



**LUTHERAN
CHURCH**
OF AUSTRALIA

**SOUTH BURNETT
LUTHERAN PARISH**
QLD

1st Sunday of Advent 01 December 2024

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Today our readings are:

Jeremiah 33:14-16 - *A righteous descendant of David as king*

Psalms 25:1-10

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 - *May God continue to bless you*

Luke 21:25-36 - *Signs of the end of the age*

This week's activities across the parish:

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| Sun 1 Dec | Services all congregations
St John's, Kingaroy - a guest speaker from Voice of the Martyrs will give a short presentation at the end of the service - followed by an Advent lunch |
| Thur 5 Dec 10.00 am | St John's Ladies Friendship Circle beginning with Bible Study in Supper and afterwards at Kingaroy RSL for lunch. |
| Sun 8 Dec | Services all congregations |

Pray This Week for the following:

- For those who don't know the Lord's ways, that they may learn and trust in the Truth
- For those troubled by their past, that they may know the comfort of God's forgiveness and cleansing
- For those troubled by the future, that they may trust God's promises won't change
- For those across the LCA who are troubled by recent changes at the recent Synodical Convention
- For those across the LCA who are confused and angry by news of pastors and people leaving the LCA Anyone needing our prayers?

Please send requests to kroy.luth@gmail.com.

Future Bible Readings

Sunday 1 December Advent 1 (Blue/Violet)	Sunday 8 December Advent 2 (Blue/Violet)	Sunday 15 December Advent 3 (Blue/Violet)
Jeremiah 33:14-16 Psalm 25:1-10 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36	Malachi 3:1-4 Psalm: Luke 1:68-79 Song of Zechariah (Benedictus) Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6	Zephaniah 3:14-20 Isaiah 12:2-6 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:7-18

A note on the 'Year of Luke' as we start a new church year:

St Luke was a doctor, historian, and theologian. He accompanied St Paul on some of his travels (cf. Colossians 4:14; Philemon 24; 2 Timothy 4:11). Although we may think St Paul wrote most of the New Testament letters, St Luke actually wrote a greater proportion of the New Testament (he wrote 'Luke' as his first volume (24 chapters) and 'Acts' as his second (28 chapters) – it can be helpful to read both volumes one after another).

According to Luke 1:1-4, St Luke 'carefully investigated everything from the beginning'...to 'write an orderly account' for Theophilus (perhaps a friend, although this name means 'one who loves God'). This is so that one 'may know the certainty of the things you have been taught'. The eyewitness accounts in the Gospel of Luke show how Jesus fulfills Old Testament prophecies relating to the covenant between God and Israel.

Luke documents how Jesus expands God's kingdom and covenant by creating a new Israel that includes the poor, outcasts and others to whom Jesus brings restoration and reverses their life circumstances as he gives them freedom and release from the tyranny of evil and sin.

Throughout the book, we see that Jesus is indeed the messianic king, but he will reign over Israel by suffering. His actions usher in an upside-down kingdom marked by self-giving love, and he challenges his disciples to follow his example and share in his ministry.

In many ways, the Gospel according to St Luke acts like a catechism as it's a prime source for the church's teachings, songs, liturgy, and service which we're to hear again and again as we follow Jesus.

The blessing for us as we read the Gospel according to St Luke is we're invited to journey along with Jesus, learn from him as our new Kingdom authority, and be nourished by him at his holy banquet. He is the promised King who truly blesses all of humanity through faith in him.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES STH BURNETT LUTHERAN PARISH

<u>Kingaroy</u>	Christmas Eve	7.00 pm	Christmas Day	9.30 am
<u>Kumbia</u>	Christmas Eve	Time TBA	Christmas Day	8.00 am
<u>Wondai and Murgon</u>				
	Christmas Eve at Murgon		7.00 pm	
	Christmas Day at Wondai		8.00 am	
<u>Yarraman</u>	Christmas Eve	Time TBA	Christmas Day	No service



Other notices and news items:

THANK YOU

Robert Knock would like to thank you for your prayers and support during the difficult time of Gail's passing. Your cards and messages of sympathy were much appreciated. Thank you also to all who helped in any way on the day Gail was laid to rest.

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ST JOHNS LUTHERAN LADIES FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE MEETING on Thursday 5 December



for Bible Study only beginning at 10.00 am in our Church Hall Supper Room.

Please note after Bible study we will be attending the Kingaroy RSL for lunch (at own expense). This will be our end of year break-up. All members of our congregation men and women welcome to attend.

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CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Please note that Confirmation Classes have finished for 2024. All the parents and class members have been informed. Classes will continue in 2025 at a date to be announced.

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Wondai Combined Churches Christmas Carol Service is on Sunday, 1 December at 1.30 pm in the Anglican church. Please bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea.

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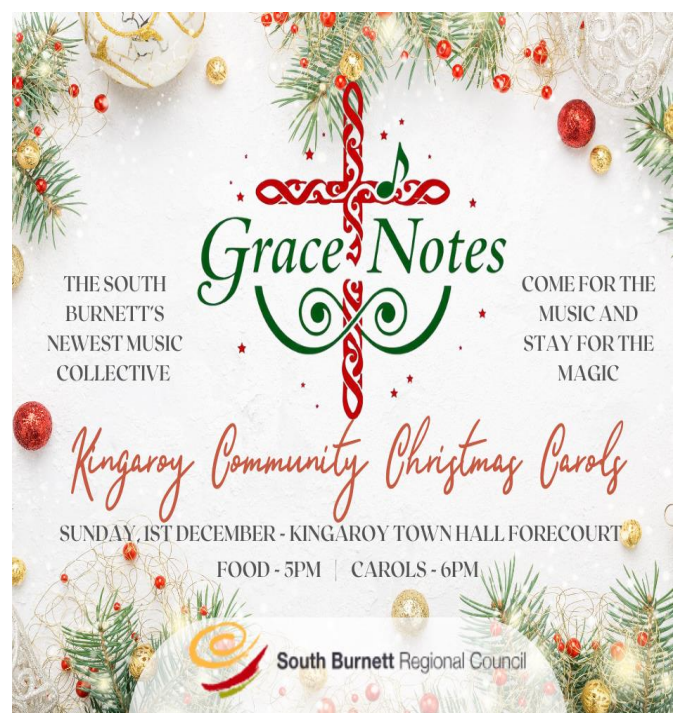
ADVENT PRAYER TIME



Throughout Advent at Kingaroy, before each Worship Service, there will be a time (about 15 minutes)

of quiet guided prayer on Power Point, based on the readings for the day.

This will begin on 1st December



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South Burnett Lutheran Parish sbluthparish.com St John's Kingaroy 36 Markwell Street Kingaroy 4610 Peace Kumbia/Taabinga Koehler Street Kumbia 4610 St Paul's Murgon 19 Thorn Street Murgon 4605 St John Trinity Wondai 37-39 Edward Street Wondai 4606 Calvary Yarraman McDaniel Street Yarraman 4614 St John's Lutheran School Ivy Street Kingaroy 4610 <i>Principal: Karyn Bjelke-Petersen</i> <i>Phone: 4162 3988</i> Orana Aged Care MacDiarmid Street Kingaroy 4610 <i>Chaplain: Jordan Bennett</i> <i>Phone: 4162 6555</i> Parish Office 36 Markwell Street Kingaroy 4610 PO Box 633, Kingaroy Qld 4610 <i>Phone: 4162 1336</i> kroy.luth@gmail.com <i>HC = Holy Communion</i>	Worship	1 December	8 December	15 December
	Kingaroy Kumbia Yarraman Wondai Murgon	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 Pastor Stuart HC Lay Led Lay Led Lay Led
	Rosters			
	St John's Kingaroy	1 December	8 December	15 December
	Worship Leader Bible Reader Musician Audio Visual Communion Welcoming Morning Tea Flowers Cleaning	Lay Led (Geoff) Grace/Karen Suz Chris/Grace -- Bev Cherry/Kathy/Grace Artificial Flowers Jenny Tessmann	Lay Led (Chris) Ron K Del Geoff -- Jocelyn Narelle, Joan Evelyn D Melody, Meryl	Pastor Stuart HC Rod Larsen Glenice Rosanne/Chris Peter/Kendall Del Evelyn/Madge Meryl Kahler Melody/Meryl
	St John Trinity Wondai	1 December	8 December	15 December
	Worship Leader Flowers & Cleaning	Pastor Stuart HC Judy	Lay Led Fay, Rachel	Lay Led Fay, Rachel
	St Paul's Murgon	1 December	8 December	15 December
	Worship Leader Musician Reader Communion Sound PowerPoint Welcoming	Pastor Stuart HC Jordan Veronica Bruce Lucy Nola	Lay Led (Ian) Gae Marilyn -- Keith Beryl Florence	Lay Led (Jordan) Jordan Lucy -- Bruce Mac/Lucy Ian
	Peace Kumbia/Taabinga	1 December	8 December	15 December
	Worship Leader Flowers Cleaning Welcoming	Lay Led Helen Polly Janice	Lay Led Helen Polly Chrissy	Pastor Stuart HC Janice Dianne Dave, Polly