#### Nambour Village Services May 2024

20 May

Rotary

Rev Maile

2.00PM

# Nambour Weekly US

## **Nambour Uniting Church**

9AM Sunday Worship Service

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

## **SUNDAY 12 May 2024**

#### Easter 7

Collect: O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Saviour Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting, Amen.

#### From the desk of the minister: Sent into the world

This is a prayer of Jesus for his disciples. Jesus knew that his time on earth is running out. He will be soon going back to his Father but his heart is with his followers to make sure that they will be able to cope with the pressure of the world. In 2 Corinthians 6:17-18, St. Paul is instructing the church in Corinth to avoid partnership with unbelievers, while in our Gospel reading from John, Jesus is emphasising that believers remain in the world, while not belonging to the world. It's a complicated proposition, but both admonitions are true.

We are often told as children not to befriend bad kids because they may influence your good behaviours. But in a way, we are also told to be lights for Jesus among the lost children at school. Hate is mentioned in v.14 because the world will hate Jesus and his disciples. Why they are hated? Because of what they are doing is against the world. In our reading today, Jesus is praying for his disciples to continue on with the mission of God. The mission of God is in the world, you remain in the world and God will protect you from the evil one.

We are reminded also that the message to the disciples, is also the message for all believers. We are sent into the world to tell the good news to others.

Telling good news to others is not easy because you have to be firm in where you stand in your faith. Are you talking to the lost and unbelievers whilst also rejecting their lifestyle? There is always a warning here - the world won't be very appreciative of the fact that you're living differently, but God will welcome you. Ascension has happened on Thursday, but we are waiting to the coming of the Holy Spirit to empower all those who are going out into the world to tell the Good News of God. Are we reflecting deeply on what it means to be immersed in the life of the world and yet engaged with the life of Christ?

Grace & Peace, Rev Maile

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Service Roster

### 12 May 2024 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Minister: Rev Maile Molitika

Music: Jenny and John Thomas

Readers: Jimmy Stewart, Helen Staines

Prayers: Ian Woodward

Data Projector: Alison Hall

**Sound System:** 

**Offering:** Weekly retiring offering **Welcome**: Our great welcoming team

#### **Ministry**

Rev Maile Molitika 0425 378 174

#### **Pastoral Care Ministry**

Rev Graham Warne 5478 9747

#### **Congregation Chairperson**

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AFTER 9AM to 2PM Jimmy 0411 314 306

# THE BIRTHDAY BOOK

13 Ros Dean

15 Ian Woodward

16 Ian Brown

17 Estelle Charlish

18 John Thomas

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

# VANDERBILT LECTIONARY NEXT SUNDAY

19 May 2024

#### DAY OF PENTECOST

Acts 2:1-21,

Romans 8:22-27,

John 15:26-27 & 16:4b-15,

Psalm 104:24-34 & 35b,

Ezekiel 37:1-14.

# Nambour Uniting Church Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service

Our Nambour congregation welcomes everyone to worship.

Please accept all who gather to worship in peace and hope,
with an invitation to pray and reflect in the Prayer Chapel at any time our Church is open.

#### Our Sunday Worship Service will be led by Rev Maile Molitika

Please pray for Rev Maile, Siale and family, also pray for our Nambour congregation.

#### **TODAY Sunday 12 May 2024 MOTHERS DAY**

Happy Mothers Day to all the mum's on this great day. We cherish our mothers as look to them for love and guidance (even after we have moved away from the family home). Please share your respect for all women, as we pray for those affected by domestic violence; give your mum the gift of love, say to her "I love you mum". Then you shall be given a gift, seeing the brightness in her eyes, with her gift of love returning to you tenfold. Happy Mothers Day!!!

#### When volunteering please lock the door

Recent events interstate have reminded us of the necessity to be aware of personal safety at all times. Please lock the entry doors if you are in the church or hall by yourself or in a small group. Also sign in on the volunteer book on the kitchen bench. Thank you so much for the work each of you do in helping to maintain our buildings and the life of our Congregation.

Church Council

#### **Proverbs for Daily Living –**

- 1. "True union can very well reached with God's help, if we make the effort to obtain it by keeping our wills fixed only on that which is God's will." *Ralph Martin*
- 2. "God is great not just because nothing is too big for Him. God is great because nothing is too small for Him either."

Mark Patterson

12 May 2024 VANDERBILT LECTIONARY SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

> Acts 1:15-17 & 21-26, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19, Psalm 1.

#### This Wednesday 15 May 2024 Church Cuppa Club

We invite everyone to have a fellowship cuppa at Cosy Creek Café, 87-91 Coes Creek Rd, Coes Creek Road at 10AM. Bring your friendship, a big smile and it will be lovely to see you; and bring a friend if you like. If all goes well, this will be a weekly event each Wednesday at different venues.

#### **Activities in our Church this week:**

Sunday 12 May Sunday Worship Service 9AM

Monday Nambour Garden Club 8AM-12noon

Tuesday Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon

Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM

Wednesday Nambour Floral Art Society 8AM-12noon

Narcotics Australia 6.30PM-8.30PM

Thursday Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon

Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM

Saturday 18 May Narcotics Australia 6PM-9PM