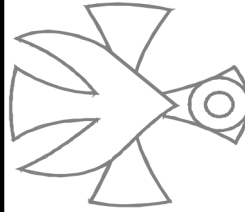


Date	5-3-23 Second Sunday in Lent		12-3-23 Third Sunday in Lent	
Colour	Violet		Violet	
Theme	Slow down and lift up your eyes		Slow down and sing out	
Readings	Genesis 12.1-4a Ps 121 Romans 4.1-5, 13-17 John 3.1-17		Exodus 17.1-7 Ps 95 Romans 5.1-11 John 4.5-42	
Roster	7.00am	9.00am	7.00am	9.00am
Worship	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate
Preacher	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate
LA Leader	Julie Elliker	Allan Berry	Rosemary Kake	Ian Nelson
Greeter		Kerry Tovey		Joan Harvey
Sidesperson	Robyn Brodie	Joan Harvey	Kay Morris	Kathy Carter
Reader 1	Ross Dinnar	Sandra Pearn	Norm Booth	Rhonda Nelson
Reader 2	James Dinnar	Joan Harvey	Sue Reade	Dianne Bocquee
Offertory	Robyn Brodie	Joan Harvey	Kay Morris	Kathy Carter
Chapel Prayers		Rhonda Nelson	Margurita Smethurst	Dianne Bocquee
Morning Tea	Kay Morris	Joan/Kerry	Kay O'Brien	Volunteers?
Music Leader	Ross Dinnar	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	Adrian Scott	Ian/Rhonda	Robert Gilland	Chris/Malini
Prayers of the people for the day	Ross Dinnar		Carol Booth	
Counting	Alan Edgecomb		Malini Ramachandrom	
S.School Yahweh Youth		Kerry		Kerry/Jenny
Retirement Village Ministry Team		-		-
Baptism				

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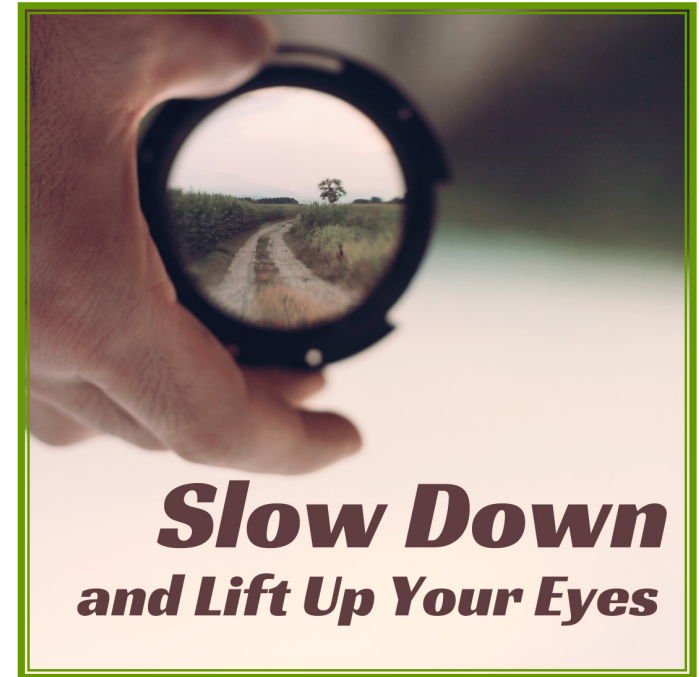
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Our Parish's Mission

We share meaning, purpose and direction for today and hope for tomorrow through Jesus Christ.



Sunday, 5 March, 2023  
Second Sunday in Lent



Special Communion Bread is available for people who have gluten intolerance - see Rev'd Chris.

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**Service Times**  
**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**  
 362 Algester Road, Algester

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
*Sundays* 7.00am & 9.00am

**Baptisms, Weddings and Pastoral Services**  
 by arrangement

**SUNDAY SCHOOL & YAHWEH YOUTH**  
*Sundays* during 9.00am worship

**Pastoral Care & Home Communions**  
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**Men's Group** Hugh Everton 0412 091 479  
**MU Australia** Jenny Bullock 0439 847 979  
**Prayer Ministry** Parish Office 3132 7888  
**Kid's Church** Parish Office 3132 7888

**Prayers of the People:**

Holy God, as we continue our Lenten journey make us mindful of our potential for good and for growth, as we strive for perfection in your sight despite our human failing and imperfections.

Father, hear our prayer, **through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Gracious God, we recognise that the work of helping people through life can leave church leaders vulnerable to spiritual attack. We thank you for our church leaders and pray that they won't allow criticism or negativity to blunt their ministry; that they will hear encouragement, and that they will always respond in love and forgiveness when difficulties arise.

Father, hear our prayer, **through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Creator God, we pray for all in authority that they may never be tempted to abuse or misuse their power. Help and guide them to show wisdom and resolve in the search for reconciliation and peace and so bring peace and prosperity to every corner of the world. We particularly pray for the conflict between Russia and Ukraine as it enters its second year – Lord, please bring peace.

In our cycle of prayer we pray for:

- The Church of the Province of South East Asia
- The Diocese of Ballarat
- The Parish of New Farm
- Sunshine Coast hospital ministry
- Coomera Anglican College

In our church community we pray for:

Rev'd Chris, 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.**

Loving God, our hearts ache when we hear about the pain and suffering that some of our loved ones have to endure especially when illness has come about through the temptations of the world. Come close and bring comfort and healing to all those who we now name before you.....

Father, hear our prayer, **through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Merciful God, you know when our hearts are broken by bereavement. You know the pain of loss because you suffered through the death of your only son. In the midst of ongoing sorrow, help us to rejoice in the comfort of the hope, encouragement, and comfort that your promise of eternal life brings to all who believe in Jesus.

Everlasting God, may we show and share our love and trust for you wholeheartedly, today, as we go back out into the world and through every day of our Lenten journey.

**Merciful father: accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ who taught us to pray: Our Father in heaven.....**

*Prayers compiled by Ross Dinnar*

**Coffee & Chat**  
**THURSDAY 16 MARCH**

*10.00am in the Hall*

This wonderful ministry is finally able to return after Covid times! Coffee & Chat is being 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]

**Facebook**

To keep you up to date on the latest news, visit our Facebook page - **Holy Spirit Anglican Church**

**Holy Communion Service**

Wednesday, 8 March

Commencing at 9.30am, this service offers the opportunity for parishioners, male & female, to participate in a mid-week communion service.

An AMUA [Anglican Mothers Union of Australia] branch meeting with Rev'd Christopher Bate as Guest Speaker will follow the service.

*- All are warmly invited to attend -*

**AMUA Mothering Sunday**

**19 March 2023.**

There will be a Retiring Collection at the end of the 7am and 9am Services on the 19th.

This will go towards supporting Pacific Islander Nations as they deal with disaster and climate change management in the Pacific.

*- Thank you for your support -*

**Baptism Anniversaries this month:**

13th	Indi Ann Fraser	18th	Mackenzie Hailey-Ray Petrie	27th	Emmekah Joy-Ann Moulds
17th	Adan Charles Roberts	18th	Charlotte Gina Stokman	31st	Finn Douglas Warhurst

**As we pray for those in need ...**

Denver; Katherine; Susan, Tammy, John, Murray, Sharlene; Kim; Ray; Mike, Karen; Tony, Janine; Sally; Jenny & Bough, John, Patrice, Jim, Norman, Hazel, Dallas, Bernard; Mary; Zillah; Daphne; Adrian and Dawn; Joyce; Julian;; Lorraine; Alice Hudson

**W.I.S.H - WHAT'S IN STORE HERE**

**Sunday, March 5, 2023**

**Today**

7.00am Holy Communion  
 9.00am Holy Communion  
 Kid's Church

**Forthcoming Events**

Wednesday, 8 March

9.30am Holy Communion Service followed by AMUA Branch Meeting with Guest Speaker: see pg.6

Friday, 10 March

10.00am Mainly Music

Thursday, 16 March

10.00am Coffee and Chat: see pg.6

Sunday, 19 March

7am & 9am AMUA Retiring Collection: see pg.6



**MISSION - MARCH**  
**BCA [Bush Church Aid]**

## PRAYER AND READINGS

**THEME: SLOW DOWN AND LIFT UP YOUR EYES**

**SENTENCE:**

Return to the Lord your God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

*Joel 2.13*

**OUR PARISH PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father,  
help us to grow in love, faith and obedience  
as we discover meaning and direction for  
today  
and hope for tomorrow  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

Remember, O Lord,  
what you have wrought in us  
and not what we deserve,  
and, as you have called us to your service,  
make us worthy of our calling;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**A READING FROM GENESIS, CHAPTER 12,  
VERSES 1-4A:**

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

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

**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS:  
PSALM 121**

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills:  
**but where shall I find help?**
- 2 My help comes from the Lord:  
**who has made heaven and earth.**
- 3 He will not suffer your foot to stumble:  
**and he who watches over you will not sleep.**
- 4 Be sure he who has charge of Israel:  
**will neither slumber nor sleep.**
- 5 The Lord himself is your keeper:  
**the Lord is your defence upon your right hand;**
- 6 The sun shall not strike you by day:  
**nor shall the moon by night.**
- 7 The Lord will defend you from all evil:  
**it is he who will guard your life.**
- 8 The Lord will defend your going out and your coming in:  
**from this time forward for evermore.**

**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE  
ROMANS, CHAPTER 4, VERSES 1-5 AND 13-17:**

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants

## MARCH 5, 2023 - SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
ACCORDING TO JOHN, CHAPTER 3, VERSES 1-17:**

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the

Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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