



FEATURED NEWS

YOU'RE INVITED!

TO OUR PARISH DINNER

Lucky Star Tavern
397 Hellowell Rd, Sunnybank Hills
May 18th, at 6:00 PM

Please see inside pew sheet for more details

CAFÉ & CARWASH

DONATION

4TH MAY
8:30AM-12PM

\$10 CARWASH





MISSION PARTNER

Anglicare
Southern Queensland

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 communicant member of any denomination, you are welcome to join us for communion.

Please join us after the service for refreshments!

FROM THE VICAR

Our reading today from 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, sheds light on the interconnectedness of spiritual gifts and their purpose in serving others. This passage emphasizes the diversity of gifts bestowed upon believers by the Holy Spirit, each serving a unique function within the body of Christ. Reflecting on this, it becomes evident that our gifts are not for our own glory or self-promotion but are intended to edify and support others.

As we think about Fruit-Full-Ness, we need to keep in mind the significance of humility and unity. Just as different fruits contribute to the richness of a basket, so do different spiritual gifts enhance the collective strength of the church. No one gift is superior to another; rather, they complement one another in a beautiful symphony of service and love.

We are entrusted with these gifts not to hoard or misuse them but to employ them diligently for the betterment of others. Whether it be the gift of wisdom, knowledge, faith, or healing, each holds the potential to bring about transformation and healing in the lives of those around us.

In Christ
Rev'd Chris

GENERAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 3 May** - Mainly Music 10am
- 4 May** - Café & Car Wash 8.30am
- 8 May** - Holy Communion & AMUA meeting 9.30am followed by guest speaker
- 16 May** - Coffee and Chat 10am
- 18 May** - Parish Dinner, Lucky Star Tavern 6pm
- 21 May** - Parish Council meeting 7pm [no April meeting]

PEWSHEET:

It has come to our attention it would be helpful to have some large print pewsheets. Therefore there will be a couple available each week in the foyer. We will print more if the demand is there.

MAINLY MUSIC:

Mainly Music is well underway for Term 2. All children 5 years and under are invited to attend sessions on Fridays at 10 am. There is always music and dance for the first half hour, then morning tea and a chance to play in the playground or the hall depending on the weather.

We could really do with some more help on Fridays – not with the music but in the kitchen, serving the morning tea, setting up and clearing away the equipment, washing up and working at the entrance desk. You would also get to know the children and their families or carers. Even if it is only occasionally it would be a great help. Please talk to Jenny or Kay or Rev'd Chris if you have Friday mornings free and would be willing to assist at our sessions.

PARISH DINNER:

To celebrate our Patronal festival "Pentecost Sunday", we are having a Parish Dinner on

Saturday 18th May, 6pm at Lucky Star Taven, 397 Hellawell Rd, Sunnybank Hills. The cost is \$35pp for a two-course meal (alternate drop), drinks are not included. Kid's meals [under 14's] are \$10 which include one small soft drink or juice. Payment can be made through the office, via EFT with reference "parish dinner and your Surname" or in a marked envelope "Parish Dinner and your name" in the offertory plate.

We do not want people to miss out on coming due to the cost. If this is a factor for you or your family, please talk to Rev'd Chris or Kerry in the office.

If you would like to join us, please put your name down on the clip board at the front of the church and fill out the details required. Or contact Kerry in the office.

CONFIRMATION:

Confirmation is a special church service in which a person confirms the promises that were made when they were baptized. As a young person or adult, you may be ready to affirm these promises for yourself and commit your life to following Jesus Christ. If you or someone you know would like Confirmation, please talk to Rev'd Chris, or contact the office. Bp John Roundhill will be at Algester Parish on 3 November.

PHOTOS:

Don't forget to send in your pics to Rev'd Chris when out & about for the monthly newsletter!



For Others

WEEK 4

SUNDAY MORNING *SERMON NOTES:*
Fruit-Full-Ness - For Others -

Gifts of The Spirit - To Confess

Gifts of The Spirit - Not to Divide

Gifts of The Spirit - For the Common Good of Others

READINGS

SENTENCE:

In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

1 John 4.10–11

A READING FROM ACTS, CHAPTER 8, VERSES 26-40:

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?'

Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS: *PSALM 22.26-32*

26 From you springs my praise in the great congregation:

I will pay my vows in the sight of all that fear you;

27 The meek shall eat of the sacrifice and be satisfied:

and those who seek the Lord shall praise him—

may their hearts rejoice for ever!

28 Let all the ends of the earth

**remember and turn to the Lord:
and let all the families of the nations
worship before him.**

**29 For the kingdom is the Lord's:
and he shall be ruler over the nations.**

**30 How can those who sleep in the earth
do him homage:**

**or those that descend to the dust bow
down before him?**

**31 But he has saved my life for himself:
and my posterity shall serve him.**

**32 This shall be told of my Lord to a
future generation:**

**and his righteousness declared to a
people yet unborn,
that he has done it.**

**A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF
PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS, CHAPTER 12,
VERSE 1-11:**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same

Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO JOHN, CHAPTER 15,
VERSES 1-8:**

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of Love, let us gather in Your name to spend time in Your presence. May we abide with You in Your love, that we may share and live Your love with one another. The road we have travelled to get here today is different for each one of us, but we meet in this place to praise You. Let us be open to Your transforming love, that we may become Your disciples and follow You on Your way.

Lord hear us, **Lord hear our prayer.**

God of love, let love be shown to all Your creation, to people and places we know and love, and those that we do not.

Encourage us to show Your love even in spaces we find difficult. May our family, friends and colleagues experience the goodness of Your works, let them know love can be found within this congregation, let them know love can be found within Your church, through Your almighty Son.

Lord hear us, **Lord hear our prayer.**

God of peace, go where there is little or none, be the glimmer of hope so desperately needed. Let those in times and places of war know we still pray for them. When peace is too far away, we pray for moments of joy, fleeting or

lasting, give strength to all in times of darkness, support them as they fight to keep their light shining.

Lord hear us, **Lord hear our prayer.**

God of compassion, we pray for all those living on the margins of society: those without homes, people experiencing bereavement, people who are estranged from their families and communities and for everyone who feels as though they cannot cope. Bring comfort and rest where there is none and guide them towards communities of support and encouragement.

Lord hear us, **Lord hear our prayer.**

God remind us today as we start our week, of the love and acceptance, shown to us by Your son, Jesus. Help us to be more Christlike in our actions and inactions, supporting others, accepting the differences that we like and don't, and loving to the best of our ability, just as Jesus did.

Heavenly Father, accept our prayers as we sing the words Jesus Christ our Saviour taught us:

Our Father in heaven

ROSTERS

Date	28-4-24		5-5-24	
Roster	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	Sue Reade	Allan Berry	Julie Elliker	Dianne Bocquee
LA Assistant				
Greeter	-	Joan Harvey	-	Rhonda Nelson
Sidesperson	Kay Morris	Dianne Bocquee	Robyn Brodie	Joan Harvey
Reader 1	Norm Booth	Jenny Bullock	Ross Dinnar	Sandra Pearn
Reader 2	Robert Kake	Carol Booth	James Dinnar	Joan Harvey
Offertory	Kay Morris	Dianne Bocquee	Robyn Brodie	Joan Harvey.
Chapel Prayers	-	Carol Booth	-	Rhonda Nelson
Morning Tea	Kay O'Brien	Malini/Cecelia	Kay O'Brien	Joan plus helper pse
Music Leader	Michael Po Saw	Ruth Barton	Ross Dinnar	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	Adrian Scott	Rhonda/Ian	Adrian Scott	Rhonda/Ian
Prayers of the people	Rhonda Nelson		Ross Dinnar	
Counting	Kerry Tovey		Ian Nelson	
Kids Church		Kerry/Helen		Jenny/Kathy

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 dedicated volunteer team. Your contribution will make a significant difference to maintaining the vibrant spirit of our congregation.

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READINGS TODAY

Acts 8.26-40

Psalms 22.26-32

1 Corinthians 12.1-11

John 15.1-8

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Acts 10.44-48

Psalms 98

1 Corinthians 12.12-31

John 15.9-17

SERVICES

SUNDAY

7AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

9AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

BANKING DETAILS

Tithes and Offerings:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0000 1070

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

ABN: 93 894 007 519

Giving for March **\$ 7,071**

Budgeted Amount \$ 7,500.00

PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Anglican Communion:

- The Church of Bangladesh
- The Parish of Roma
- Anglicare SQ Remote and Rural Community Services

Missions:

- We pray for our mission partner Anglicare 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, Susan, Tammy, John, Murray, Sharlene, Peter, Cameron, Sally, Russ, Jenny & Bough, Peter, Robert, Jenny, Mary, Daphne, Joyce, Pam, Sean, Allan & Varrie, Betty, Brian, Karen & Robert, Steve & Julie, John, Connor
- 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

Saving God,

who called your Church to witness

that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:

help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be reconciled to you; through him who died for us and rose again and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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