .! John 10:17,28 . My sheep know my voice

PS 34:7. "The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him and God delivers them.

*vs 5 - Thou prepares a table before my enemies, you anoint my head with oil. vs 6. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever!. * Today we have the Blessed assurance to know that we know that The Lord is our Shepherd and that we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Receive God's anointing today and boldly declare, the Lord is my Shepherd!

Our Community

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

ANGLICANS ABLAZE QUEENSLAND 2025 is a Spirit-filled gathering for clergy and laity alike created to encourage, equip and renew the church through vibrant worship, biblical teaching, prayer ministry and deep fellowship. The next Conference is at St. Barnabas Anglican Church at Sunnybank from Friday 20th June 6pm to Saturday 21st June 8.30pm. Cost is \$22.49 per person. Please see Revd. John or any of the Wardens if you are interested in attending. Transport can be arranged.

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.



17 May—Rosewood markets

31 May—Grocery collection at Rosewood Drakes

26 July—Christmas in July