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**Second Sunday of Easter (White/Gold)**

**12 April 2026**

**Today's Bible Readings as per LCA Worship page**

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 *Peter gives witness that God raised Jesus*

Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3-9 *New birth through the resurrection of Christ*

John 20:19-31 *Thomas sees the risen Christ and believes*

**This week's activities across the parish:**

Sun	12		Services in all congregations(Pastor Stuart in Wondai & Murgon)
Wed	15	6:30pm	Kingaroy Church Council Meeting
Thu	16	7:00pm	Kumbia Church Council Meeting(tbc)
Fri	17	9:30am	Bible Study in Kingaroy
Sun	19		Services in all Congregations(Pastor Stuart in Yarraman)

**Pray this Week for the following:**



- for those who doubt or struggle to believe in Jesus
- for those who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus
- for those who bear witness of their faith in Jesus
- for an end to suffering and death due to war and violence

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## Bible Readings from LCA Worship page

12 April Second Sunday of Easter (White/Gold)	19 April Third Sunday of Easter (White/Gold)	26 April Fourth Sunday of Easter (White/Gold)
Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31	Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35	Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

## Future Activities

Mon	20 Apr	7:00pm	Murgon Church Council Meeting
Thur	23 Apr	9:00am	Parish Council Meeting
Fri	24 Apr	9:30am	Games, cards, craft and chat in Kingaroy
Wed	6 May	10:00am	Service at Orana (Rev Jordan Bennet)
Thu	7 May	9:30am	Friendship Circle Bible Study and Meeting
Fri	8 May	9:30am	Games, cards, craft and chat in Kingaroy

### Introduction to the readings

During the season of Easter our Old Testament readings are replaced by readings from the Acts of the Apostles, in today's case we hear part of Peter's post-Pentecost witness to the crowds about Jesus' death and resurrection. The Psalmist talks confidently of God not abandoning his favoured one in the grave. We hear more from Peter in his first letter speaking of the living hope we have through faith in our resurrected Lord which helps us endure our trials. Like every year on the 2nd Sunday of Easter, we hear of the risen Lord Jesus appearing to the disciples – once without Thomas, but then also when Thomas was present. As Jesus says: Blessed are those who have not seen (like Thomas) and yet still believe!

### Lutheran Youth of Queensland Winter Camps

Registrations for the Winter Camps will be open on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April (<https://lyq.org.au/>), and places usually fill fast!

You might consider encouraging young people to attend one of these camps during the Winter school holidays:

#### **Week 1**

**CLW Coolum A**, Grades 7-12 (in 2026) *Luther Heights Youth Camp, Coolum*

**Kids Camp, Coolum**, Grades 3-6 (in 2026) *Luther Heights Youth Camp, Coolum*

**CLW Darling Downs**, Grades 7-12 (in 2026) *Googa Outdoor Education Centre, Blackbutt*

#### **Week 2**

**CLW Coolum B**, Grades 7-12 (in 2026) *Luther Heights Youth Camp, Coolum*

Also remember the good news that the South Burnett Lutheran Parish is willing to subsidise children who wish to attend!

Lutheran Women Qld Wide Bay Burnett Zone 58<sup>th</sup> RALLY DAY - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2026

at ST JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH HERVEY BAY (138 - 172 Pantlins Lane, Urraween) .

THEME: When Faith Feels Far Away (holding hope for our Children and Grandchildren) .

Beginning at 9am for Morning Tea followed by Worship & Bible Study and special guest Speakers - David Barnett (Mercy and the children who carry heavy stories) and Pastor Lester Reinbott (sharing the faith in todays world).

## *New Life at any Stage*

Easter is commonly tied to the sacrament of baptism, following St Paul in Romans 6:3-5:

*Do you not know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.*

Towards the end of 2025, the Australian government passed a new Aged Care Act. Significant for Lutheran Services, which operates a dozen aged care facilities in Queensland, is that spiritual care is deemed to be an essential part of person-centred care, and that everyone has the right to receive it.

Across Lutheran Services, chaplains help keep that thread strong. In fact, spiritual care is part of our DNA. In the past year alone, our chaplains served more than 23,700 hours across aged care and hospital settings—offering pastoral care for everyone, building relationships, supporting people in life’s important moments, and gently helping them reflect on meaning, hope and purpose. Today, 19 aged care chaplains serve in 12 communities, walking alongside more than 1,000 residents. They are deeply valued and in high demand—playing a vital role in keeping our faith identity alive, meaningful and dynamic.

For some, that desire to express a spiritual connection grows stronger in later years. That was the case for Barry Pollock, a resident at Zion Aged Care, when he voiced his wish to be baptised. Barry had not been baptised as a child and had long held an interest in religion, but for him, baptism felt like stepping into something deeper. What surprised Barry most was not the ceremony itself, but the sense of belonging it stirred within him.

‘I’ve always found religion interesting—how people made sense of life over a 3000-year period. I like listening to the stories, and I just kept going further into it,’ Barry shared.

Barry has lived at Lutheran Services’ Zion Aged Care in Nundah for more than 18 months. During that time, he has joined Lutheran church services. Then, one simple moment opened a new door. One Sunday, the local pastor talked about baptism during his sermon.

‘(He said) “Who hasn’t been baptised?” I put my hand up. From there, I thought, I’ll just go and ask (Chaplain) Gillian how to get baptised.’

Soon after, supported by Zion’s Chaplain Gillian Reid, Barry gathered with fellow residents to begin the journey.

‘When it was organised, I thought it would just be a quiet thing. Then one of the girls pulled out chairs in front of the altar, and suddenly we had a small gathering for the whole group,’ he said.

The baptism left Barry feeling part of something greater—embraced by a community willing to share the moment.

‘Really, I felt as happy as you can get. It was special that others joined in,’ Barry said.

‘One of the residents even gave me a high five afterwards.’

Barry’s story reminds us that the Spirit moves at every stage of life—inviting, surprising, and drawing us into a community of faith. And it’s a living picture of our chaplaincy ministry: present in the everyday, attentive to the heart, and there for people.

<b>South Burnett Lutheran Parish</b> sbluthparish.com <b>St John's Kingaroy</b> 36 Markwell Street Kingaroy 4610	<b>Worship</b>	<b>12 April</b>	<b>19 April</b>	<b>26 April</b>
	Kingaroy 9.30 am Kumbia 8.00 am Yarraman 8.00 am Wondai 7.45 am Murgon 9.30am	Lay Led Lay Led Lay Led Pastor Stuart(HC) Pastor Stuart(HC)	Lay Led Lay Led Pastor Stuart(HC) Lay Led Lay Led	Pastor Stuart(HC) Lay Led Lay Led Lay Led Lay Led
	<b>Rosters</b>			
	<b>St John's Kingaroy</b>	<b>12 April</b>	<b>19 April</b>	<b>26 April</b>
	Worship Leader Bible Reader Musician Audio Visual Communion Welcoming Morning Tea Flowers Cleaning	Lay Led(Noel)(HC) Rod L Del Leister/Chris Wayne/Chris Ushers Narelle & Joan Evelyn Duneman -Jocelyn Hansen	Lay Led(Geoff) Grace Suz Chris/Anna - Jocelyn Cherryl & Kathy Meryl Kahler Melody Cook & Meryl Kahler	Pastor Stuart(HC) Ron K Del Geoff/Chris Geoff/Kendall Bev Parish Service Marion Campbell Melody Cook & Meryl Kahler
<b>Calvary Yarraman</b> McDaniel Street Yarraman 4614 <b>St John's Lutheran School</b> Ivy Street Kingaroy 4610 <i>Principal: Ruth Ferguson</i> <i>Phone: 4162 3988</i> <b>Orana Aged Care</b> MacDiarmid Street Kingaroy 4610 <i>Chaplain: Jordan Bennett</i> <i>Phone: 4162 6555</i> <b>Parish Office</b> 36 Markwell Street Kingaroy 4610 PO Box 633, Kingaroy Qld 4610 <i>Phone: 4162 1336</i> <a href="mailto:kroy.luth@gmail.com">kroy.luth@gmail.com</a> <i>HC = Holy Communion</i>	<b>St John Trinity Wondai</b>	<b>12 April</b>	<b>19 April</b>	<b>26 April</b>
	Worship Leader Flowers & Cleaning	Pastor Stuart(HC) Judy	Lay Led Judy	Lay Led Fay & Rachel
	<b>St Paul's Murgon</b>	<b>12 April</b>	<b>19 April</b>	<b>26 April</b>
Worship Leader Musician Reader Communion Sound PowerPoint Welcoming	Pastor Stuart(HC) Gae Penny Keith Keith Beryl Ian	Lay Led(Keith) Marion Sue  Keith Sue Keith C	TBA	
<b>Peace Kumbia/Taabinga</b>	<b>12 April</b>	<b>19 April</b>	<b>26 April</b>	
Worship Leader Flowers Cleaning Welcoming	Lay Led Janice Polly Val	Lay Led Heather Diance Dave & Polly	Lay Led Heather Diane Chrissy	