

PRAYERS

Please continue to hold the Joint Nominating Committee and members of Church Council in your prayers in their time of discernment for the call of a new Minister to the Parish of Fitzroy.

REPORTS

Annual Reports for 2020 are due by the end of November. Please forward them to the Church Office.

SERMONS ONLINE

Past Sermons are available on our website www.northrockyuc.org.au

ENVELOPES

If you require new offering envelopes, please take a box from the table in the foyer.

GARAGE SALE HELPERS - meeting

There will be a Garage Sale Briefing for all helpers on 25 October in the hall, after church. Can all helpers please attend this meeting. If you are unable to be there could you contact Ros or Bob.

CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES

Church Council held their regular meeting on Wednesday 14th and discussed the following –

- Approved Covid Safe Plan for the upcoming Garage Sale.
- Approved a Blue Service on Sunday 6th December at 5pm.
- Discussion regarding forward planning of services over the Advent period, including a children's service in conjunction with Mainly Music.

Our Covid Safe Warden would like to thank everyone for your continued compliance and co-operation with all our Covid Safe requirements!



Direct Debit Giving

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Prayer Points

-  **All the Churches within Australia, Our Nation and Our Leaders** during this difficult time.
-  **Nauru Congregational Church.**
-  **Church 360 – Christian Outreach Centre.**
-  **Our Partner Church, Clermont/Capella Congregation** and their leader Heather James.
-  **Mainly Music Program** – for a new leader to come forward next year.
-  **Church Volunteers** – for our Cleaners, Lay Preachers, Sound and Power Point Preparers and Operators and Church Leaders.
-  **Iloura Child Care Centre** – for the staff, children and their families.

Lectionary Readings

18 October – Pentecost 20	Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22
25 October – Pentecost 21	Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46
1 November – All Saints Day	Revelations 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

Garage Sale

Garage Sale on 31 October – Election day. We will have cakes, plants and craft. If you have donations – please contact Ray as the shed is very full! If you are intending to work on these days, please list your name on the roster. Volunteers are required on Friday from 8am to set up, on the Saturday from 6am, and Monday from 8am to help pack away.

COVID

Please remember that while we are able to worship together, we are still required to follow all COVID guidelines. Ros McKendry is our COVID Safe Warden.

Regular Meetings and Events

Bible Study Group (via Zoom)
(Contact Rhonda MacErlich)

Every Monday at 4.00pm

Bible Study Group

Contact Caroline Holmes

Bible Study: The Word of God and Meditation of Heart.

Led by Rev. Dr. Amos Manoharan

Friday mornings 10am – 11am

Classes: Harmonious Living through Yoga and Christian Meditation.

(A Holistic Approach: Body, Mind and Spirit)

Led by Rev. Dr. Amos Manoharan

Tuesdays 4-5pm

Donations

Illoura would welcome any donations of magazines, egg cartons, small cardboard boxes. No fabric required at this time. You can place them in the pink box in the foyer.

Mainly Music – opportunity!!

The Mainly Music Programme is in need of a volunteer/s to come forward to help in various roles in 2021, such as light duties – sorting and wiping down toys and props; and we especially need someone to fill the role of Music Leader – you would need to be able to engage the children in song and dance through the 20 minute music section! If you have these gifts and would love to have fun each week leading the children in song and action – this is your opportunity. A Blue Card can be arranged if you don't already have one. If you need any information please contact Rhonda MacErlich on 0458 652 511. Please hold the Mainly Music Programme and the team in your prayers as they continue to provide this outreach.

School Chaplaincy

Lesley Scott would welcome any donations of bottles or cans displaying the 10cent refund symbol – this will assist in fundraising efforts for Chaplaincy. Please bring them to the office or give them to Lesley on Sundays.



Coins for Kiribati – the coin jar for collection of Coins for Kiribati will be out again this week. If you have any loose change please put in the jar.

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Office Hours	Thursdays 9am-12pm	
Sunday 18 October	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 25 October	9.00am	
Sunday 1 November	9.00am	Holy Communion

Rosters		
Stewards	October	Team 'B'
	November	Team 'C'
	December	Team 'A'
Bible Reader	18 October	Edith Plumb
	25 October	John Wagstaff
Morning Tea Trolley	18 October	Bob Bowser
	25 October	Janis Harth
Prayer After Worship	18 October	Rhonda MacErlich
	25 October	Ros McKendry
Weddings & Funerals	October	Stan Steadman
	November	Edith Plumb
Mowing	October	Stan Steadman & Darryl Schneider
	November	Bob Bowser & Ray Turner

Prayer for Queensland Mental Health Week - Queensland Synod.

For Queensland Mental Health week (10–18 October 2020) Rev John Ruhle has shared this prayer.

Loving God, as people of faith have prayed and lived out for eons we seek to love you with all of our hearts, all of our souls and all of our minds.

During this month that is focussing on mental health we realise that our minds are a huge part of who we are as individuals and who we are as followers of you.

Give us the courage to ask the caring questions around our own mental health and the empathy to walk alongside others. Amen.

Mental health

The Uniting Church in Queensland formally recognised the importance of mental health ministry at the 31st Synod in October 2014. The church affirmed the ongoing provision of mental health services by church agencies; requested the identification, development and provision of resources for congregations; and encouraged all congregations to participate in the Mental Health Day of Prayer during Mental Health Week in October each year.

The church recognises that people with mental health issues are one of the most marginalised groups in the community, are frequently isolated, and experience poverty, unemployment, stigma and exclusion. We are called to care and be involved in outreach to individuals and families whose lives are affected by mental health issues, and in advocacy to remove injustices in mental health delivery and support.

Spiritual health

The Biblical witness speaks of a variety of human experiences of time. There is joy and despair, hope and hopelessness, celebration and grief. There is no normal human experience of time.

- There are times to lament and to groan about the fragility of creation (Romans 8: 18-25).
- Jesus cried out “My God, My God, why have you forsaken me” (Matthew 27: 46).
- The Psalmist cries out “How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? How long must I bear pain in my soul, and have sorrow in my heart all day long?” (Psalm 13: 1-3).
- The wisdom writers remind us, “For everything there is an appointed time, and an appropriate time for every activity on earth: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to uproot what was planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance. A time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to search, and a time to give something up as lost; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; a time to rip, and a time to sew; a time to keep silent, and a time to speak. A time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.” (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8).
- In the New Testament, the apostle Paul reminds us, “Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, ‘For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.’ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

North Rockhampton Uniting Church



**Sunday 18 October 2020–
Pentecost 20 - Green**

Mission Statement -

- **Serving God through Christ in Church and Community.**

Welcome to new worshippers and visitors! Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the morning service.

Supply Minister

Rev. Dr. Amos Manoharan is our Supply Minister for the months of September & October 2020.

Farewell to Rev Dr Amos

We would like to take an opportunity to farewell Rev Amos and thank him for his time among us. A Farewell Dinner has been organised for the 26th October at 6pm at the Frenchville Club. Please RSVP to Caroline Holmes by the 19th October. We must have numbers to make a booking in line with COVID requirements.

Prayer Chain

There has been a change to how to get prayer requests added to the prayer chain now that we have no minister in placement. From now on, Sally Sutherland has offered to coordinate it. Please either ring Sally on 4936 4025 or email prayer@northrockyuc.org.au.

Livestreaming

South Rockhampton Uniting Church are still continuing with Live Streaming of their weekly services at 9.00am. Please note that there this is a **new link** which has been sent out via e-mail. If you have not received it, please note that the link is - <https://southrockyuc.online.church>

Thought of the day

Patient waiting is often the highest way of doing God's will.

*Jeremy Collier
English Bishop 1650-1726*