



**FEATURED NEWS**



**Welcome**  
**Rev'd Mike Uptin**  
**Bush Church Aid**



**MISSION PARTNER**

Mission partner

**BCA**  
**Bush Church Aid**



**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**

As we continue our Hope 25 series, this week we turn to the theme Hope for the Poor. In a world where poverty, whether material, emotional, or spiritual is often met with despair, God offers something radically different: a living hope. In 1 Peter 1:3–9, Peter reminds us that through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have been given “new birth into a living hope.” This hope is not based on wealth, status, or earthly security. It is rooted in the unchanging mercy of God and the eternal inheritance he promises, an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade. For the poor, this promise speaks powerfully. When the world says you have nothing, God says you have everything in Christ. Even though trials and hardships come, and Peter acknowledges they will, our hope is not diminished. In fact, our faith is refined and made stronger, more precious than gold. God’s hope meets us not at the point of our strength, but in our need. As we reflect this week, may we be reminded: true hope is not found in what we hold in our hands, but in what God holds for us in heaven.

In Christ  
Rev'd Chris

# GENERAL NEWS

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**9 May** - Mainly Music 10am

**14 May** - Holy Communion Service & MU  
Branch Meeting

**15 May** - Coffee and Chat 10am

**17 May** - Prayer Morning 9am-12noon

**18 May** - Baptism at 9.00am Service

**20 May** - Parish Council 7pm

## FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS:

The funeral service for Keitha D'Arcy will be held at Church of the Holy Spirit, Algester, on **Friday 9 May at 1pm.**

Our Mothers' Union ladies are organising afternoon tea in the hall at the conclusion of the service. Parishioners are also invited to contribute to this in the form of slices and sandwiches. Please contact the office if you would like to help out [3132 7888].

## MAINLY MUSIC:

Term 2 has begun for Mainly Music, every Friday at 10am in the church hall. 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.

## NAME BADGES:

There is a clipboard in the foyer to add names for those wanting a new name badge. Please write name as you want to appear on badge.

## BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:

This month we remember the anniversaries of Reese Acosta and Kida Kanniah.

## COFFEE AND CHAT:

Our next get-together is on Thursday 15 May at 10am in the hall. Coffee & Chat has been organised for aged-care residents and local residents who don't always have the opportunity to go out and socialise. If you know someone who could benefit from a time of fellowship, entertainment and great food, please speak with Rhonda 0412 720 016.

## OPEN PRAYER MORNING: 17 May

The church will be open from 9am to midday on the third Saturday morning each month. If there is a time when you need to spend time in quiet prayer or would like someone to pray with you, please take advantage of the open church.

## Help Wanted



**Where:** Runcorn High School

**Why:** teaching students how to knit and crochet

**When:** Fridays 11:15 to 12pm  
Must have a current Blue Card

Please call Tina McAndrew on  
0407249384



Week 2  
**Hope for the Poor**

**SUNDAY MORNING** *SERMON NOTES:*

# READINGS

## SENTENCE:

To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever. *Revelation 5.13*

## A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, CHAPTER 9, VERSES 1-20:

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the

Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of God.'

Hear the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

## A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS:

*PSALM 30*

1 I will exalt you, O Lord,  
for you have drawn me up from the depths:  
and have not suffered my foes to triumph over me.  
2 **O Lord my God, I cried to you:  
and you have made me whole.**  
3 You brought me back, O Lord, from the land of  
silence:  
you saved my life  
from among those that go down to the Pit.  
4 **Sing praises to the Lord, all you his faithful  
ones:  
and give thanks to his holy name.**  
5 For if in his anger is havoc,  
in his good favour is life:  
heaviness may endure for a night,  
but joy comes in the morning.  
6 **In my prosperity I said 'I shall never be moved:  
your goodness, O Lord, has set me on so firm a hill.'**  
7 Then you hid your face from me:  
and I was greatly dismayed.  
8 **I cried to you, O God:  
and made my petition humbly to my Lord.**  
9 'What profit is there in my blood,  
if I go down to the Pit:  
can the dust give you thanks,  
or declare your faithfulness?  
10 **'Hear, O Lord, and be merciful:  
O Lord, be my helper.'**  
11 You have turned my lamentation into dancing:  
you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with  
joy,  
12 **That my heart may sing your praise and never  
be silent:  
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.**

**A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER,  
CHAPTER 1, VERSES 3-9:**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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**Thanks be to God**

**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
ACCORDING TO JOHN, CHAPTER 21, VERSES 1-19:**

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

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

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## **Bush Church Aid Society Prayer**

Lord our God, Help us to remember those who live in isolated and remote parts of our land. We ask you to strengthen and encourage all whose ministries are supported by The Bush Church Aid Society. Refresh them in times of discouragement and loneliness and call others to stand with them in the task of making Christ known.

Grant that, through the ministry of Word and Sacraments, through caring service and by support of young people, the message of your redeeming love may be proclaimed and accepted by the people of our land.

Father, hear our prayer,

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

## **A prayer for mission**

Caring God, we pray for all who have gone out in your name to reach Australia for Christ. Open doors for them so that they might have opportunity to speak about you.

Empowering God, provide your witnesses with boldness as they communicate your love. Faithful God, answer your servants' prayers for strength and stamina. Help them to see fruit for their labour.

Refreshing God, provide opportunities for those in isolated areas to spend time with other believers. Give them times of peace, relaxation and restoration.

Protecting God, look over all who have gone out in your name.

Father, hear our prayer,

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

In our cycle of prayer we pray for:

- The Church of Ireland
- The Diocese of Ballarat
- The Parish of Kilcoy
- Toowoomba hospital chaplaincy
- Canterbury College, Waterford

- Bush Church Aid (BCA)

In our church community we pray for:

Rev'd Chris and family, Liturgical Assistants and all who help with ministry here at Algester. We give thanks that our Parish is so blessed to have you. We pray for the Wardens and Parish Council and give thanks for all those who have been called to your service Lord and pray that the Parish Council will continue your work here in Algester.

Father, hear our prayer,

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

Gracious God, we remember this morning those who are sick, sad or lonely and those who are brave and patient when things are going wrong. We pray that they may be aware of your comforting presence and know that in your hands they are safe and loved.

Father, hear our prayer,

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

Creator God, through the glorious resurrection of your son Jesus Christ you have freed us from the grip of the tomb. We pray for those who have departed this life, especially Keitha D'Arcy, and ask You, through your loving kindness, to have mercy on their souls. We pray too for those bereaved by their passing.

Lord, at the start of this new week help us to be an example to others. Show us, as you did with your fishermen friends, the practical steps we need to take so that we can change the ways in which we do things and so develop consistency and integrity in all that we do in our lives.

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.**

# ROSTERS

Date	4-5-25		11-5-25	
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 Mike Uptin	Rev'd Mike Uptin	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate
LA Leader	Julie Elliker	Dianne Bocquee	Allan Berry	Ian Nelson
Greeter	-	Kerry Tovey	-	Rhonda Nelson
Sidesperson	Robyn Brodie	Allan Berry	Kay Morris	Lorraine Jones
Reader 1	Ross Dinnar	Rhonda Nelson	Norm Booth	Carol Booth
Reader 2	James Dinnar	Sandra Pearn	Julie Elliker	Kathy Carter
Offertory	Robyn Brodie	Allan Berry	Kay Morris	Lorraine Jones
Chapel Prayers	-	Rhonda Nelson	-	Carol Booth
Morning Tea	Kay Morris	Kerry	Kay O' Brien	Rachel/Kathy
Music Leader	Ross Dinnar	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	James Dinnar	Rhonda/Ian	Norm/Adrian	Malini/Chris
Prayers of the people	Ross Dinnar		Sandra Pearn	
Counting	Ian Nelson		Rhonda Nelson	
Kids Church		Jenny/Kerry		Kerry/Jenny

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.

## CONTACT INFO

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## READINGS TODAY

Acts 9.1-20

Psalm 30

1 Peter 1.3-9

John 21.1-19

## READINGS NEXT WEEK

Acts 9.36-43

Psalm 139.1-16

Revelation 7.9-17

John 10.22-30

## 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 Jan to March **\$18,416.20**

Budgeted Jan to Dec \$22,500.00

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Anglican Communion:

- The Church of Ireland
- The Diocese of Ballarat
- The Parish of Kilcoy
- Toowoomba Hospital Chaplaincy
- Canterbury College, Waterford

Missions:

- We pray for our mission partner BCA [Bush Church Aid] 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, Daphne, Joyce, Pam, Sean, Betty, Brian, Karen, Steve & Julie, Gwen
- 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

Gracious Father,

who in your great mercy made glad the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord:

give us such awareness of his presence with us that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life,

and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**For more information: (07) 3132 7888 or visit [www.holyspiritalgester.com](http://www.holyspiritalgester.com)**