

as Christ's Followers we Prayerfully Seek to Grow In Christ and to Share God's Love through Faith In Action.

A Word from our Clergy

The Good Shepherd

During Jesus' ministry Israel was under the rule of the brutal Roman Empire. God had been silent for some 400 years. The leaders of Israel were corrupt, the law suffocating, and the people hope-less - all them lost, hopeless and helpless - like sheep without a shepherd.

It was into this world that Jesus came, declaring that He was the Good Shepherd of Israel (John 10:11).

This idea of the Good Shepherd was not new to Israel. God had declared Himself to be the Shepherd of the people through the prophet Ezekiel (Ezekiel 34:11-14). He promised to find the lost and the stray, to rescue the perishing, to nurse the wounded, and to feed the hungry. God was not distant and impersonal, He was indeed personal and involved, which is how David could confidently declare, "The Lord is my Shepherd" (Psalm 23:1). David knew God, and he knew that He is not just a community Shepherd but also a personal Shepherd who nurtures, feeds, protects, guides and blesses us as we journey in life.

Jesus brought this rich understanding into his declaration that He is the Good Shepherd: with this declaration He revealed that He is in fact God. As Shepherd, He knows His sheep -He recognised them and they recognise His voice (John 10:3,14). In His elaboration of the relationship between Shepherd and sheep, Jesus brings our attention to the heart of this relationship—the Shepherd's love for the sheep.

In His parable of the lost sheep, Jesus paints a dynamic picture of the Shepherd's love in action (Luke 15:3-7). The Shepherd leaves the 99 sheep in safety, and then as the sky darkened rapidly and the temperature dropped steeply, He sets out to find the lost sheep, lost probably because it wandered away, either through distraction or plain wilfulness. The Shepherd could have written it off, thinking, "Why go to so much trouble to rescue a stupid animal?" And yet, He went to search. This story is a window into the heavenly Shepherd's heart and His love for us.

This love is perfectly manifested when the Shepherd lays down His life for His sheep (John 10:11).

Consider this: Do you know Jesus as your shepherd? Do you know His voice? Are you allowing Him to guide and lead you?

Grace & Peace,

Jen

Prayer

OUR PARISH

Jeffrey Keily, Glen Keily, Jaquie Keily, Noel Rodger, Glenda Rodger, Ella Rose Sinclair, Bob Witten, Beverley Jarvis, Khalil Mellick, Elsie Wright, Maddison Chellon, Clyde Hoffman, Carol Smith, Warren Wesser, Del Lockyer and family, Lillias Jensen, Clyde Wode, Joyce Watts, Judy Truss, Monica Green, Gloria Cowie, Judy.

And people with COVID in our parish.

Lectionary Readings			
	21April	28 April	
1st	Acts 4.5-12	Acts 8.26-40	
Psalm	23	22.26-32	
Epistle	1 John 3.16-24	1 John 4.7-21	
Gospel	John 10.11-18	John 15.1-8	





Kids Club would really appreciate your help if you could spare some time between 3 and 5 on Friday afternoons. Please consider

Diocesan Prayer

21/04/2024

THE CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA -The Diocese of Rockhampton Bishop Peter Grice and Virginia

CQ DIOCESE- Longreach Parish St Andrew's Longreach with Church of the Incarnation Jundah and All Saints' Muttaburra and Special Ministry District of Winton St Paul's Winton Under the Care of the Bishop

Lay Assistants

Delphine Delaney, Barney Kent, Jane Rogerson, Kathy Vaughan

Give thanks for the faithful people who have continued to meet together, to be church, in difficult circumstances and for the Lay Leaders across the Western Region who continue to step up to fill gaps.

PARTNER DIOCESE-POPONDOTA (PNG)- Urban Archdeaconary

Igora (sub-parish) Fr Winter Mudio

Isiveni Parish Fr Spencer Kombega, Dn Jerome Komedi

Resurrection Cathedral Fr Leonard Jinga, Dean of Cathedral Fr Matthew Aigaba, Vicar General Ifane (HMD) Fr Hubert Tariambari AD, Dn Carson Ivahupa, Dn Peter Handari 14/04/2024

28/04/2024

THE CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA - Anglicare Australia Chair The Rt Revd Dr Chris Jones and Christine Executive Director Kasy Chambers

CQ DIOCESE-

Give thanks for technology enabling better communications throughout this vast Diocese. Please pray for wisdom and clarity in communications with both internal and external stakeholders. Pray that in all communications that we, as a Diocese and individual ministry units, will faithfully proclaim the gospel, loving god and our neighbour

PARTNER DIOCESE-POPONDOTA (PNG) -

Diocese of the New Guinea Islands -Archbishop position currently vacant

BCA Prayer Points

21/04/2024

SU Australia (Generate) Field Development Manager

Rachael Bell

Please pray for SRE boards across NSW as they work to fundraise and support SRE teachers. Pray for generous financial supporters to enable this important ministry in our schools to continue.

28/04/2024 Emerald/Blackwater

Daniel & Jenni Avenell

Give thanks for our Service men and women who laid down their lives to preserve our freedoms. "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."

Lightning Ridge

Kurt & Rebecca Langmead

Pray for effective and fruitful follow up of new contacts following the Easter Festival in Lightning Ridge. Pray for the Indigenous Ministry Rally being held in Narrabri from 24 – 25 May



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Update from BiC 20st February 2024.

This was the first meeting of the 2024.

Budget:

financials continue to show an operating surplus. financial risk areas for the Diocese continue to be Redress, PIPA and Parish Viability.

Risk and Insurance:

Key Strategic risks were reviewed.

Review of potential impact of Supreme Court ruling overturning Deed of Release in historic cases of sexual abuse. Additional financial risk noted in risk review.

Major incident in a residential property setting. Low risk issue to Diocese due to insurance being held by contractor; this incident highlighted the need for all trades people carrying out work on Parish/Diocesan buildings and land to hold appropriate public liability insurance.

Key information

Cathedral Precinct Sale continues to be delayed due to Government processing issues. Major maintenance required on Musgrave Street Property due to water leaks (Rockhampton). Major repairs required to Tank Street Property due to ageing infrastructure (Gladstone). Major maintenance required on St James Yeppoon (Keppel).

Key Decisions:

Review of Mount Morgan operations and buildings to be undertaken.

Operational review of Parish of Gladstone to be undertaken.

Option for outsourcing Safe Ministry processing and clearances to be explored and proposal tabled at next meeting.

Anglicare Board Nomination endorsed to replace retiring Diocesan representative. This nomination is made in line with AnglicareCQ constitution and will be in place until the Anglicare AGM later in 2024.

National Church:

National Evangelism Workshop attended by Ven Rob Stanley and Rev'd Jen Hercott in Melbourne in February. A plan for a national program in 2025 was agreed. More information will follow on this exciting initiative. National Bishops meeting scheduled for March 2024

Staff movements:

Rev'd Brian Darbyshire commenced as Locum in Parish of Boyne River until 30th September 2024. Rev'd Nick Hearnshaw will commence as Locum in Parish of Gladstone at the beginning of March 2024 for three months. Dean-elect Rt Rev'd Ross Nicholson commencing in July 2024.

Current Vacancies

North Rockhampton -Rev'd Narelle Kidson locum with Rev'd Bob Witten and Rev'd Jennifer Hercott assisting.

Wandal – Rev'd David Gentle and Rev'd Barrie Harvey shared locum.

Gracemere – Under the care of the Bishop - Rev'd Jennifer Hercott assisting.

Gladstone – Under the care of the Bishop – Locum arrangements in place from March 2024.

Boyne/Tannum – Under the care of the Bishop - Locum arrangements in place.

Clermont - Under the care of the Bishop.

Moranbah – Under the care of the Bishop.

Longreach – Under the Care of the Bishop.

Barcaldine – Under the care of the Bishop.

Winton – Under the Care of the Bishop.

Diary Notes:

Provincial Bishops meeting in Brisbane, 10th & 11th March National Bishops Conference in Bendigo, 17th – 21st March Lay Development Rockhampton, 23rd March Lay Development Biloela, 27th April Lay Development Springsure, 25th May Diocesan Clergy Conference, 16th - 29th May Lay Development Barcaldine, 22nd June Diocesan combined series on Grace - June Lay Development Rockhampton, 27th July Rockhampton Women's Conference, 10th August Provincial Clergy Conference, 19th - 22nd August Lay Development Emerald, 24th August Lay Development Biloela, 28th September Synod, 18th – 20th October Clergy Retreat, 20th – 23rd October National Bishop's meeting, 28th – 30th October Lay Development Barcaldine, 23rd November

PC Summary for March

 Cash at Bank
 29 February 2024 (parish accounts only) \$200,100.40\$ February 2024

 Income
 \$18,023.91

 Expenses (including movement in GST)
 \$13,049.05

 Surplus (Deficit)
 \$ (4,974.86)

The property rates of \$6,571.14 were paid in February 2024

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unearthing stories of faith

Join us for this special free event as Karl Faase, Colin Buchanan and bull rider Tim Kelly share stories of faith that have helped shape Australia.







7.00pm | Friday 10 May 2024 Rockhampton Baptist Church 650 Norman Rd, Norman Gardens

faith runs deep



OLIVETREE MEDIA

ROCKHAMPTON WOMEN'S Conference



^{9am-3pm} | 10 AUG | \$25

St Paul's Anglican Cathedral Centre 89 William St, Rockhampton MORNING TEA & LUNCH INCLUDED ONLINE REGISTRATION DETAILS TO FOLLOW

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ROCKHAMPTON March for Jife

GOD SAYS, "BEFORE I FORMED YOU IN THE WOMB I KNEW YOU"

Saturday 25th May

1.30pm Gather 2.00pm Speakers March to follow

Rockhampton Riverside Precinct Amphitheatre Quay Street

marchforliferockhampton@gmail.com

Calendar & Contacts

Please let Ross know if you'd like any events added to the calendar Weekly Events

Monday

Tuesday 9.30am Mainly Music Contact Yvonne 0403 137 293 Wednesday 10am Secret Men's Business 2pm KYB Shalom Contact Sue 0447 829 594 Thursday 9.30 Bible Study Contact Jenny 4928 5651 Friday 4pm Kid's Club Contact Renee 0407 012 603 Please check if in recess during school holidays Saturday 10am Bible Study Contact Jen 0435824414

Monthly Events

1st Tuesday 10am Leinster Place Contact Narelle 0429 180 282 2nd Monday 10.00am Ladies Cuppa & Chat Contact Carol 0409 578 562 2nd Tuesday 10am St Matthews Contact Narelle 0429 180 282 2nd & 4th Wednesday 10.30am Bible Study Contact Narelle 0429 180 282 2nd Friday 9.30am MU Contact Glenda 0427 717 628 3rd Monday 9.30am Bethany Contact Narelle 0429 180 282 3rd Sunday 10.00 Parish Council 4th Tuesday 10am St Matthews Contact Narelle 0429 180 282 **Special Events**

NORTH ROCKHAMPTON

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Please complete + tear off this section + give it to Narelle or Bob after the service to add/update your details or to let us know how we can serve.

Name:	. Service:	. Date:
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Mobile:	. Hm:	Wk:
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