Nambour Retirement Village Services

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CHURCH

37-39 Coronation Avenue Nambour OLD 4560

opposite Nambour State College

THE

BIRTHDAY

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Helen and Graham!!

Helen Staines

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Service Roster

FOR TODAY 7th March 2021 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Music: Jenny and John Thomas

Readers: Daphne Heaton,

Prayers: Sheila Hodges Data Projector: Alison Hall

Welcome: Our great welcoming team

Minister: Rev Glenn Ingram

Helen Staines

Sound system: Linda Woodward **Offering:** Weekly retiring offering

Pastoral Care Ministry

Rev Graham Warne 5478 9747 Eva Donaldson 5441 3381

Congregation Chairperson

Ian Woodward 5441 1069

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Please remember.

attending worship affirms 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. Please be aware that persons aged 70 and over, and people with chronic medical conditions are at a greater risk of serious illness by involvement in public group places. We all must still be attentive to guidelines directed by health professionals as much as we can.



Nambour Uniting Church

9AM Sunday Worship Service

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

Sunday 7th March 2021

The God Story - 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Life without stories is a tree without leaves. Imagination clothes bare bones. Myths, legends, stories and folktales are life-signals in any community – think of family, school, team or nation.

God comes to us in the context of story, but what sort of a story is it? For some it's a mystery, a great insoluble mystery story only to be solved by superior wisdom and intellect. That was the way of the ancient Greeks. For others, it is a spectacular story of wonder and power to be seen in miracles that defy the laws of nature. That's the kind of story for many in ancient Israel.

But, Paul, in 1 Corinthians, insists that it is through a great love story that it is to be told, a love-story of sacrifice and self-giving reaching its climax in the crucifixion of the Christ.

How are we to present God's story today? Not as the solution to an intellectual conundrum, a puzzle to be solved; not as the performer who does incredible tricks that astound and surprise; and not as the Great Avenger out to destroy and to punish. If true to the Gospel, it is a story of humble self-giving, crucified love. A story like that cannot just be told; it has to be dramatized. The story-teller has to act it out. And it cannot be told from a position of superiority or arrogance. Nor can it be told out of rivalry in a competitive approach with others as Paul told the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 1:10-17). After all, we are not just tellers of the story, we become the story for others around us.

- How was God first presented to you, or, in other words, what was the part that God played in the stories told to you as a child?
- How do we turn God into a puzzle to be solved or a miracle to amaze us?
- Why, according to 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, did Paul centre his message on Christ crucified?
- If the message of Christ crucified lies at the centre of the Gospel, what then follows for us in our living of the Christian life and in telling others about it? Rev Ron Potter piulapublications.com

Nambour Uniting Church Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service

The Nambour congregation welcomes everyone to worship. Please welcome Rev Glenn Ingram.

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

Please make very welcome our attending minister Rev Glenn Ingram and his lovely wife Anne Third Sunday in Lent

Rev Glenn is leading our service today
- 10 Commandments or 10 suggestions Our Church will have the pleasure of Rev Glenn Ingram
for the 1st, 2nd and 4th Worship Sundays
and on the 3rd Worship Sunday, Pastor Margaret Niethe.



Readings for today
Exodus 29:1-17
John 2:13-22



Activities in our Church this week; TODAY Sunday 7th March 2021 Sunday Worship Service 9AM Alcoholics Anonymous6PM-8PM Monday

Sunshine Linus 8.30AM-2.30PM Tuesday

> Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon Bible study group 9.30AM-10.30AM Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM

Wednesday

Alcoholics Anonymous 5.30PM-8PM Thursday

Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM Saturday 13th March 2021 Narcotics Australia 6PM-9PM

MARCH 2021 NEXUS MONTHLY JOURNAL IS OUT NOW!!!

Our publication of the NeXus Monthly Journal
Has been printed for the month of March 2021
And is in the foyer for collection.
The theme is Lent Leading Up To Easter.
Calling all pastoral carers, can you please take a copy for the people on your list for hand delivery.

The True Temple

In today's readings, Jesus's identity as the true Temple is revealed. In driving out the money changers, the true temple purifies the old one.

Why was Jesus so angry in the Gospel of John? Why was he so motivated that he made a whip and used it to drive people and their animals out of the temple? The event can only be understood against the background of the understanding Jesus had about who he was and what he was about to do. Jesus sees Judaism with its Passovers and sacrifices to be at an end. Even the temple itself was of no more value. Instead, it was his death which would end all deaths, his body which would represent the visible representation of God being with his people. There would be no more need of the religious trappings, that was the old order and now a new order had come.