

November '24



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QUEENSLAND SYNOD
MARYBOROUGH PARISH

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Making Christ Visible

Maryborough Church

Services

SUNDAY 3rd

Girls' Brigade Parade

COMMUNION

9:00am St. Stephen's Church – Rev Delma

READINGS: Ru 1:1-18 Ps 146
Heb 9:11-14 Mk 12:28-34

SUNDAY 10th

9:00am St. Stephen's Church - Rev Delma

READINGS: Ru 3:1-5, 4:13-17 Ps 127
Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

SUNDAY 17th

9:00am St. Stephen's Church - Rev Delma

READINGS: 1 Sm 1:4-20 1 Sm 2:1-10
Heb 10:11-14, Mk 13:1-8
(15-18), 19-25

THURSDAY 21st Memorial Service

3:00pm Chelsea Retirement Living Community Hall
with Rev Delma

SUNDAY 24th

9:00am St. Stephen's Church - Rev Delma

READINGS: 2 Sm 23:1-7 Ps 132:1-12, (13-18)
Rv 1:4b-8 Jn 18:33-37

SATURDAY 30th

November Noel SPECIAL HYMNS SERVICE

6:00pm St. Stephen's Church – [Christmas Carols]

Country Church Services

SUNDAY 17th

Memorial Service

2:00pm Bauple Home Group- Rev Delma

Have you got a notice to share?

**Submissions for inclusion in
the December '24/ January '25
Bulletin end 29th November**

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends

Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honouring each other. (Romans 12:9-10 NLT)

Paul tells us to go a second mile and beyond with our love. Now I know it is not easy to love others when they have done something that causes grief to us or to others. But Paul challenges us not to pretend to love others. We are to hate the wrong thing they may have done but to hold tightly to what is good about that person. We all have good qualities and we all have some not so good qualities. It can be all too easy to forget that and so not find the good in another person who may irritate us or cause us grief. What does love mean to you? Do you sometimes struggle to find the good in people or the things that are happening in the world? In our family we have a tradition at the dinner table where I say grace and then we ask each other to name something we are thankful for that day. Sometimes it is easy to name several things without much effort and sometimes it is a struggle to even think of one thing. If we dig deeply we can always find one thing even if it is as simple as: "I give thanks that I have food to eat."

MINISTER'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

The Bible passage from Romans gives a challenging message on loving others. I was having a conversation with someone recently about relationships when they quoted: The first commandment is "you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength." The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'" (Mark 12:30-31 NLT). My response was that the only problem is that so often we treat others badly as we do not always treat ourselves well or love ourselves as we need to. When we love ourselves our love overflows to those around us. This outpouring of love can change the world. It is the love of Jesus, looking past the imperfections of others to see the good inside. We all have times, particularly when there is a lot going on in our lives, that we don't handle things as we would when life is going along smoothly. God is a God of love and forgiveness. How often do we forgive others? Jesus says seventy times seven (Matthew 18:22 NLT). Now that is a challenge indeed. Let us be challenged to look for the good in others and show them the love of Jesus, 'making Christ visible.'

I now share with you a prayer I wrote in October 2021 that was included in Synod's Uniting News: Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you into a ministry of reconciling people to God and to one another, to be peacemakers in our world. Paul reminds us: "Do everything possible on your part to live in peace with everybody" (Romans 12:18 GNT). But Lord, this is not easy. Sometimes we want to be in control and ignore what you are calling us to do and we neglect opportunities to bring your peace into a situation. Please help us Lord, open our hearts to your will. Renew our minds and open our eyes to new possibilities. Refresh us and renew us so that we can begin again, pouring out your love into the lives of our families, friends, people in our communities and within your body, the Church. Encourage and strengthen us to help bring peace into a fractured, hurting world. Amen.



Blessings
Rev Delma Lovell

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING

On Sunday 24th November 2024, the Annual Congregation Meeting will be held following service.

The following nominations for Leadership Positions have been received:

- CONGREGATION CHAIR: (1year) Bruce Grant
- CONGREGATION SECRETARY: (1year) Robyn Lowe
- ELDER: (1year) Linda James

If you would like to direct deposit, the details are:

Branch: **BSB 014010**

Account: **Uniting Church Maryborough**

Account number: **3873 956 67**

Thank you for prayerfully considering these options to support the work of the Church

BREAKFAST MINISTRY

Anyone wishing to direct deposit their donation to the Breakfast Ministry, the details are:

BSB – 014-665

ACC- 4250-44594

Lifeline
BOOKFEST
Lose yourself

Dates: Thursday 7, Friday 8, Saturday 9 November 2024

Times: 8:00am to 4:00pm Thurs - Sat

Venue: Maryborough Showgrounds

On sale: *Books, CDs, DVDs, Games, Puzzles, Lego, Anime, & Marvel*

Categories: *Large range of books, Fantasy Sci-Fi and Horror, True Life, Reference, Foreign Language, Health and Family, Art & Religion, Travel & Sport, Anime & Marvel*

*Prices: start at 50 cents * Sausage Sizzle and Cold Drinks Available*

*Free Entry * Parking available * Amenities Onsite*

Raising funds for the Lifeline 13 11 14 Crisis Support line

Connect100+ Uniting for Mental Health



Parish Christmas Luncheon

SAVE THE DATE

November 28th, 2024

@ The Maryborough Services and Citizens Memorial Club

DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Raising funds to assist 2nd Maryborough
Girls' Brigade Company --- a Christian
Youth Group for girls aged Prep to Year 12



MONSTER

CHRISTMAS TOMBOLA

SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2024

UNITING CHURCH HALL - WESLEY AUDITORIUM



21 SUSSEX STREET MARYBOROUGH



Doors open at 11.30am First Call at 1pm



Snacks, Light Lunch & drinks
from 11.30am



Lots of prizes - Christmas Goodies, Crafts, Cookery,
Plants, Groceries, Novelties, Patchwork Crafts,
Toiletries, Homewares, Toys and much more.

Raffles & Lucky Door Prizes - Afternoon Tea provided.

For more information phone Nalda Brett 0407628072

REJOICE PRAISE SING

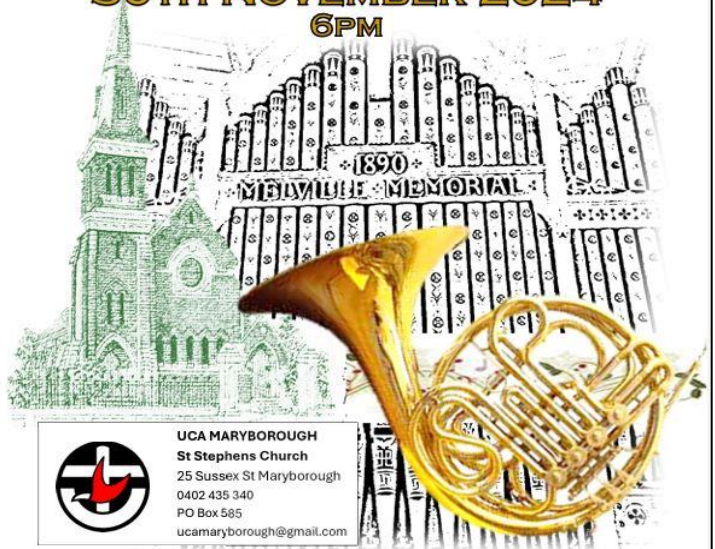
November Noel

featuring the Melville Memorial Organ & Maryborough Brass

SATURDAY

SAVE THE DATE

30TH NOVEMBER 2024
6PM



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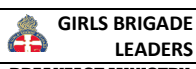







SAFEMINISTRY
with children






CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Our Church is a drop off point for
your cans and plastic bottles as
we are already registered to
receive 10c an item.

Date Claimers November 2024

PRAYER MEETING	Monday 4th @ 8:30am prayer meeting in St Stephen's Church
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	Tuesday 5th @ 6am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 5th @ 9:30am "Chatty Tuesdays". Wesley Auditorium.
	Tuesday 5th @ 6pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium & Hall. Cadets 6.00pm – 7:30pm / Upper Section 6.00pm – 8.00 pm
	Thursday 7th – Friday 9th @ Maryborough Showgrounds LifeLine Bookfest
PRESBYTERY	8-10 November Mary Burnett Presbytery Live-in Meeting @ Campialba Hervey Bay
PRAYER MEETING	Monday 11th @ 8:30am prayer meeting in St Stephen's Church
	Monday 11th @ 5:30pm Parish Tea at Maryborough Services and Citizens Memorial Club (formerly Maryborough RSL) Please RSVP your attendance to Nalda Brett on 0407 628 072 before 10.00am on that day.
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	Tuesday 12th @ 6am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 12th @ 9:30am "Chatty Tuesdays". Wesley Auditorium.
	Tuesday 12th @ 6pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium Cadets 6.00pm – 7:30pm / Upper Section 6.00pm – 8.00 pm
	Wednesday 13th @11:30am - 1:30pm BlueCare's Memory Support Cafe Wesley Auditorium, 21 Sussex St. Supporting those who care for someone with dementia.
	Thursday 14th @ 1pm – 3pm MUCAF (Maryborough Uniting Church Adult Fellowship) Meeting
	Friday 15th Girls' Brigade MONSTER CHRISTMAS TOMBOLA Setup
	Saturday 16th Girls' Brigade MONSTER CHRISTMAS TOMBOLA
PRAYER MEETING	Monday 18th @ 8:30am prayer meeting in St Stephen's Church
	Monday 18th @ 6.30pm Girls Brigade Leaders Meeting _ Wesley Auditorium
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	Tuesday 19th @ 6am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 19th @ 9:30am "Chatty Tuesdays". Wesley Auditorium.
	Tuesday 19th @ 2:30pm BOOKS 'n COFFEE_ Wesley Auditorium
	Tuesday 19th @ 6pm Girls Brigade Awards Night. Wesley Auditorium & Hall. Cadets 6.00pm – 7:30pm / Upper Section 6.00pm – 8.00 pm
	Thursday 21st @ 3pm Church service @ Chelsea Retirement Living Community Hall
ANNUAL MEETING	Sunday 24th following service ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING
PRAYER MEETING	Monday 25th @ 8:30am prayer meeting in St Stephen's Church
	Monday 25th @ 4.30pm – Leaders Council Meeting in Wesley Auditorium.
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	Tuesday 26th @ 6am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 26th @ 9:30am "Chatty Tuesdays". Wesley Auditorium.
	Tuesday 26th @ 6pm Girls Brigade End of Year Party Night
	Thursday 28th SAVE THE DATE <i>Parish Christmas Luncheon</i> @ the Maryborough Services and Citizens Memorial Club Details to Follow.
<i>November Noel</i>	Saturday 30th @ 6pm <i>November Noel.</i> *Rejoice * Praise * Sing* with us at a special Christmas hymns service featuring the Melville Memorial Pipe Organ & Maryborough Brass

Community Notices and Events

	Saturday 2nd Wishing Mrs Norma Howard a Happy 105th Birthday
	Saturday 2nd @3pm – 6pm Community Picnic Bauple @ Bauple Rec Grounds. FREE ENTRY. Live music and artist workshops. GET READY FOR DIASTER RECOVERY.
	Thursday 7th @ 9.30am - 11am St Paul's Anglican Parish presents <i>Market Day Music</i> featuring Maryborough Choral Society Ensemble