



**St Alban's Charlestown, St Martin's Kahibah**  
**Flourishing by Grace**

A place for everyone, serving the Kingdom of God, following Jesus Christ.  
We acknowledge the Awabakal people who are the traditional custodians

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**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

*Welcome to everyone who is visiting us today. Please join us for morning tea in the hall.*

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**Revd Sally will be at Charlestown on Monday and Wednesday this week**

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**Readings;** Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18      Psalm 27  
Philippians 3.17-4.1      Luke 13.1-9

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*Our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour,  
the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 3.20*

**Prayer of the week**

*Remember, O Lord,  
what you have wrought in us  
and not what we deserve.  
and, as you have called us to your service,  
make us worthy of our calling;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

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***In Our Church we pray for Strength, Peace and Healing:*** Rev Ruth and John, Mark Ross, Pryor family, Ken Lott, Linda Reed, Esther Hammond, Betty Percival, Claire Tamlin, Glenys Conway and family, Joan Armitage and family

***We give thanks and pray for the faithful departed: (connected to our parish)***  
Shirley Agland, Georgina Belinda Campbell.

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***Revd Sally's Bit...***

As I write this for the pewsheet, I am about to go on Retreat. As I think about the week that has passed, and the people from Charlestown Parish... St Alban's and St Martins parishioners with whom I have spent time during these past days.. I give thanks to God for the way in which you are approaching the huge change that is about to happen, as we become one congregation at St Martin's Kahibah. Difficult as this seems for many of you, the mood of optimism for what the future holds is such a great thing for me to be part of.. a privilege indeed! Many things will have to change, many things will not be the same again... for either congregation... and yet, despite some natural anxieties and uncertainty, everyone I meet expresses commitment to your parish family, and a desire to move together into a new way of being church. How exciting is that! Very few churches have the opportunity to start afresh, in a new way, in the way Charlestown parish can, and will, so soon now. There are opportunities for engagement with the local community that just have not been possible at St Alban's.

We have the opportunity to show that it really is true when we say, 'We know God is leading us, and we trust in God.' And to know that all will be well!..in fact, better than just 'well', everything will be better than we ever dreamed it would be.

May the Lord be with you

Revd Sally

***\*\* Thanks to Matthew for photos taken last Sunday of items of significance here in St Albans, and of congregation members with items precious to them.***

***\*\* PC met Wednesday night, and issues discussed and decided were ... (not available at time of collating this What's News..)***

***\*\* Everyone with a WWC Check please supply Revd Sally (in writing) with your full name and DOB, so she can verify you on line, as required by Govt and Diocese. Thank you.***

***\*\*All with Safe Ministry Training need to give their certificate to Revd Sally to keep in Parish file... you may have a photocopy!***

***What's News This Week?***

***\*\* Drainage work at Kahibah happened***

***\*\* Security issues, and fencing, are in hand***

***\*\* The date of the day when we come back to St Albans to give thanks, to remember, and to deconsecrate, will be announced as soon we know if Bishop Peter approves our going straight to Kahibah.***

***\*\* Items like chalices, and ciboria used in worship here will be taken with us and used at St Martins. None will be sold!***



### ***Palm Crosses***

**Palm Cross making for Palm Sunday will be held on Wednesday 10th April at 10 am at St Albans church hall.**

**Please come along and help make palm crosses for our inaugural Palm Sunday service at St Martins. Instruction and morning tea provided. Please bring a pair of scissors. All welcome. Enquiries contact Jane Conway 0427 432440.**

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### ***Invitation to Men's Breakfast***

*Charlestown Uniting Church extend a warm welcome to their Men's Breakfast on Saturday 30 March at 7.30am for 8am at 24 Milson St, Charlestown with guest speaker Rhett Morson who helped found Cleanas, the clean energy association for Newcastle.*

***Hear Rhett Morson tell us***

***EVERYONE LIES ABOUT ELECTRICITY - DON'T TRUST ANYONE. (NOT EVEN ME!)***

***Some history - current and likely future trends - ways to save money!***

*Cost \$12 All welcome, bring friends. RSVP Sue on 4944 7793 or Steve Threlfo [annethrelfo@gmail.com](mailto:annethrelfo@gmail.com)*

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### ***This week's happenings...***

***Sunday 4:30 Messy Church***

***Monday 8:30*** Silent Christian Meditation seated near the altar beginning with short five-minute inspirational reading. *Every Monday*

***Monday 9:30*** Playgroup

***Monday 4:00*** Monday night home group - Lenten study at Bev Rigby's. We meet at 4pm, have a cuppa, finish 5.30pm. All Welcome

***Wednesday 9:30*** Mothers Union

***10:00*** GAPS

***Friday 9:00*** *Lenten Studies with Rev Bob at St Martin's beginning Friday 15*

***Friday 12:00*** *Lenten Studies with Rev Ruth from Friday 15 at St Alban's.*

***If you would like a copy of the study it can be emailed or printed for you.***

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### ***A M U A Mothers Union Everyone is welcome***

We will meet on Wednesday **20th March** in the Church at 9.30 am. Morning tea and meeting shall follow in the hall. Lunch afterwards will be at Cafe Fresh.

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## **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

***Readings:*** Isaiah 55.1-9                      Psalm 63.1-9  
1 Corinthians 10.1-13      Luke 13.31-35

### ***St Albans 8:30am***

***Prayers:*** Peter Eyre

***Reading:*** Robert Kear

***Sacristan:*** Ro Reed

***Sanctuary:*** Tricia Jessop, Lorraine Adams

***L.L. Ass:*** Brian Taylor

***Music:*** Elaine Davis

***Sound:*** Bill Livingstone

***Welcomers:*** Jane Campbell, Rosemary Davies

***Morning Tea:*** Linda Rees, Janet Storer

***Counting:*** Joan, Ewart

### ***St Martins 10:00am***

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