

BUNDABERG LUTHERAN PARISH

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OUR MISSION

“Celebrating life in Jesus, Growing in Faith, Sharing his Love”



13th April, 2025

EASTER SERVICE TIMES IN OUR PARISH

Maundy Thursday:

St. John's: 7.00 p.m. H.C. (Pastor Greg Bensted)

Good Friday:

Faith: 8.00 a.m. H.C. (Pastor Graham Pfeffer)
St. John's: 9.00 a.m. H.C. (Pastor Greg Bensted)
Gracehaven: 10.30 a.m. H.C. (Pastor Graham Pfeffer)

Easter Sunday:

Faith: 8.00 a.m. H.C. (Brett Mankofski)
Redeemer: 8.00 a.m. H.C. (Pastor Graham Pfeffer)
St. John's: 9.00 a.m. H.C. (Pastor Greg Bensted)
Gracehaven: 10.30 a.m. H.C. (Pastor Greg Bensted)
Rosedale: 10.30 a.m. H.C. (Pastor Graham Pfeffer)



Celebrating life in Jesus

Valuing: Joy, Vibrant Worship, Hospitality, Discipleship, Faith at Home, the Gospel, Grace, Personal Faith.

Our Ministry for This Week

- Monday: Pastor Graham's Day Off
Pastor Greg's Day Off
- Tuesday: 7.00 p.m. St. John's Church Council Meeting
- Wednesday: 11.30 a.m. Bundaberg Ministers' Association Meeting
- Maundy Thursday: 7.00 p.m. Service at St. John's
- Good Friday to Easter Sunday:

SEE FRONT PAGE OF BULLETIN FOR EASTER SERVICE TIMES

BAPTISM AT ST. JOHN'S



At St. John's Morning Service today, Eleanor Naomi Quinlan, daughter of Malcolm and Nicole, will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. *Please pray for Eleanor and her parents as they begin new lives in Christ.*



FAITH MEMBERS please note there will be an extraordinary meeting following service **TODAY, SUNDAY 13TH APRIL** to pass the Budget. An amended proposed budget is available ... please note the increase in Parish giving which was passed at the Parish AGM. To meet this increase, cuts in other areas needed to be made. Please prayerfully consider. *Yours in Christ, Debbie Klein (Treasurer).*



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Maundy Thursday Service will be held at St. John's on Thursday, 17th April at 7.00 p.m.

INVITATION TO A CUPPA AND CHAT

A "Cuppa & Chat" is held on the first Thursday of each month at 1pm at River Cruz Café, 3 Quay Street, Bundaberg. The next catch-up will be on THURSDAY, 1ST MAY, 2025.



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME ALONG!!

For more information, please contact Sheryl Gayfer on 0487 749 298.



BUNDABERG LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH CAMP

Friday, 2nd to Sunday, 4th May, 2025

Wyper Park Scout Camp, 1458 Childers Road, South Bingera, 4670

The Parish Camp Registration Form is included in this week's Bulletin

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON 22ND APRIL

Completed forms can be returned to Debbie Klein, Pastor Graham Pfeffer or Eryl in the Parish Office



VACANCY: Parish Chairperson

At the Annual General Meeting of the Bundaberg Lutheran Parish, election meetings were held for the Parish Council. There were no nominations received and accepted for the position of Chairperson of Parish Council, and this position was declared vacant at the meeting. The Bundaberg Lutheran Parish Council are seeking nominations for this position to bring forward to a special meeting of the Parish, which will be convened to elect a Chairperson. We would particularly encourage members from the Congregations and Preaching Places of the regional communities to prayerfully consider this role as St. John's has several representatives on the Parish Council. We would like to thank those people for taking on these positions. All other roles on Parish Council have been filled. Please contact the Vice-Chairperson Brett Mankofski on 0427 553 984 to submit a nomination for Chairperson to the Parish Council for consideration.

ST. JOHN'S OP SHOP INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR MARCH

Income - \$2,857.00

Expenditure - \$Nil

Balance - \$76,807.00

CONFIRMATION



Pastor Graham will now be commencing classes later in the year. If you would like your child/children (from ages 12 years and above) to participate in Confirmation classes this year, please contact Pastor Graham or Eryl in the Parish Office.



KNOW YOUR BIBLE STUDY

Are you a woman who is interested in enriching your spiritual life and to be built up in the Christian faith through bible-based teaching? Each week In Term 2, beginning on Friday May 2nd at 9am in the St John's Lutheran hall youth room, women are invited to join a group to 'learn from the Teacher', Luke 9 to 16 using the Know Your Bible study book. KYB uses a question and answer learning style, reinforced by group discussion, summaries and review notes. The straightforward approach is designed to help all people engage with the richness of God's word for themselves.

The CWCI (Christian Women Communicating International) board produces a new KYB study for each term. Study books contain units made up of daily Bible Readings and questions, which are completed before the meeting. Notes for KYB leaders are supplied in a separate leader's guide.

Contact Alicia Graham 0448 673 731 or Katie Mallett 0439 740 664



WORSHIP SERVICES AT GIN GIN

Pastor Graham Pfeffer will be taking Worship Services at Gin Gin on the first and third Sunday of each Month. Services will now be held at the Anglican Church's Godfrey Wilson Memorial Hall, 41 Mildren Street, Gin Gin.

A WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL TO ATTEND THESE SERVICES.



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2025 LENTEN DOWNLOADABLE DEVOTIONAL

The 2025 Lenten Devotional 'Miraculous Jesus' is now available on the LTM website. Download and print this resource FREE or download and use as a flipbook on your device. This and more Lent and Easter resources are available on the LTM website.

LUTHERAN WOMEN OF OLD

The Lutheran Women of Queensland, CENTRAL ZONE ANNUAL RALLY that was hosted by Rockhampton and Gladstone Lutheran ladies last weekend was attended by about 30 women from Mackay, Emerald, Springsure, Biloela, Gladstone, Yeppoon, Bundaberg, Hervey Bay and by Val Kath, president of the LWQ. Rockhampton ladies always put on a great weekend of hospitality, and blessings came from focus on the theme of 'WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS, MAKE LEMONADE' and the theme verse "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." ROMANS 8:38-39. Guest Speaker, Donna Kirkland, State member for Rockhampton, was an inspiring and interesting speaker, telling how her faith in God helped her on mission trips to Ukraine, to step out and put her name forward for selection as a politician and other times. She gave examples of when she felt squeezed, grated and wedged, like a lemon and how God turned those times into lemonade, into experiences to change lives for better.

Val Kath, LWQ president, encourages ladies to join Lutheran Women of Queensland for \$15 membership and come to the 2025 STATE CONVENTION to be held at Kingaroy on May 16th. In 2026, the Emerald ladies will host the CQ Rally.

Faith Ladies have a FELLOWSHIP DAY on the FIRST THURSDAY of the month at 9am, with a bible study led by Pastor Graham Pfeffer. See the 'what's on this week' in the bulletin for reminders.

From Alicia Graham 0448 673 7331.



MAINLY MUSIC - Will resume after the School Holidays on Wednesday, 23rd April. We are still looking for some extra volunteers as members of our team go on holidays. If you would like to join our wonderful team, please see Gay or Lyn. You will need to have a Blue Card.

PARISH CAMP REGISTRATION FORM

2nd to 4th May, 2025

Names: Adult (1) _____

(2) _____

Children _____

Phone No: _____

Email: _____

Camp Fees

Full Camp and Dinner Fee - per adult ____ @ **\$50** Total _____

Camp Fee Children - **Free**

Dinner per child (under 12) ____ @ **\$12** Total _____

Saturday only Incl Dinner ____ @ **\$35** Total _____

Saturday Only – Day Activities ____ @ **\$10** Total _____

Saturday night dinner ____ @ **\$30** Total _____

Sunday Night (optional add on) ____ @ **\$10** Total _____

TOTAL PAYMENT _____

Special Dietary requirements details _____

Friday Night Shedmen & Sunday Worship – No Camp Fee

CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATIONS IS 22ND APRIL 2025

Please complete and return this page with your payment to

Faith North Bundaberg Lutheran Church

Payments can be made by Cheque made to the above and sent with

Registration to Bundaberg Lutheran Church Parish Office, PO Box 3321,

Bundaberg Central

Direct Deposit to: BSB 704 942, A/c No 100 940 218, Ref: Your Name

Please email payment details & registration to debbiemk1958@gmail.com

I the undersigned apply to participate in this Bundaberg Lutheran Parish Camp. I declare that the Camp Officers and all others concerned with the Camp shall be free from all responsibility whatsoever for any accidents and/or illness resulting from my participation in any activities associated with the Camp.

I further state that I will allow my photo to be taken and used for promotion of the camp. YES/NO

Signed _____



WAYS TO GIVE TO THE WORK OF THE LORD

As a way of supporting ongoing ministry and after several enquiries, you may like to do internet banking, which can be set up to direct debit into St. John's account, weekly, fortnightly, or monthly.

The details of St. John's internet banking account is as follows:-

Account Name: St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
BSB No: 064-403
Account No: 004 900 65

OR you may wish to use Regular Electronic Giving (REG).

St. John's LLL REG account number is as follows:-

Account Name: St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
BSB No: 704-942
Account No: 52931 S1

REG is anonymous.

Please prayerfully consider if you would like to commit to regularly giving to God's work through our congregation. If you would like more information about REG, please contact Geoff Sampson or Judith Krenske, our Treasurer, for answers or a brochure.



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Passing on Faith, Innovation.**



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2025**

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Valuing: Outward Focus, Loving One Another, Using our gifts, Shared Ministry, Service, Community Care.



SCRIPTURE READINGS ROSTER FOR ST. JOHN'S 9.00 A.M. SERVICE

- 13/04/25 Rhiannon Grotherr
- 18/04/25 (**Good Friday**) Tony Bowes
- 20/04/25 (**Easter Sunday**) Eddie Stone
- 27/04/25 Brenda Cochrane
- 04/05/25 Russell Hensel
- 11/05/25 Melva Ferguson
- 18/05/25 Greg Uebergang
- 25/05/25 **Community Sunday**
- 01/06/25 Laurel Mathews
- 08/06/25 Malcolm Quinlan
- 15/06/25 Christine Tyson
- 22/06/25 Kay Tesch



- REG is a **convenient, safe and confidential** way of giving a regular offering to your congregation.
- Your REG offering can come from your **bank, credit union or LLL facility**.
- You can set up REG to coincide with your regular income (eg salary, pension, dividends) or budget: **weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly or even half-yearly**.
- **REG keeps things confidential**. Your congregation doesn't receive any information regarding your identity or the amount of your offering.

How REG benefits you

- No need to remember to bring cash to church
- If you are away from church, your offering is still made
- You can apply 'first fruits' principles

How REG benefits your congregation

- Provides a regular income or cash flow, making budgeting easier
- Can increase giving through the convenience of direct debits
- Safer because there is less cash to handle and bank each week



To check out the benefits of REG and to register: www.lca.org.au/REG



See your treasurer for more information



Have a wonderful day

ST. JOHN'S **MORNING TEA ROSTER 2025**

PLEASE NOTE:

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DAY, PLEASE SWAP WITH SOMEONE ON THE ROSTER BELOW

DATE	NAME	NAME
13 April 2025	Melva Ferguson	Lyn Milton
20 April 2025	Laurel Mathews	Carla Heaton
27 April 2025	Judy Krenske	Adrian Krenske
4 May 2025	Melva Ferguson	Lyn Milton
11 May 2025	Laurel Mathews	Carla Heaton
18 May 2025	Judy Krenske	Adrian Krenske
25 May 2025	Melva Ferguson	Lyn Milton
1 June 2025	Laurel Mathews	Carla Heaton
8 June 2025	Judy Krenske	Adrian Krenske

If supplies for morning tea are running low or out, please contact Allison Heiner on 4151 2760.

Thank you.



PALM/PASSION SUNDAY PRAYERS



Almighty God, heavenly Father, we give you thanks and praise for the holy and joyful days that lie before us. As we begin to celebrate this most holy week, be with your church throughout the world and bless her worship and praise. May your Son Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, be clearly portrayed before the world.

We pray for those who have no faith, like the crowds. Bless the witness of your church this holy week that the word of your Son's death and resurrection may call all people from death to life.

We pray for those who have sinned, like Peter.
Teach us all to be sorry for our sins, and forgive us for Jesus' sake.

We pray for prisoners and criminals like Barrabas.
May they find true freedom through your forgiveness and by changing the way they live.

We pray for people in government, like Pilate.
May they be responsible and serve truth and justice, and use their power for the good of all people.

We pray for those who are dying, like the thieves who died with Jesus.
May they die with Jesus by their side, and be received into your kingdom.

We pray for parents like Mary who have lost a child.
May they bear their suffering and know the comfort of your love.

We pray for all who face sickness and distress.
We bring before you those in need. Watch over them, sustain them, and heal them according to your good and gracious will.

We pray for the whole human race, that all will come to know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour, and king of all the world.

Almighty God: Father, King and Saviour – we praise you for goodness and grace shown to us in Christ Jesus your Son. As he rode humbly into Jerusalem on a donkey, to conquer the world through his own execution, may he ride into our lives this Easter and renew our lives in service and praise to you, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LCA STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY



The Lutheran Church of Australia (LCA) is committed to providing a safe church environment for children and young people. The LCA acknowledges that children are a precious gift from God, with special vulnerabilities, that they require nourishment and nurture in their spiritual development and that they are to be protected from all forms of abuse.

The LCA also affirms that it has no tolerance for child abuse and that all its people have an important responsibility to care for children and to keep them safe. The way we care for children reflects our genuineness of faith. It is also a reflection of God's love and his divine protection.



The LCA's Child Safety Standards Booklet, which provides the guidelines and training resources to help support the well-being of children and vulnerable people, is available to download at www.lca.org.au/css
A copy of the Booklet is also available to view from the entrance table to Church and in the Parish Office.