

Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday 13th March 2022



Sharing the Good Life

We acknowledge the Bundjalung people, traditional custodians of the Land. Our doors are open: LGBTQIA+ welcome here. Streaming licence: CCLI 102220 Alstonville Anglicans are committed to ensuring that all people who participate in our worship, programs and ministries have a safe and rewarding experience.

Liturgy for 13th March

Sentence of the Day

Our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 3.20

Collect

God of our ancestors, whose chosen servant Abraham was given faith to obey your call and go out into the unknown: endow your Church with such faith that we may follow you with courage; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Readings Luke 13:31-35

³¹ At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³² He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³ Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' ³⁴ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵ See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' "

Messages

Worship & Spirituality

Life Groups Lent 2022

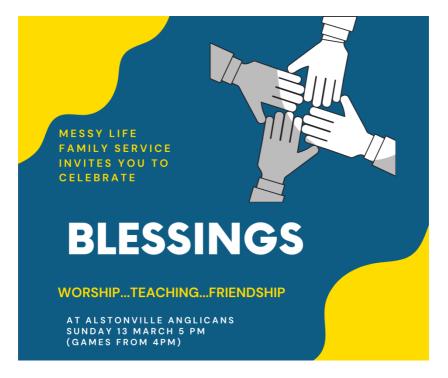


Can you believe, there are some 50 people joining in our Lenten Life Groups to explore further what the Last Week of Jesus' life was all about and what it means for us today. If you would like to join a group, it's

not too late. Please contact me as ap and I will find a group for you. Greg M 0412660742

Messy Life Church

Sunday 13th March 5pm (Games from 4pm)







Sunday 27th March 4pm

Community Engagement

SRE teachers are urgently needed in our local schools

The steps to becoming an authorised SRE teacher are:

1. Complete application form and return to Maree at the Bishop's Registry.

2. Complete SRE essential training.

SRE Essential Training

Training will be delivered over Zoom on 26 and 27 March. Registrations close 16 March.

Further details about SRE please contact Mark Stuckey on 0428 404 783.

LinC Luncheon



Wednesday 23rd March at 12 noon in the SDA room. RSVP 16th March to Viv Carson 0422 201 191 <u>lincalstonville@gmail.com</u>

Flood Bound



Shopping in Main Arm during the floods.

Alstonville Religious Education Association



presents the

2022 AREA BREAKFAST

Saturday 26th March

Alstonville Anglican Church

7:30am – 9:30am



Delicious continental and cooked breakfast with tea, coffee and fruit juice Hear Bruce Fleming speak about the work he does at Alstonville High School \$15 per person All funds raised go to AREA to support Bruce's work Please RSVP to John Noble: 0414 285 132

Anglicare North Coast 2022 Northern NSW Flood Appeal

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Anglicare North Coast has opened a FLOOD APPEAL for tax deductible donations.

We will use our **emergency relief** processes to provide direct and efficient support to affected households.



Donate Now- Please reference your deposit 'Lismore 2022'

Use the QR code or navigate to www.anglicarenorthcoast.org.au and click on 'donate here'

Or use the following details to deposit from your bank account.

Bank account: Anglicare North Coast BSB: 705077 A/C: 00041320

Mother's Day Fete Planning Meeting



Wednesday 16^{th} March 4.30pm in the Ministry Centre

Community-On-the-Verge



Help yourself to what is ripe and ready for picking. If you are keen to be involved as the garden evolves, please contact Alan Larsen on 0409 655 123 or Barbara Fewtrell 0429 385 713.

Good Governance

Faithfulness in Service Training Saturday 19th March 9am-12.30pm

YOU MUST READ THIS!

Faithfulness in Service is a code of conduct for church workers that has been adopted across the Anglican Church of Australia. It covers the topics of Pastoral Relationships, Children, Personal Behaviour, Sexual Conduct and Financial Integrity.

Bishop-in-Council has determined that those who need specific training in Faithfulness in Service are the following categories of church worker regardless of whether the person is paid or not paid for their involvement:

 Holders of a license issued by the Bishop (this includes clergy and LLMs)

- All members of Parish Council;
- All leaders and designated helpers in Family, SRE, Youth or Children's Ministry or similar;
- All leaders or coordinators of parish ministries;
- Church office workers and volunteers where public contact is involved;
- All leaders and designated helpers with street ministry, hospital visiting, aged home visiting, soup kitchens, Op Shops, and other people contact ministries.

Please contact John Noble for further information.

DID YOU READ IT???

COVID Update

- Masks not required but encouraged especially when singing.
- Social distancing is still advised as is adequate ventilation.
- Hand sanitiser will remain available but is not compulsory.
- Morning tea will continue to be served outside at the present time.
- The Covid Committee appreciates everybody's understanding, tolerance, and compliance.

Sign Up for Planned Giving

Forms for signing up for Planned Giving are now available from the website and in the church foyer and parish office.

'Comfort My People'



For at the least the last 6 months, a Bible Verse that has become a mantra for me is "Comfort my People". The mantra summarises my intention to show up in the world with kindness, patience, presence, and comfort.

We are only beginning to understand the long-term effects of COVID and lock down. We have hardly recovered from the the bushfires. witnessing Now are intensity of we and trauma related to unimaginable experiencing floodina. Intercalating the flood updates are images of misery and stress from the Ukraine as they stand up to Russia. I feel such compassion for our people in this region and beyond. I worry about how much more people can take. Comfort my people says the Lord.

In our meditation on Wednesday, we drew together as one collective self and poured out an energy of comfort, compassion, and peace. Whatever it is you are facing, please know that compassion, comfort, peace, and hope are so much stronger than despair, hopelessness, and suffering. Amidst immense distress the nobility of the human spirit shines so brightly. Within each of us is an Infinite source of peace and care that far out floods any disaster. I see this Divine Spirit at work in each of you and the members of our community. It is this presence of Love, Concern, or God that is in the eyes and hearts of all whom I meet that is the source of my hope.

I am grateful:

- for the outpouring of support to those in distress,
- for those using their skills set to rebuild lives,
- for every thought, feeling and act of love and compassion, for this energy overcomes any fear and destruction.

Thank you for your presence to others, and thank you also for nourishing yourselves with self-care, self-love and self compassion. Desiree

Regular Reminders

Worship & Spirituality

Church Open

The Church will be reopening for meditation during office hours, commencing Monday 28th February.

Mothers Union: third Monday of each month. Contact Pam on 0417 258 991 or Joyce 0407 690 874 joyce@stephanies.com.au

Anam Cara



Anam Cara Praying for you Monday mornings 10am Anam Cara Wednesdays 9am & Thursdays 6pm

Empowering Leadership

Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 16th March 6pm

Community Engagement

Play Place



Play Place 9.30-11.30am Thursdays during school terms.

Sew Helpful



Sew Helpful 1st & 3rd Mondays 1pm

Pastoral Care

If you or anyone you know is ill or in hospital, please let the office or Lynne Watt our Pastoral Care Coordinator know. Also, if you do visit anyone could you email Lynne? wattlg@bigpond.com.

Family Cross



The Family Cross is being given to Diana Westall this week

Prayers

Please remember Diana in your prayers this week.

Alstonville Anglicans

Ministers all the baptised!

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Dates 13th March to 20th March

13 th March	Sunday 9am Holy Communion Sunday 5pm Messy Life Church (Games from 4pm)
14 th March	Parish Office 9am – 12pm Op Shop 9am – 3pm 10am Anam Cara praying for Community
15 th March	Tuesday Parish Office Closed (Please refrain from accessing the office at this time)
16 th March	Parish Office 9am – 12pm Anam Cara 9am Op Shop 9am – 3pm Fete Planning Meeting 4.30pm Parish Council Meeting 6pm
17 th Mar	Parish Office 9am – 12pm Op Shop 9am – 3pm Play Place 9.30am Anam Cara 6pm
18 th Mar	Parish Office 9am – 12pm Friday 10am Holy Communion
20 th Mar	Sunday 9am Holy Communion