

## A. Prayer Points

- i. Pray for the Proctor, Coombes and Bruncker families in their time of mourning. Pray for Beth, Lindy and any others known to you with illnesses;
- ii. Please also remember those with ongoing health issues-physical, mental, addictions, medical tests, chronic conditions, etc;
- iii. Pray for our missionaries: the Harden's (Interserve) & the Andersen's (OM) in central Asia, and Tanya Johnson (Wycliffe) in Victoria. An update link from Tanya is below;
- iv. Pray for rain in our district where this year rainfall has been below average;
- v. Pray for our health professionals and for a fast, widespread and equitable rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine;
- vi. Pray for new mums and mums-to-be;
- vii. Remember our Queensland Police Service on National Police Remembrance Day (see B. below);
- viii. Pray for all those touched by the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 11<sup>th</sup> September in New York;
- ix. Pray for Suzy Sitton as she settles into Proserpine/Whitsunday Uniting Church as its new minister;
- x. VAD legislation has passed through the Queensland parliament. There will be issues for faith based health service providers, pray for a way ahead for them;
- xi. Give thanks for the two Emmaus walks, and especially for those involved through this church;
- xii. Pray for those travelling by air, land or water during this school holiday period;
- xiii. Pray for all those associated with the recent coal mining accident at the Gregory mine; and
- xiv. Give thanks for our outreach at the Twilight Markets (see below).

## B. A Table of Some Coming Events

Date	Activity	Leader	Venue	Sermon Text	Notes
Fri 17 Sep	Prayer meeting, 11.30 am		Church hall		COVID-19 face to face activity.
Sun 19 Sep	Public worship and communion, 10.00 am	Jim	Church	Hebrews 1	COVID-19 face to face activity. Apostles Creed IV
Tue 21 Sep	W&PC meeting, 7.15 for 7.30 pm		Office under manse		
Fri 24 Sep	Prayer meeting, 11.30 am		Church hall		COVID-19 face to face activity.
Sun 26 Sep	Public worship, 10.00 am	Jim	Church	Matthew 1:18-25	COVID-19 face to face activity. Apostles Creed V
Wed 29 Sep	National Police Remembrance Day service, 10.30 am		St Pat's Catholic Church		Light lunch to follow.
Thu 30 Sep	Worship, Avalon, 2.00 pm	Jim	Avalon		COVID-19 aged care facility rules.
Fri 1 Oct	Prayer meeting, 11.30 am		Church hall		COVID-19 face to face activity.
Sun 3 Oct	Public worship and communion, 10.00 am	Jim	Church	Matthew 27:11-26	COVID-19 face to face activity. Father's Day Apostles Creed VI
	Fellowship lunch after church	?	Church hall (tbc)		COVID-19 face to face activity. Shared food.

## C. Livestream Link

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September: <https://youtu.be/ynlhVdw5l5o>

### D. 'Rural Reflections'

There is one copy of this book of devotions for rural Australia produced by Emerald Lutheran Church left at Emerald Lutheran Church. The cost is \$20.00.

Please see Jane if you are interested.

## **E. Tanya Johnson Update (email 9 Sep 21)**

“Can you please pray for my car? I am having some car issues and took it to a mechanic twice this past week. They did a very thorough job of searching for the issue and have even called a number of specialists to try and find the problem. Each time they have had it, they somehow 'fixed' it but within 1-2 days the issue would come back. I have just returned from driving it to the shops and the issue has returned yet again and I think it is getting worse based on what happened tonight.

“My car is not that old. It is a 2015 Suzuki Swift that had only 15,000kms on it when I got it about nine months before COVID hit (I think I got it July 2019). I was blessed by a supporter who bought it for me, and I am frustrated and a little saddened that we have not been able to find the issue so far.

“Please pray that they can find the issue and that it is solved quickly, easily and cheaply.”

<https://tanyasjourneywithgodinmission.blogspot.com/2021/08/lockdown-5no6no-waitis-it-number-7-yet.html>

## **F. Twilight Markets**

The Twilight Markets were held on Saturday evening, 11<sup>th</sup> September, in Egerton Street. We were given a place next to *Our Rainbow House*, as we requested! At those markets we distributed approximately two hundred bottles of water, with a verse of scripture attached to each. Quite a number of people contributed to success of this activity, but mention should be made of Tony who assumed the coordinating role. At a time when COVID-19 limits or curtails much of what we can do, activities like this are precious indeed. Photos are elsewhere in this bulletin.

## **G. Manse Painting**

When you next come to church, glance toward the east, at the manse. The painter is well into his work! A lot of surface preparation has been required, given the cracked and flaky state of the existing paint. But adequate surface preparation is a prerequisite for any quality finished paint job; please watch as the painter (Quinton) progresses, and the house's new colours emerge. A future edition of the bulletin will feature a montage of before-and-after photos.

## **H. Lost Moderator's Medal**

Jim received a phone call from Bev Currie, a long standing member of the Sarina church and the Presbytery of Central Queensland. Bev was presented with a moderator's medal in 2019 for her services to Lifeline for over thirty years. She had that medal at the presbytery meeting held in Emerald in April that year. She has recently searched unsuccessfully for it and recalls the last time she definitely knew it was in her possession was at that meeting, where it was shown to others. If you can recall any time Bev may have had it or passed it to others for show, please talk to Jim.

## **I. 2021 Central Highlands Business Excellence Awards**

People associated with two winners of the 2021 Central Highlands Business Excellence Awards, announced at a Gala Dinner in Emerald on 11<sup>th</sup> September, we know well:

Kestrel Coal Resources Construction and Trade Award: **Patrick Refrigeration**

4t Consultants Professional and Business Services Award: **Maraboon Veterinary Surgery (Sutherland and Reynolds).**

Congratulations!