Nambour Retirement Village Services

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CHURCH

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Service Roster

FOR TODAY

1st November 2020 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Minister: Rev Ian Stehbens

Music: Nola

Readers: Helen Staines, Betty Jenkins

Prayers: Rev Ian Stehbens
Data Projector: Alison Hall
Sound system: Linda Woodward
Offering: Retiring offering will be in

place until further notice

Welcome: Linda & Ian Woodward, Graham & Anne Kent, Lyn Metelerkamp

Minister & Pastoral Care

Rev Ian Stehbens 0477 160 578 **Additional Pastoral Care Ministry**

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THE BIRTHDAY BOOK FOR THIS WEEK

- Anne Kent
- 5 Sheneen Carlson
- 6 Heather Davies

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Anne, Sheneen & Heather

Attending worship confirms that you do not have COVID-19, or symptoms associated with COVID-19, or awaiting results from a COVID-19 test, or have been to a designated 'hotspot', or have not been in contact with any known or suspected cases of COVID-19, or that you have been in contact with anyone who has travelled from overseas in the past 14 days. You are aware that people aged 70 and over, and people with chronic medical conditions are at a greater risk of serious illness by involvement in public group places.



Nambour Uniting Church

9AM Sunday Worship Service

We are called to be evidence of God's love breaking into the world

Sunday 1st November 2020 All Saints Day

Called to be Saints - 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

While much of the liturgy and the sermon went over the little girl's head, she was fascinated by the pictures of saints adorning the stained-glass windows. When asked later what a saint was, she said, "Saints are people that the light shines through." Is there a better answer than that! Saints are people that the light of Christ shines through. Or as W.E. Sangster in his book, *The Pure in Heart*, said, after a detailed examination of the lives of many Christian saints: saints are people in whom the Spirit of God resides. He wrote, "While every saint is unique, there is something they all have in common": they show the fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Literally saints are holy people, but only God is truly holy. Holiness comes through association with God. Those who are united with Christ through faith can be regarded as holy, not by their own efforts but by the Spirit of Christ within them. Self-achieved holiness gives holy a bad name.

As with Christians of New Testament times, we are all called to be saints. Through our faith relationship with Christ, we are saints and also saints-in-the-making. Some might appear to be further along in the process than others and they, whether endorsed by the institutional church or simply significant to our own personal Christian journey, inspire and encourage us as role-models or heroes of the faith.

While on this All Saints Day we give thanks for saints that have inspired and encouraged us in our faith, lets also respond, in humility, to Christ's call to live as the saints he calls us to be.

- How important are good role-models for young people growing up?
- Who has been to you a role-model or hero in the Christian faith?
- What do you think of this: "Self-achieved holiness gives holy a bad name"?
- If only God is holy, how come we talk about the Bible or the Church being holy?

Rev Ron Potter - piulapublications.com

Nambour Uniting Church Welcome to Sunday Worship – HOLY COMMUNION

Rev Ian Stehbens welcomes you to worship. We accept all who gather to worship in peace, with an invitation to pray and reflect in the Prayer Chapel at any time our Church is open.

May the peace of the Lord be with you

TODAY, welcome to Rev Ian Stehbens, who returns from a well-earned break. Our Church thanks Rev Graham Warne and Rev Peter Hall for guiding our congregation over the last three Sundays

As we share in the sacrament, we pray that the Holy Spirit may move among us that the gifts of bread and wine may be for us the body of Christ, and as we receive grace we may become for Body of Christ, fed and strengthened by the Spirit's love.

I like the way St Luke constructs this for us.

In his first book, he writes about all that Jesus BEGAN to do and to teach, and in so doing he portrays the conception of Jesus in the womb of Mary by the Holy Spirit. Jesus is born, is anointed and filled by the Holy Spirit as a declaration of the love of God, and he grows in the spirit, ministers in the power of the spirit, and at the end of his suffering gives up the Spirit on the cross – no that isn't the end - for He is raised by the same Spirit.

In his second book, The Acts of the Apostles, Luke writes about the church in exactly the same vein. The church is conceived by the Holy Spirit, is born out of the womb of Jerusalem, is anointed by the Holy Spirit, this filling being a declaration of the love of God. The church ministers in the power of the Spirit and is engaged in a transformation of the world.

Jesus and the Holy Spirit are inextricably enmeshed, one cannot be separated from the other.

So too the church. Rev Ian Stehbens

Anne Kent is having a big birthday

After spending the years of World War 2 in occupied Holland, migrating to Canada then to Australia, the lovely and talented Anne Kent is turning 80 on the 2nd November. Anne is celebrating with family on the Gold Coast this weekend. If the first 80 years were pretty good, the next 80 years should be terrific, Happy Birthday!!

Daily readings for this week

- Sunday, November 1, 2020: Matthew 23: 1-12 and Matthew 5: 1-12
- Monday, November 2, 2020: 1 Thessalonians 2:13-20
- Tuesday, November 3, 2020: Acts 13:1-12
- November 4, 2020: Matthew 15: 1-9
- Thursday, November 5, 2020: Psalm 78: 1-7
- Friday, November 6, 2020: Psalm 70
- Saturday, November 7, 2020: Matthew 24: 1-14

Coming to church 8 November 2020

Jeanette and Rev Graham Warne will be away for Sunday the 8th November Can you please contact Linda Woodward during the week if you need to register that you are coming to Church for the Sunday Worship Service on 5441 1069 or by email - loulouwoodie1@hotmail.com

If you have registered with Jeanette and are not able to come, please contact Linda, even at short notice, so someone who may be on the waiting list can attend. Please be considerate to all members of the Congregation and all those who are responsible for organising our worship services to ensure we are complying to the regulations.