



HOLY SPIRIT
ALGESTER

Holy Spirit News
WELCOME | Feb 15th 2026

FEATURED NEWS



**SHROVE
TUESDAY**

6:30pm, 17th Feb

*Bring your palm crosses from last year,
BYO pancakes, your favourite topping
(savoury or sweet) to share.*



**SERVICES
AT
9:30AM
& 7PM
18TH FEB**

MISSION PARTNER



SU Chaplaincy

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 THE VICAR

Just days after Peter boldly declared Jesus to be the Messiah, he was confronted with a hard truth: this Messiah would suffer and die. Confusion and disappointment must have filled the disciples' hearts. It is into that moment that the Transfiguration comes.

On the mountain, Peter, James, and John glimpse Jesus in radiant glory. His face shines like the sun. Moses and Elijah stand with him. The Law and the Prophets bear witness that Jesus is the fulfilment of God's saving plan. Then the Father's voice declares, "This is my Son, the Beloved... listen to him."

Listen to him, even when he speaks of suffering. Listen to him, even when the road leads to the cross.

The glory of the mountain does not remove the reality of the valley. Jesus does not stay in dazzling light; he comes down to walk with his people. The Transfiguration reminds us that the suffering Christ is also the glorious Son.

As we prepare for Lent, we hold these together. We follow Jesus not only in moments of joy, but also in repentance, sacrifice, and faithful obedience. And when we are afraid, we hear his gentle words: "Get up. Do not be afraid."

In Christ,
Rev'd Chris

GENERAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

17 February - Shrove Tuesday Dinner 6.30pm

18 February - Ash Wednesday Services
9.30am and 7pm

19 February - Church Service 10am

20 February - Mainly Music 10am

21 February - Ladies Breakfast 8.30am

22 February - **ONE Service only at 8am**
followed by AGM

23 February - Men's Dinner 6.30 for 7pm

6 March - World Day of Prayer, Salvation
Army Church, Kameruka St, Calamvale, 10am

AGM & NOMINATION FORMS:

We will be holding our AGM on Sunday 22 February, following morning tea. We will have one service only at 8am on this day.

Nomination forms are available now in the foyer and need to be returned to Rev'd Chris today.

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

LADIES BREAKFAST:

Our first Ladies Breakfast for 2026 is booked for Saturday 21 February, 8.30am at Degani in Calamvale. A clipboard is available in the foyer for names. This is a great way to begin your day with yum food and great company!

MEN'S DINNER:

A Men's Dinner is planned for Monday 23rd February at the Greenbank RSL, 6.30 for 7pm. A clipboard is available in the church foyer for names. Contact Hugh 0412 091 479.

MAINLY MUSIC:

Mainly Music is up and running for 2026 and meets in the Hall in term times on Fridays at 10am. If you know any mums with children aged up to 5 years, please recommend this very worthwhile activity. Also pray for the families and helpers as they work to uphold the MM mission –together creating joy-filled communities of belonging where Jesus can be revealed.

If you have any questions please contact Jenny Bullock on 0439 847 979.

A4 PHOTOCOPY PAPER:

A huge thank you to those who have brought in paper for the office, much appreciated!

YOUR HELP NEEDED:

We are really struggling with having enough volunteers to help with Greeting and Reading at both 7am and 9am services.

If you have never thought about offering your services, now might be a great time!

This is not a difficult task but would make things so much easier and lighten the load on those who are helping out now.

Rev'd Chris or Kerry would love to fill you in!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:

This year's World Day of Prayer Service is on Friday 6th March 2026 at the Salvation Army Church in Kameruka Street, Calamvale starting at 10am. The featured country is Nigeria. Everyone is welcome to attend this service.

SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY MORNING *SERMON NOTES:*

READINGS

SENTENCE:

Suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him!' Matthew 17.5

A READING FROM EXODUS, CHAPTER 24, VERSES 12-18:

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS:

Psalm 2

- 1 Why are the nations in tumult:
and why do the peoples cherish a vain
dream?
- 2 **The kings of the earth rise up
and the rulers conspire together:
against the Lord and against his
anointed, saying,**
- 3 'Let us break their bonds asunder:
let us throw off their chains from us.'
- 4 **He that dwells in heaven shall laugh
them to scorn:
the Lord will hold them in derision.**
- 5 Then will he speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury:
'I, the Lord, have set up my king on Zion
my holy hill.'
- 6 **I will announce the Lord's decree,
that which he has spoken:
'You are my son, this day have I
begotten you.**
- 7 'Ask of me,
and I will give you the nations for your
inheritance:
the uttermost parts of the earth for
your possession.
- 8 **'You may break them with a rod of
iron:
and shatter them in pieces like a
potter's vessel.'**
- 9 Now therefore be wise, O kings:
be advised, you that are judges of the
earth.
- 10 **Serve the Lord with awe,
and govern yourselves in fear and
trembling:
Lest he be angry, and you perish in
your course.**

11 For his wrath is quickly kindled:
blessed are those that turn to him for
refuge.

**A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER OF
PETER , CHAPTER 1, VERSES 16-21:**

For we did not follow cleverly devised
myths when we made known to you the
power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ,
but we had been eyewitnesses of his
majesty. For he received honour and glory
from God the Father when that voice was
conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory,
saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with
whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves
heard this voice come from heaven, while
we were with him on the holy mountain.
So we have the prophetic message more
fully confirmed. You will do well to be
attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a
dark place, until the day dawns and the
morning star rises in your hearts. First of all
you must understand this, that no prophecy
of scripture is a matter of one's own
interpretation, because no prophecy ever
came by human will, but men and women
moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW, CHAPTER 17,
VERSES 1-9:**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter
and James and his brother John and led
them up a high mountain, by themselves.
And he was transfigured before them, and
his face shone like the sun, and his clothes
became dazzling white. Suddenly there

appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking
with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it
is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will
make three dwellings here, one for you,
one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While
he was still speaking, suddenly a bright
cloud overshadowed them, and from the
cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the
Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen
to him!' When the disciples heard this,
they fell to the ground and were overcome
by fear. But Jesus came and touched them,
saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.'
And when they looked up, they saw no one
except Jesus himself alone. As they were
coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered
them, 'Tell no one about the vision until
after the Son of Man has been raised from
the dead.'

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of all glory, it is good that we are here in your presence.

On Mount Sinai your glory overshadowed Moses and you gave to him your holy law: may your world today receive your wisdom and word, that nations may dwell in peace and be governed for the good of all.

God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

On the mountain of transfiguration you revealed Christ's glory and majesty: may your church today reveal your glory to others, that your gospel may be proclaimed in all the world.

God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

On the mountain-top Peter, James and John trembled in the presence of your glory: may the communities in which we live glimpse the splendour of your glory, that we may live in relationships which reflect your transfiguring love.

God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

Your beloved Son was clothed in glory, but he suffered rejection, pain and death: may your beloved sons and daughters who suffer today be clothed in your transforming grace, that they may receive consolation in their sorrow and healing in their pain.

God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of all glory, we give you thanks for your prophets and holy people of every age, for Moses and Elijah, for Peter, James and John, and for all who have beheld your glory.

May we, like them, be changed from glory into glory, that transformed into your likeness we may dwell for ever in your holy presence.

God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

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 taken from Let Us Pray by Janet Nelson

ROSTERS

Date	15-2-26		22-2-26
	7.00am	9.00am	8.00am
Worship Leader	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
LA Leader	Robert Kake	Allan Berry	Lorraine Jones
Greeter	-	Kerry Tovey	Rhonda Nelson
Sidesperson	Robyn Brodie	Dianne Bocquee	Joan Harvey
Reader 1	Joan Harvey	Sandra Pearn	Norm Booth
Reader 2	Rosemary Kake	Kathy Carter	Rosemary Kake
Offertory	Robyn Brodie	Dianne Bocquee	Joan Harvey
Chapel Prayers	-	Dianne Bocquee	Carol Booth
Morning Tea	Kay O'Brien	Jenny/Ruth	Malini/Cecelia/Jeanette
Music Leader	Michael Po Saw	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	Kay O'Brien	Malini/Chris	Rhonda/Ian
Prayers of the people	<i>Prayers taken from 'Let Us Pray'</i>		Sandra Pearn
Counting	Dianne Bocquee		Rosemary Kake
Kids Church		Jenny/Kerry	-
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 dedicated volunteer team. Your contribution will make a significant difference to maintaining the vibrant spirit of our congregation.

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READINGS TODAY

Exodus 24.12-18

Psalm 2

2 Peter 1.16-21

Matthew 17.1-9

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5.12-21

Matthew 4.18-22

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 2025 **\$77,149.00**

Budgeted 2025 \$90,000.00

PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Anglican Communion:

- The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
- The Diocese of Melbourne
- The Parish of New Farm
- Riverwalk Robina ELC
- St Paul's School, Bald Hills

Missions:

- We pray for our mission partner Scripture Union School Chaplaincy and their ongoing work and especially for our local chaplain Nina, at Algester

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, Betty, Leonnie, Russell & Denise, Joyce & Annette, Michael B, Gabby, Gwen, Bev
- 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 God,
you have given your only Son
to be for us both a sacrifice for sin,
and also an example of godly life:
give us grace that we may always thankfully receive
the benefits of his sacrifice,
and also daily endeavour to follow
the blessed steps of his most holy life;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

For more information: (07) 3132 7888 or visit www.holyspiritalgester.com