



HOLY SPIRIT
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Holy Spirit News

WELCOME | June 21, 2026

FEATURED NEWS

Those who find
their life will lose it,
and those who lose
their life for Jesus'
sake will find it.
Matthew 10: 39

Congratulations

Rev'd

Simon Tang

**on being announced
as Sunnybank Parish's
new Priest-in-Charge!**

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WELCOME

Welcome! We're delighted that you have been able to join us for worship and we pray that you might find a place to belong. We'd love for you to complete one of our Welcome Cards. If you are a baptised member of any denomination, you are welcome to join us for communion. Please join us after the service for refreshments!

FROM JENNY

In 2026, Mothers' Union celebrates 150 years since its founding in England by Mary Sumner, the wife of a parish priest who gathered young mothers to support one another in parenting and Christian family life. From those humble beginnings, Mothers' Union has grown into a worldwide movement of more than four million members across 84 countries, united by prayer and a commitment to strengthening families.

Prayer remains at the heart of everything Mothers' Union does. Through the Brisbane Diocese, members support a wide range of ministries, including emergency relief, women's shelters, family holidays, Scripture Union camps, student bursaries, literacy projects in the Solomon Islands, and youth homelessness initiatives. Hundreds of individuals and families benefit from this practical care each year. At Algester, Mothers' Union members actively serve both the parish and wider community. They visit residents in aged care, provide food and hospitality for parish events, support Mainly Music, assist local charities, create blessing bags for the sick, and welcome families through gifts for those being baptised. They also raise funds for diocesan ministries, host guest speakers, knit for the Mission to Seafarers, and foster strong friendships among members. Through faith, prayer, and practical service, Mothers' Union continues to make a lasting difference in the lives of families and communities.

In Christ,
Jenny Bullock

Empowering and Transforming lives to be Disciples of Jesus

GENERAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

26 June - Mainly Music 10am [Final Term 2]

26-28 June - SYNOD Weekend

2 July - Men's Dinner 6.30pm for 7pm

16 July - Coffee & Chat

18 July - Commissioning Service, 3pm

19 July - Confirmation Service with Bp John, 9am Service

ZOOM:

A reminder if you wish to link into our 9am Sunday Services via Zoom, the details are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82199826984>

Meeting ID: 821 9982 6984

COMMUNICATION:

If you have a concern or something's going on in your life, you can always speak to or email Rev'd Chris and don't assume that someone will share your situation. Chris's door is always open for a coffee/beer/wine catch-up.

SERMONS ONLINE:

Sermon videos are now online on our YouTube channel @holyspiritalgester or on our website under the Grow tab.

WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY:

Our parish is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for all parishioners, visitors, volunteers, contractors and staff.

- ◆ Following a recent incident in which a parishioner was injured, please do not place any objects in the church or on parish grounds without first discussing this with Rev'd Chris or the wardens [Kay O'Brien/Ruth Barton].

- ◆ If you are on site when the office is unattended, please ensure that Rev'd Chris or wardens are aware by sending a text message, email or in person. This is important for your safety so that insurance requirements are met in the unlikely event of an incident.
- ◆ Volunteers are asked not to undertake any task unless they are properly trained, authorised, and physically able to carry it out safely.

NEW MISSION GIVING ACCOUNT:

If you'd like to give electronically to our missions each month, we have a new account: Algester Anglican Parish, BSB: 704 901 Account#: 00015767

For first-time users, your bank might send a warning message to ensure this is a legitimate account - it's nothing to do with our account. It's your bank making sure you are ok with it as you're adding a new account to your payees.

MEN'S DINNER:

We are getting together for a Men's Dinner on Thursday 2 July, 6.30 for 7pm, at the Lucky Star Tavern in Sunnybank Hills.

Please add names to clipboard in the foyer or RSVP to Hugh 0412 091 479.

COMMISSIONING SERVICE:

The Commissioning Service for Rev'd Simon Tang as Priest-in-Charge at Sunnybank Parish will take place on Saturday 18 July, 3pm at St Barnabas, 189 Lister St, Sunnybank. All welcome.



Week 4

Binding of Isaac

SUNDAY MORNING *SERMON NOTES:*

FAMILY TIME **TALK**

Have you ever had to trust someone even when you didn't understand what was happening? What made it easier to trust them? Read Genesis 22:1-14 together. Abraham trusted God even when he didn't understand God's plan. What are some things our family finds hard to trust God with? How can we remind each other that God always keeps his promises?

PLAN

Go on a family walk and collect a few small stones. When you return home, write words such as Trust, Faith, Promise, Provision, and Jesus on the stones. Place them somewhere visible as a reminder that, just as God provided for Abraham, God provides for us and can be trusted in every situation.

PRAY

Place a cross in the centre of the table. Around it place the stones you have decorated. Take turns naming something you are trusting God with at the moment—a concern, challenge, hope, or decision. Thank God for his faithfulness to Abraham, for providing Jesus as our Saviour, and for always being with us when life is difficult. Pray that your family would trust God's promises and seek to glorify Jesus in all circumstances.

READINGS

SENTENCE:

Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for Jesus' sake will find it.

Matthew 10.39

A READING FROM GENESIS, CHAPTER 22, VERSES 1-14:

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy

or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS:

Psalms 86.1-10, 16-17

- 1 Incline your ear to me, O God, and answer me:
for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 **Preserve my life, for I am faithful:
My God, save your servant who trusts in you.**
- 3 Be merciful to me, O Lord:
for I call to you all the day long.
- 4 **O make glad the soul of your servant:
for I put my hope in you, O Lord.**
- 5 For you, Lord, are good and forgiving:
of great and continuing kindness
to all who call upon you.
- 6 **Hear my prayer, O Lord:
and give heed to the voice of my supplication.**
- 7 In the day of my trouble I call upon you:
for you will surely answer.
- 8 **Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord:
nor are there any deeds like yours.**
- 9 All the nations you have made
shall come and worship before you:
O Lord, they shall glorify your name.
- 10 **For you are great and do marvellous things:
and you alone are God.**

16 Turn to me and be merciful,
give your strength to your servant:
and save the child of your handmaid.

**17 Show me some token of your goodness:
that those who hate me may see it and be
ashamed,
because you, Lord, are my helper and my
comforter.**

**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO
THE ROMANS, CHAPTER 6, VERSES 1-11:**

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW, CHAPTER 10,
VERSES 24-39:**

‘A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the

master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

‘So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

‘Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

‘Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his
father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her
mother-in-law;
and one’s foes will be members of
one’s own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Today we ask you to join with Mothers' Union Worldwide in celebrating 150 years of ministry in 84 countries.

Faithful and loving God, who called Mary Sumner to strive for the renewal of family life and for her vision for a fellowship of women committed to prayer and service, supporting each other and their communities. Give us the gift of your Holy Spirit, that through your word, prayer and action your family may be strengthened and your people served.

For your love and goodness

We give you thanks, O God

We pray for MU members and leaders worldwide that they may work towards making a meaningful difference in the lives of millions through unique, faith-based and community-led approaches to tackling poverty, injustice and violence. We pray for all who engage in advocacy against gender and family violence especially through the 16 Days of Activism. Give members and us all, courage to boldly speak out about issues in society that destabilise family life.

For your love and goodness

We give you thanks, O God

Lord, we ask your blessing on all families who are experiencing war, trauma, displacement, poverty, hunger or distress. We pray for efforts to advocate for human rights, to reduce marginalization and oppression and promote gender equity; especially projects that offer educational opportunities, build resilience and empowerment skills especially for women and girls. May the Good News of the love of Jesus and his saving grace be shared and lived in all faith communities and beyond.

For your love and goodness

We give you thanks, O God

We pray for the members of the Mothers' Union in this Diocese as they seek your guidance into the future. We pray for Archbishop Jeremy and our diocesan clergy and people, for the MU Diocesan President Jenny Bullock, all branch leaders, the trustees and all our members, that they may remain resilient and focused on the support of family life within the church and the communities in which we live.

For your love and goodness

We give you thanks, O God

Loving Lord, we pray for your healing hand on all who are physically and or emotionally unwell, those without hope, the unemployed, and those living on the fringes of society. We pray for survivors of domestic abuse who have found in us a place of safety and new hope; for people in prison, who we visit and do not forget, in whom we seek and find your face. We give you thanks for all who bring hope, comfort and healing.

We commend to you all those listed in our pewsheet and others that are on our own hearts

For your love and goodness

We give you thanks, O God

Jesus the risen Christ, we give thanks and pray for those who have died recently and pray for their family and friends.

Lord, we give you thanks today for the life and witness of Mary Sumner and her vision in creating Mothers' Union.

We live in the hope of the resurrection when we will share with all your saints in your eternal presence.

For your love and goodness

We give you thanks, O God

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers compiled by Robin Ray, President Mothers' Union Australia

ROSTERS

Date	21-6-26		28-6-26	
	7.00am	9.00am	7.00am	9.00am
Worship Leader	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate
Preacher	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate
LA Leader	Rosemary Kake	Dianne Bocquee	Allan Berry	Kathy Carter
Greeter	Lyn Backlund	Malini/Lesley	-	Kerry Tovey
Sidesperson	Joan Harvey	Lorraine Jones	Rosemary & Rose	Dianne Bocquee
Reader 1	Kay O'Brien	Sandra Pearn	Joan Harvey	Carol Booth
Reader 2	Sama O'Brien	Kathy Carter	Kay O'Brien	Shiprah Allu
Offertory	Joan Harvey	Lorraine Jones	Rosemary & Rose	Dianne Bocquee
Chapel Prayers	-	Rhonda Nelson	-	Carol Booth
Morning Tea	Mothers' Union	Mothers' Union	Jeanette Clark	Cecelia plus helper
Music Leader	Michael Po Saw	Ruth Barton	Michael Po Saw	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	Adrian Scott	Chris/Joshua	Adrian Scott	Ian
Prayers of the people	Mothers' Union		<i>Prayers taken from Let Us Pray</i>	
Counting	Ian Nelson		Dianne Bocquee	
Kids Church		Jenny/Kerry/Niya		School Holidays - in recess -
Baptism				

The heart of any thriving church community lies in the dedication of its volunteers who generously offer their time and skills. Currently, our church roster is in need of additional helping hands to support various essential tasks and ministries during our worship services. By joining the roster, we can continue to strengthen our church's mission and positively impact the lives of those we serve. We warmly welcome and encourage you to become an integral part of our

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READINGS TODAY

Genesis 22.1-14

Ps 86.1-10, 16-17

Romans 6.1-11

Matthew 10.24-39

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Genesis 28.10-19

Ps 13

Romans 6.12-23

Matthew 10.40-42

SERVICES

SUNDAY

7AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

9AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

BANKING DETAILS

Tithes and Offerings:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0000 1070

Mission Partners:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0001 5767

Please consider your capacity and commitment to give to the work of this parish, by creating a recurring transfer.

ABN: 93 894 007 519

Offerings Jan—March **\$18,636.15**

Budgeted Jan—March \$20,000.00

PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Anglican Communion:

- The Church of South India (United)
- The Diocese of Rockhampton
- The Parish of Mogill-Mt Crosby
- AnglicareSQ Out of Home Care, South East Region - Gold Coast Foster & Kinship Care
- All Saints Anglican School, Merrimac

Missions:

- We pray for our mission partner Bush Ministry Fund (BMF) and their ongoing work.

Our Community:

- Pray for the homeless, the lost, the lonely and those in need.

Our Parish:

- The Leadership team and each other as we follow God in our mission.

Those in need:

- Those known to us: Katherine, Noelene, Tammy, John, Brian, Karen, Steve & Julie, Kelly Carlaw, Daphne, Leonnie, Russell & Denise, Joyce & Annette, Michael B, Gabby, Gwen, Bev, A4 Community Care, Peter, Maggie & Betty
- We pray for all who are grieving the loss of loved ones.
- We pray for all who are suffering from conflict and natural disasters.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray,
and give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is
afraid,
and giving us those good things which we are not
worthy to ask,
save through the merits and mediation of Jesus
Christ, your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

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