

Today as a Parish will acknowledge our fallen brothers and sisters in recognition of Anzac Day that was on Tuesday 25th April. The Ode to the Fallen: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them. We will remember them. Lest we forget



THANKSGIVING FOR A CHILD TODAY! In a private ceremony, the Bellina Family and friends, will give thanks to God for wee Gabriella this afternoon.

Please join us in holding the Bellina family and especially Gabriella up in prayer as her family give thanks for the precious gift of God that Gabriella is. We will give Gabriella, the gift of a beeswax candle as a symbol of God's great love for her, wee *Bee Bellina*, as her parents called her, while she was still in the womb.



MORE THAN JUST A CUPPA...

an opportunity to show welcome and build community.

We have space in our volunteer team for Morning Tea after the 9.00am service, on the Second and Third Sundays of each month. It involves bringing milk and cake or biscuits, and setting up and putting away. Sarah in the Parish Office is keen to hear from you.



# 30th April 2023 EASTER FOUR 7.30 AM PARISH EUCHARIST

9.00 AM FAMILY EUCHARIST





#### **VISIONS OF GREEN PASTURES**

"I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine." John 10:14 "I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety." Psalm 4:8

Sometimes at night, I can't get to sleep even after counting all those little sheep.

As I toss and I turn, there upon my bed visions of green pastures float around in my head.

A sudden rush of calm, washes over me for in the distance my Shepherd I can see.

As I draw to Him closer, I ask Him to cast out the concerns causing me in my bed to toss about.

My eyes slowly close, as my worries I release soon I am enveloped in His love and peace. Sometimes at night, I fall fast asleep ... just by thinking about being one of His sheep!

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THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH				
TUESDAY	2nd	7.30	)pm	Parish Council
Friday	5th	10.0	0am	Eucharist
Sunday	7th	7.30 9.00	Dam Dam	Eucharist Family Eucharist
ROSTERED DUTIES 7/5		7.30AM		9.00ам
L.A.'s		Allan		Howard/Roland
MUSIC		Robert		Wendy
READERS		Allan/Ann		Linda P/Michael
INTERCESSOR		June		Sarah
MORNING TEA		Dianne/Jenny		
WELCOMERS		Bob & Glenda		Tony R
Audio Visual		Paul		Donovan
FLOWERS Car	oline	CHURCH CLEA		ANING Barbara

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#### **READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER 30TH APRIL**

#### SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

'I am the good shepherd,' says the Lord. 'The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.' John 10.11

#### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep: send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING: ACTS 2.42-47 JUNE PARKER MICHAEL SMIT

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

#### PSALM 23:

1. The Lord is my shepherd:

therefore can I lack nothing.

2. He will make me lie down in green pastures: and lead me beside still waters.

3. He will refresh my soul:

and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

- 4. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.
- 5. You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me: you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6. Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

#### SECOND READING: 1 PETER 2.1–10 VANESSA HANLON SARAH DAVIES

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

#### GOSPEL: John 10.1–10 Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

#### **Parish Prayers**

## The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

#### In The World: -

The Episcopal Church

#### In The Diocese:

• The Parish of Brisbane Mar Thoma Church:

Anglicare SQ Mental Health & Wellbeing (Inala)

#### Pray for those in need:

Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Douglas, Kerry, Helena, Daniel, Roy, Michael, Ruth, Williamson Family, Rev Helen Phillips, Vince, Helen, Rev Paul Bland, Ray, Joan, Pam, Laurie, Lionel & Sue

#### Prayer at the time of choosing an Archbishop.

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy give your Church in this Diocese a shepherd after your own heart, who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. May your Church be built up and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## CAKE STALL

Thank you to everyone who contributed to last week's Cake Stall which raised \$875.00 for Parish funds.

### In Memory April 30th—May 6th

Constance Laura Mason (1992)

Alexander William Todkill (2001) Laura Martinez (2019)

## Church war memorials: our Diocese's legacy.



"Erecting memorials after World War I was one way of helping people come to terms with their grief, as well as expressing gratitude for the sacrifice and courage of the Diggers who served. The size of the monument at the Ma Ma Creek church reflects the sheer scale of loss experienced by one local Anglican family, the Andrews family," says Denzil Scrivens from St John's Cathedral.

Thirteen kilometres south west of Gatton on the Gatton-Clifton Road one drives through the tiny rural town of Ma Ma Creek. As you pass through this isolated spot, a completely unexpected sight appears, the old Anglican church of St Stephen's surrounded by bushland. Next to it is the church's modest graveyard. At first sight, both the church and the graveyard appear ordinary. However, dominating the churchyard is a life-size statue of a First World War soldier, a "Digger", standing atop a massive plinth. His head is bowed and his hands rest on a reversed rifle. The memorial is the focus of local public Anzac Day memorial services. The size and

quality of this impressive monument are what one would normally expect to find in a city park or cenotaph. To find something of this nature in an isolated rural district town is at first quite astonishing. Yet on deeper reflection, it's unsurprising. After the Great War, the practice of erecting memorials was commonplace in Queensland, as it was elsewhere in Australia. Whole communities were traumatised. Many family members, friends and associates had been killed or injured in the fighting. Almost everyone knew someone who had experienced the death of a loved one.

Erecting memorials after World War I was one way of helping people come to terms with their grief, as well as expressing gratitude for the sacrifice and courage of the Diggers who served. The size of the monument at the Ma Ma Creek church reflects the sheer scale of loss experienced by one local Anglican family, the Andrews family. Fleurine Andrews was widowed in 1907 and left to care for her family of eight boys and three girls on the family farm. When war broke out, three of her sons, James, George and Bertie, enlisted. All were killed in France. James was killed in 1916, aged 26. George, Fleurine's eldest son, was killed in 1917, aged 28. Her youngest boy, Bertie, died in 1918, aged 20.

With the help of local community donations, Mrs Andrews commissioned the monument in 1919, a year after Bertie's death. The Queensland Government website notes that the memorial "is a rarity, the only surviving 'Digger' wearing a cap instead of a slouch hat." Mrs Andrews also donated a church organ in her sons' memory. She died in 1938, aged 80, and is buried beside her husband David in the Andrews family burial plot in the churchyard close to the memorial. This memorial illustrates how people who lost loved ones in the war needed tangible symbols of remembrance, as well as how often Great War memorials were erected in churches or churchyards.

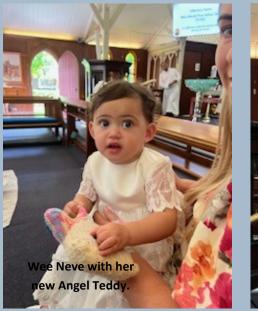
This is also true of memorials erected after World War II. At the time of both world wars, churchgoing and church association were common. The local church was a key gathering place in the community and a natural centre for commemoration. Anglican churches were a particular focal point because in the first half of the 20th century almost 50 per cent of Queenslanders identified as belonging to the Church of England. There were also historic links between the Anglican Church and the Defence Force community going back centuries.... You can find the remainder of this article at:

www.anglicanfocus.org.au/2023/04/18/church-war-memorials-our-dioceses-legacy/

Source: Church war memorials: our Diocese's legacy (anglicanfocus.org.au)









Quinn's First Baptism (He's a little bit excited!) Wee Neve Jelina Puroku 23.04.2023