

Hope for When Life Hurts

— Jesus —

as Christ's Followers we Prayerfully Seek to Grow In Christ and to Share God's Love through Faith In Action.

From the Clergy 16/03/2025

Choosing Leaders at the AGM

with Rev Dr Sam Gough

One of the important tasks before all of us at the AGM this Sunday will be electing leaders for the next season of our church's life.

Leaders can have a huge impact on any group, for better or for worse.

So, what sort of qualities should we be looking for in a church leader? What sort of qualities should they possess?

God cares very much for his church. It cost him the blood of his Son. So, God's Word is very clear in it's teaching on leadership.

In fact, **Titus 1** addresses the issue directly. The Apostle Paul wrote the letter to his co-worker, Titus. He begins;

"5 The reason I left you in Crete was that you might put in order what was left unfinished and **appoint elders** in every town."

What sort of people did the Apostle Paul want Titus to appoint?

Firstly, people known for their **godly character**.

6 An elder must be blameless, faithful to his wife, ... **7** Since an overseer manages God's household, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. **8** Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined.

Notice, the emphasis isn't on their talent or personality type, but their holiness of life.

Secondly, people known for their **gospel convictions**.

9 He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.

In fact, belief and behaviour always go together. Our beliefs shape our behaviour. "Truth leads to godliness" (Titus 1:1)

Character and convictions are at the top of God's list of qualifications for leadership.

Pray God will guide us and raise up the right people to lead among us.

Please pray for:

Those in our Parish...

Keily Family, Noel & Glenda Rodger, Ella Sinclair, Khalil Mellick, Maddison Chellon, Clyde Hoffman, Carol Smith, Del Lockyer, Clyde Wode, Joyce Watts, Judy Truss, Judy, Lachlan Day, Brian Derbyshire, Bev Jarvis, Helen Limkin, Ian Cross, Janine Jaques, Garry and Lyn Gibbons, Sue Wager, Beth Makintosh.
Please pray for those in need of care and healing at this time; pray for our Connect Groups.

Parish Prayer

That our parish be lit up with enthusiasm for the Hope 25 project.
That God would put in our hearts ideas of what we are prepared to do

BCA Daily Prayer Diary...

[BCA Prayer Notes Summer 2024.pdf](#)

CQ DIOCESE – Daily Prayer Diary :

[Prayer Diary 2025](#)

Hope 25 Prayer resources:

[Prayer Resources | Hope25 | Anglican Church of Australia](#)

Prayer for the Incumbent

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; and who will be an encourager equipping your people for ministry and enabling us to fulfill our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and give to us, warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen

Safe Ministry Training

Dean Ross will be facilitating Safe Ministry training in the Diocesan Boardroom next month:

L1 Monday 10th of March 9.30am to 12noon

L2 Monday 24th March 9.30am to 12noon.

Additionally, the Registrar will be facilitating training in Keppel next month also:

L1 then L2 Friday 21st March from 9.30am to approximately 2pm

PC Summary for December/January

Cash at Bank 31 January 2025 (parish accounts only) \$233,332.41

	January
2025	
In-	
come	\$17,271.77
Expenses (including movement in GST) <u>\$27,603.75</u>	
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plus (Deficit)	\$ 10,385.98

During December we paid for the replacement of windows in the Hall after the vandalism. Hook St plumbing repairs were undertaken in December with the clearing of blocked drains from the kitchen cleared.

To have the rental house ready for new locum, there were several repairs required.

The parish arranged and paid for these. The home owner is reimbursing the parish for these and we are paying \$350.00 rent per week, until the rectory becomes available in April 2025..

Parish Council has written to BIC asking for a progress report regarding maintenance of church building in readiness to present to AGM on the 16/03/2025. Rev. Sam thanked the parish and parish council for the family's warm welcome their accommodation, office space and all the little things that we have done. The family is settling in really well. Our Ministry team has worked out our Easter Services.

Ross has a list of upcoming training required by our parish and will let parishioners know what training they are required to complete and when and where.

Thank you,
Your Parish Council.

Bible Readings

Lectionary Readings

	16 March	23 March
1st	Genesis 15.1-12,17-18	Isaiah 55.1-9
Psalm	27	63.1-9
Epistle	Philippians 3.17-4.1	1 Corinthians 10.1-13
Gospel	Luke 13.31-35	Luke 13.1-9

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God is Growing our Church! *with Sam Gough*

We have a problem! Thankfully it's a good problem! The kind of problem that we *do* want!

The problem is our church is getting too full. Last Sunday, there were only enough seats for another five or ten people.

It's every churches desire to be growing, not declining. The register of services shows that since the beginning of 2025, average attendances have jumped by 10-20 people per Sunday. That's very exciting! God is growing our church!

I'm sure we all hope that it won't be too long before one or two more families join us. However, then there'll be standing room only.

So that we can keep growing, you'll notice that a few more chairs have been added this week. But, to squeeze them in, we've had to rearrange them a little.

I hope you'll praise God for this "good problem", and pray with me that growing pains will continue to be a problem for us.

May God bless us with many more "good problems".

Calendar & Contacts

Please let Ross know if you'd like any events added to the calendar

Weekly Events



Mainly Music Every Tuesday
9.30am
Contact Yvonne: 0403 137 293



All Saints Kids Club Every
Friday 3.30pm
Contact Renee: 0407 012 603



**Connect / Bible Study
Groups**
**Alternate Wednesday
10.30am**
@Rice Street
Contact Narelle: 0429 180 282
Thursday 9.30am @All Saints
Contact Jenny 4928 5651
Saturday 10am @All Saints
Contact Jen: 0435 824 414

Monthly Events

- 1st Sunday Parish Lunch
Contact Robert: 0429317165
- 1st Monday GFS Craft and Chat Morning at St
Matthew's Senior Citizens Hall 9:30am
- 1st Tuesday 10am Leinster Place
Contact Narelle 0429 180 282
- 1st Friday 10am Fellowship service
- 2nd Monday 10.00am Ladies Cuppa & Chat
Contact Carol 0409 578 562
- 2nd Tuesday 10am St Matthews
Contact Narelle 0429 180 282
- 2nd & 4th Wednesday 10.30am Bible Study
Contact Narelle 0429 180 282
- 2nd Friday 9.30am MU
Contact Heather 0407722345
- 3rd Sunday 10.00 Parish Council
- 3rd Monday 9.30am Bethany
Contact Narelle 0429 180 282
- 3rd Monday GFS Craft and Chat Morning at St
Matthew's Senior Citizens Hall 9:30am
- 4th Tuesday 10am St Matthews
Contact Narelle 0429 180 282

NORTH ROCKHAMPTON

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Name:..... **Service:** **Date:**

Address: **Email:**

Mobile: **Hm:**..... **Wk:**.....

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