SERVICES OF WORSHIP

Rockhampton South Parish

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

8.00am	Bushley	Rev Jennifer Roberts
8.00am	South R'ton	Rev Glenn Ingram (HC)
9.30am	South R'ton	Rev Glenn Ingram
10.00am	Mount Morgan	Rev Jennifer Roberts
7.30pm	South R'ton	Mr Stan Comollatti

Thursday, November 7
10.30am Gracemere Aged Care Facility, Gracemere Gardens, Combined Service

Ministers: Rev Glenn Ingram 4922 1882
Email: ingram@dovenetq.net.au

Rev Jennifer Roberts 0413 434 480
Email: strebor7@bigpond.com

Blue Care Gracemere Aged Care Facility Chaplain: Rev Glenn Ingram 4922 1882 / 0419 689 087

Hospital Chaplain: Ms Sue Dunlop 0487 604 443

Prison Chaplain: Mrs Lois Wilson 4933 3778 (if you are interested in Prison Chaplaincy please contact Lois)

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Office Secretary: Lyn Thomasson

LECTIONARY READINGS

October 27	**November 3**
Pentecost 23	Pentecost 24
Joel 2:23-32	Habakkuk 1:1-4,2:1-4
Psalm 65	Psalm 119:137-144
2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4,11-12
Luke 18:9-14	Luke 19:1-10
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Sunday,
October 27, 2013

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

The Uniting Church in Australia
The Parish of Rockhampton South
-NEWSLETTER-

MOVING WITH GOD'S SPIRIT

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Seeking to be an active expression of God's love in Christ to all people, both within the Rockhampton South Parish and beyond.

Our readings from Jeremiah this week cover the period described in 2 Kings 24. Jehoiakin has died and his son Jehoiachin (called Coniah in Jeremiah 22:24) rules in his place. Jerusalem is besieged by Nebuchadnesser and falls. Jehoiachin and his mother are taken as captives to Babylon. This is the first exile in 597 BC. Jehoiachin's Uncle, given the name of Zedekiah by the Babylonians, is installed as king in Judah. We will meet up with him next week.

Daily Psalm: Ps. 119:137-144: "Your law, O Lord, is the truth."

Daily Scripture Readings: "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and obey it –"

Mon. Luke 19:1-10: doing the maths involved in Zacchaeus' promise to realise how little of his wealth was obtained dishonestly and recalling John the Baptist's instruction to tax collectors (Luke 3:13).

Tues. Habakkuk 1:1-4,2:1-4: having no easy answer to Habakkuk's questions about the apparent indifference of the righteous God to evil in the world.

Wed. 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12: offering prayer that we may be worthy of the call of God and able to fulfil by his power every good resolve and work of faith.

Thurs: Jeremiah 9:10-22: shaken by Jeremiah's powerful description of a city under siege, with the country laid bare, people eating wormwood and human corpses falling like dung.

Fri: Jeremiah 22:24-30: awed by the judgment of God upon Judah so that even the death of King Jehioakin will bring no change because his son, Jehoiachin (Coniah), is a broken pot.

Sat. Jeremiah 13:15-27: joining the exiles, including Jehoiachin and his mother, as they begin their journey into exile at Babylon.

We extend a warm welcome to any visitors or newcomers with us today. Please give us an opportunity to get to know you after the Service.

Welcome

Tuesday, October 29

9.15am **Play Group** in the small hall – **Painting**.
9.30am **Indoor Bowls** in the large hall – **all welcome**.

Wednesday, October 30

7.00pm **Stillness & Meditation** in the South R'ton Church – Rev Jennifer Roberts.
7.00pm **Indoor Bowls** in the large hall – **club night.**
7.30pm **Bible Study** at Ingram's.

Thursday, October 31

10.30am **Gracemere Aged Care Facility, Gracemere Gardens**, Combined Service.
5.15pm **Worship Band practice** in the South R'ton UC.
7.30pm **Choir Practice** in South R'ton Church.

HELPERS NEEDED

The **Rockhampton High Breakfast Club** is looking for a volunteer or two for a Tuesday or Thursday morning 7.45 – 8.45am.

Blue Card essential.

Contact Gail walker phone 4927 5566.

MINI TRAINS & BYO PICNIC SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2.30pm

We will be gathering for a BYO Picnic at Leichhardt Park. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship. Must have hat and enclosed shoes to ride the trains.

$2 per ride or $10 unlimited.

For more information please speak to Rev Jennifer.

Rockhampton Churches' Covenant of Prayer:

Wesleyan Methodist Church, the congregation and the pastor, Rev Keith Rose, to continue to deepen their relationship with God and to have a growing connection with the local community at Lake's Creek.

For Your Diary

Sunday, November 3

5.00pm **Fellowship** at Gracemere followed by fellowship tea – Rev Glenn

Tuesday, November 5

9.15am **Play Group** in the small hall – ***Obstacle Course***.
9.30am **Indoor Bowls** in the large hall – **all welcome**.
7.30pm **Discipleship & Personal Development Committee** meeting in the Campbell Street Manse.

Wednesday, November 6

9.30am **South R'ton Adult Fellowship** AGM & Donations in the small hall.
7.00pm **Stillness & Meditation** in the South R'ton Church.
7.00pm **Indoor Bowls** in the large hall – **club night**.

Tuesday, November 12

7.30pm **R'ton Development Committee meeting** in Sagnol House.

Wednesday, November 13

9.30am **Blue Care Auxiliary meeting** in the small hall.

Friday, November 15

8am – 12.30pm **Blue Care Auxiliary Street Stall** in East Street (outside old National Bank).

Monday, November 18

6.30pm **Craft Group** meets in small hall – **painting 2 hanging wooden stars with angel faces. $12**.

Tuesday, November 19

7.30pm **Worship & Evangelism Committee meeting** in Sagnol House.

Tuesday, November 26

7.30pm **Church Council** meets at South R'ton.

SOUTH R'TON MOWING ROSTER
02/11/2013

Col Hooton, Ian Jennings, Antony Dekkers

POSITIONS VACANT – Paid RE Teachers

We have two paid CASUAL vacancies for Primary School Christian Religious Education Ministry Workers in the Rockhampton/Gracemere area.

One position is for 1 day per week.
One position is for 3 to 4 days per week.

Each school day involves teaching up to seven 30 minute lessons with about 25 to 30 children. The grades range from grade 1 to grade 7.

To apply for either of these vacancies please contact Mrs Raelene Robinson for a position description. Phone 4936 1973 or 0438 361 972. Email: regiftfund@gmail.com

Last Date for applications 18th November, 2013
Interviews will be held on 29th November, 2013
Employment to commence February 2014

Cantata at South Rockhampton

'Celebrate the Child'

7.30pm Saturday November 30 and Sunday December 1

MWANDI FIRE

In speaking to Kathy from *UnitingWorld* in Sydney, the fire last week has been devastating, particularly for the expats working in the community. Their base needs to get things running are about $3,500. Some funding has already gone from *UnitingWorld*.

I realize that you have all contributed enormously already but if anyone wishes to continue to give please place your envelope in the offering plate.

Rev Glenn.

Prayers in response to Luke 18:9-14

We give thanks for -

- *Jesus' exposure to religious pride,*
- *Jesus' approval of contrition when approaching God,*
- *God's blessing on those who are penitent.*

We pray for -

- *discipline in controlling pride when talking about other people' religious beliefs,*
- *worship which encourages contrition,*
- *awareness of the holiness of God.*

We give thanks for –

- *awareness of our own inadequate understanding of God,*
- *Scripture which exposes our sinfulness,*
- *redemption through grace.*

We pray for –

- *young people learning to understand themselves,*
- *Christians who have stopped studying the Scriptures,*
- *people who try to justify themselves at the expense of others.*

We give thanks for -

- *friends who deflate our egos,*
- *nature's ability to remind us of human limitations,*
- *volunteers who give humble service.*

We pray for –

- *journalist and talkback radio hosts,*
- *the Indonesian Christian Church, a partner church of the Uniting Church in Australia,*
- *the people and churches of the Indian Ocean Islands, Comoros, Madagascar, the Maldives, Mauritius, and the Seychelles.*

Prayer: *Holy and Merciful God,*
whose Son was condemned by those
who believed they did your will,
deliver us from the pride that believes
it knows all there is to know about you,
and holds the opinions of others in contempt,
so that we may walk humbly in your ways,
to the glory of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Pray for partners in prayer at Jerusalem United Church, Rev Wezi Manda, Pastor Percy, Deaconess Josephine Kabanda, children and staff at Orphans and Vulnerable Children Project, Mwandi, Zambia.

DID YOU KNOW?

Today the ecumenical prayer cycle invites us to pray for the island nations in the Indian Ocean.

Comoros consists of a group of islands off the southern African coast near the northern part of the island of Madagascar. It has a total area of 2,235 sq km and a population of about 800,000 people of whom 98% are Sunni Muslim and 2% Christian.

Madagascar is an island off southern Africa with an area of 587,041 sq km which is roughly the equivalent of an area of twice the combined size of Tasmania and Victoria. It has a population of about 22 million people, a shade less than Australia's population. 52% of the people follow traditional beliefs, 41% Christians and 7% Muslim.

The Maldives are a group of coral atolls south-southwest of India with an area of 298 sq km and a population of about 400,00 people who are Sunni Muslims.

Mauritius is an island east of Madagascar with an area of 2,040 sq km, and a population in excess of 1.3 million people, 48% of whom are Hindu, 23.6% Roman Catholic, 16.6% Muslim, 8.6% other Christians, 2.5% other faiths, and 0.4% have no religious beliefs.

The Seychelles is an archipelago north east of Madagascar with a total land area of 455 sq km and a population of about 90,000 people of whom 82.3% are Roman Catholic, 6.4% Anglican, 1.1% Seventh Day Adventist, 3.4% other Christians, 2.1% Hindu, 1.1% Muslim, 1.5% other non-Christian beliefs, 1.5% unspecified and 0.6% have no religious beliefs.

The Presbytery of Central Queensland is meeting at South Rockhampton Friday 8 – Sunday 10 November 2013

Sunday 10 November – Presbytery Service at 9am

This is a combined morning service at South Rockhampton

All are welcome

POSITION VACANT

Applications are invited for the position of
Part-time Parish Office Secretary – of the Parish of Rockhampton South of the Uniting Church in Australia

It is expected that the successful Applicant would commence duties on **Tuesday 21st January 2014.**

Conditions of Employment are in accordance with the **Clerks – Private Sector Award – 2010 – Casual position.**

Standard Hours of work are 9.00am to 12 Noon each Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – minimum 12 hours per week – unless otherwise agreed.

Duties include: Carrying out Reception and Telephone activities, general administration tasks including the use of Microsoft Office applications, carrying out receipting and banking procedures.

Position Requirements: Good interpersonal and communication skills, sound computer skills including Microsoft Office (Outlook, Word, Excel), understanding of banking procedures, ability to maintain confidentiality.

Applications to be addressed **(MARKED CONFIDENTIAL)** to –

The Secretary, Parish Council
Parish of Rockhampton South,
The Uniting Church in Australia
PO Box 8028
ALLENSTOWN Q4700

UPDATE : PRESBYTERY BILLETS

Thank you to all who have indicated their willingness to billet a CQ Presbytery Representative/s over the weekend of 8th, 9th, 10th November.

We are still waiting for all Presbytery Registrations to be received, when we can begin to match the Representative/s with their Host family. Our aim would be to advise you of your Guest Representative/s on the weekend of 3rd November.

We trust that this experience will bring great blessings to both the Host Family and also the Guest Representative/s.

For further details speak to -
Kath Hooper 4927 3083 Aurilea Augustine 4922 1080
Evan Hooper 4927 3083 / Mobile 0429 706 897