

## Anglican Parish of Charlestown

### St Alban's Charlestown, St Martin's Kahibah

A place for everyone, serving the Kingdom of God, following Jesus Christ.

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**Facing the past  
Shaping a healthy future**

**We acknowledge the Awabakal people who are the traditional custodians  
of this land we worship on today.**

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**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2018**

***Welcome to all those who are visiting us today. Please join us for refreshments after the service.***

***A special welcome and prayer to Steven James Ryman who is being baptised here today.***

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*Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and sickness. Matthew 9.35*

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**Readings;** Deuteronomy 18.15-20      Psalm 111  
1 Corinthians 8.1-13      Mark 1.21-28

**Prayer of the week**

O Lord,  
you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are worth nothing;  
send your Holy Spirit,  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you;  
Grant this for your Son Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

***Lenten Studies are planned to be held on Tuesday and Thursday at St Albans and Friday Morning at St Martins."***

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***This week at St Alban's***

**Sunday**      8.30am Eucharist  
**Monday**      5.30pm Bible study at Rigby's  
**Tuesday**      6.00pm Parish Council and Resource team meeting  
**Wednesday**      8.30am Short Morning Prayer – everyone welcome  
                         10.00am GAPS

***Read the Bible & Pray during the week;***

**(Monday)**      Psalm 69.1-16      Philippians 1.1-11  
**(Tuesday)**      Psalm 72      Philippians 1.12-20  
**(Wednesday)**      Psalm 59      Philippians 1.21-30  
**(Thursday)**      Psalm 74      Hebrews 10.1-10  
**(Friday)**      Psalm 77      Philippians 2.12-18  
**(Saturday)**      Psalm 78.16-38      Philippians 2.19-30

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**Intercessions:**

**In our Newcastle Diocese, we pray for:**

Bishop Peter Stuart and Nicki, Julia Perry (Diocesan Director of Formation)

**In the national church we pray for:**

Diocese of Riverina (Bishop Rob Gillion)

**In the wider Church, we pray for:**

The Diocese of Guadalcanal (Bp Nathan Tome & Selena), The Revd. David and Priya Morgan, Paraburdoo, Sue Prosser (Paid SRE teacher)

**In the wider community we pray for:**

The First Peoples of the Diocese especially the Awabakal, Biripi, Darkinjung, Geawegal, Kamilaroi, Worimi and Wonnarua peoples.

**In Our Church we pray for:**

We pray for Wendy and Vlad, Ruth and Bob, Terry Frewin and Karen, David Hesketh and Kim, Greg Colby and the parish council.

**We give thanks and pray for the faithful departed: (connected to our parish)**

**We pray for those in our parish who need support or have experienced loss recently:** Marj Booth

**We pray for Strength, peace and healing:**

Max and Anne Youman and family, Claire Tamlin, Melanie Ross, Linda Reed, Esther Hammond, Pryor family.

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**Someone has written these beautiful words. Must read and try to understand the deep meaning of it.**

1. Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout.
  2. A Car's WINDSHIE LD is so large & the Rear view Mirror is so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, Look Ahead and Move on.
  3. Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes few seconds to burn, but it takes years to write.
  4. All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either.
  5. Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold!
  6. Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, sweetheart, it's just a bend, not the end!"
  7. When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
  8. A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
  9. When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
  10. WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES, it takes away today's PEACE.
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***These are the nights and what we might do until end of School Holidays ;***

*29th Jan, 5th Feb –David Suchet reading St Mark’s Gospel*

*12th Feb - Parish Dinner, Pancake sweets*

*19th Feb- Lenten study, same as Parish*

*26th Feb – Lenten study*

*5th March – Lenten study*

*12th March- probably Parish Dinner*

*19th March -Lenten study*

*26th March – Lenten study*

*2nd April – Easter Monday*

*9th April- probably Parish Dinner*

*16th April- school holidays*

*23rd April - school holidays God’s Love and Peace, Bev*

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**Keep this date:** This year World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday 2nd March at the Windale Church, situated on the corner of Merrigum St and Balemo Rd Windale, commencing at 10 am.

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***Ash Wednesday services will be 8.30 am and 5.30pm on 14<sup>th</sup> February.***

***Parish Dinner & Pancakes Night, Monday 12 February 6.30pm for 7pm***

*This year we will combine the two in one night. BBQ dinner followed by pancakes for dessert. 6.30pm for 7pm. Rev’d Colby is our guest speaker.*

*RSVP Ruth Bath*

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**Next Sunday 4th February, 2018**

**Readings:** Isaiah 40.21-31      Psalm 147.1-11  
1 Corinthians 9.16-23      Mark 1.29-39

**St Albans - 8.30 am      Eucharist**  
Prayers: P. Eyre  
Reading: R. Menhenick  
Sacristan: R. Reed  
Sanctuary: R. Menhenick, K. Kear  
L.L. Ass: L. Adams  
Music: Robert  
Sound: Helen Joice  
Welcomers: D. Keatinge, R. Freeman  
Morning Tea: K. Watson, B. Roundsley  
Counting: Kath, Warren

**St Martins – 10.00 am**

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**Parish Ministry Team:**

Terry Frewin

Acting Supervising Priest

Sharon Butler:

*Building a new Faith Community*

Neville Thomas:

*Working for a Better Community*

The Rev. Ruth Brand & Brian Taylor: *Christian Formation and Discipleship*

The Rev. Robert Peattie:

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