	Nambour Village Services May 2024		
5 May	Bowder	Rev Maile	11.00AM
20 May	Rotary	Rev Maile	2.00PM

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### Service Roster 5 May 2024 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

#### Minister: Rev Maile Molitika Music: Margaret Readers: Sheila Hodges, Linda Woodward Prayers: Rev Maile Data Projector: Alison Hall Sound System:

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### THE BIRTHDAY BOOK

No birthdays this week, so let us celebrate the gift of saving life that **doctors and nurses** have been bestowed with, by the grace of God.

VANDERBILT LECTIONARY <u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> 12 May 2024 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 1:15-17 & 21-26, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19, Psalm 1.



# Nambour Uniting Church

9AM Sunday Worship Service

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

## **SUNDAY 5 May 2024**

Easter 6 Grace & peace, Rev Maile Collect: O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, Amen. From the desk of the minister: Abiding in God our Friend "I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you." (John 15:15) When we approach our careers in the right way, we can take a great joy in what we do for a living. If we do something for our friends, we feel great when we have done our best to help our friends. There is always happiness when you have given a hand to your friends in need. Whether getting your hands dirty in simple tasks like helping a friend move or spending time in the garden. Sometimes, all we need to do is listen with attentive ears to a friend who is seeking help from you. Sometimes he/she wants to let out his/her story and seek help from you.

There is a Proverb that says: "A friend in need is a friend in deed." It means a true friend is someone who helps you when you are in trouble rather than leaving you to fend for yourself. When we come to our reading from the gospel today, we are told about our greatest friend Jesus, who demonstrated His love for His friends by laying down His own life for us. When we walk closely with him, listen to him, and follow his leading, He calls us his own friends. It is right to say that each and every one of us has friends but not everyone is the same. Some are good and some are not genuine friends. Soon or later we will be able to differentiate them in their actions. The good friends will always be at our side no matter what! Jesus is the loving friend that never forsakes us nor abandons us in our journey of life. Jesus said to the disciples, "You are my friends if you do what I command." "I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my father I have made known to you."

There is no secret when Jesus becomes our friend. He reveals his will and we must obey his command to keep our friendship. Who is your best friend? Let us all witness and confirm that Jesus is our abiding friend from time to eternity.

# Nambour Uniting Church<br/>Welcome to our Sunday Worship ServiceOur Nambour congregation welcomes everyone to worship.<br/>Please accept all who gather to worship in peace and hope,<br/>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<br/>Please pray for Rev Maile, Siale and family, also pray for our Nambour congregation.

This month of May is dedicated to family

In the Kingdom of Tonga, the first Sunday in May is referred to as **Children's Sunday**, and the following two Sundays are celebrated as **Mother's Day** and **Father's Day** respectively. Family and children have always played a crucial role in the Tongan society. Respect for family is an influential and vital aspect of every Tongan's life, with family as the central unit of Tongan life with a distinct hierarchy. Although children are below their parents and grandparents in the family hierarchy, they are still treated with good respect. <u>Pray these words for your children</u>, all your offspring; **"God, help my children to love justice as you do and to act justly in all they do"** (Psalm 11:7, Micah 6:8), **"May my children always be merciful, just as their Father God is merciful"** (Luke 6:36), **"Father, grant that my children may show proper respect** 

to everyone, as your Word commands" (1 Peter 2:17).

### **Proverbs for Daily Living** –

"If your 'theology' doesn't result in more kindness, more grace, and more love for your fellow human, then it is not the theology of Jesus" Zach W Lambert
"It is during the most trying times in life that we get to see who our real friends are." Germany Kent

### 5 May 2024 VANDERBILT LECTIONARY SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER



Acts 10:44-48; 1 John 5:1-6, HOLY John 15:9-17, COMMUNION Psalm 98.

### Next Week Sunday 12 May 2024 MOTHERS DAY

Dear Lord, there are few things more powerful than the faithful prayers of a righteous mother. The work of a mother is hard, too often unheralded work. Please know that it is worth it then, now, and forevermore, Amen.

### Activities in our Church this week;

Sunday 5 May	Sunday Worship Service 9AM
Monday	QLD Labour Day celebration
Tuesday	Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon
	Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM
Wednesday	Tai Chi 8.30AM-10.30AM
	Narcotics Australia 6.30PM-8.30PM
Thursday	Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon
	Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM
Friday	Sunshine Coast Arts & Crafts 9AM-12noon
Saturday 11 May	Narcotics Australia 6PM-9PM