Sunnybank Anglican Church

Anglican Church Southern Queensland

**Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost** **13th September 2026**

**BCA Box Opening**
Please note that BCA boxes will be collected and counted soon.
During September, please drop your BCA boxes into the office or the vestry.
If you have any queries, please speak to Robyn.

**BCA Christmas Cakes, Puddings and Cards:** BCA are raising funds for their ministry by selling puddings, cakes and cards. The puddings are wrapped in calico cloth and are suitable to microwave; $34-00 for 500g and $54-00 for 1kg, with a gluten-free option available for a slightly higher price. Christmas cakes are $47-00 each for 700g. BCA Christmas cards with a bible verse and BCA logo are $8-00 for a pack of six cards. Orders must be received by the end of October to give time to collate and send the order through to BCA. If you would like to order any of the above, please speak to Robyn.

The **OSHC** is looking for cereal and tissue boxes of various sizes, cardboard tubes (not toilet rolls) to use during Vacation Care. We also require empty 1.25l soft drink bottles to use in our Rocket Science Incursion. If you have any, please leave them on the verandah near the OSHC door.

**Diary Dates:**

- **Saturday 19th Sept** - Working Bee 8:00am to 12:00pm. Hall windows and gardens around church and hall and the Memorial Garden.
- **Sunday 20th Sept** - Combined 8:00am Service. Guest Preacher - Bishop Cam

**Containers for Change ID Code: C10789687**

**Direct transfers can be paid into our ANFIN Account:-**
Name: Sunnybank Anglican Parish BSB: 704 901 Account: 00000790


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Revd Simon's day off is Friday.

**Sentence**
If you, O Lord, should note what we do wrong, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.
Psalm 130.3–4

**Prayer of the day**
O God,
you call your Church to witness that in Christ
we are reconciled to you:
help us so to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may turn to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Prayer of the week**
O God,
without you we are not able to please you:
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Old Testament Reading - Exodus 14:19-31**

19 Then the angel of God, who had been travelling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and
went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them,
20 coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud
brought darkness to the one side and light to the other; so neither went near the other
all night long. 21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the
Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters
were divided, 22 and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of
water on their right and on their left. 23 The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh's
horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea. 24 During the last watch
of the night the Lord looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army
and threw it into confusion. 25 He jammed the wheels of their chariots so that they had
difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, 'Let's get away from the Israelites! The Lord is
fighting for them against Egypt.' 26 Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand
over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and
horsemen.' 27 Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went
back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing towards it, and the Lord swept them into
the sea. 28 The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen – the entire
army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.
29 But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their
right and on their left. 30 That day the Lord saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians,
and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. 31 And when the Israelites saw the
mighty hand of the Lord displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord
and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.

**New Testament Reading - Romans 14:1-14**

[1] Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarrelling over disputable matters. [2] One person's faith allows them to eat anything, but another, whose faith is weak, eats only vegetables. [3] The one who eats everything must not treat with contempt the one who does not, and the one who does not eat everything must not judge the one who does, for God has accepted them. [4] Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To their own master, servants stand or fall. And they will stand, for the Lord is able to make them stand. [5] One person considers one day more sacred than another; another considers every day alike. Each of them should be fully convinced in their own mind. [6] Whoever regards one day as special does so to the Lord. Whoever eats meat does so to the Lord, for they give thanks to God; and whoever abstains does so to the Lord and gives thanks to God. [7] For none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone. [8] If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. [9] For this very reason, Christ died and returned to life so that he might be the Lord of both the dead and the living. [10] You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. [11] It is written: '"As surely as I live," says the Lord, "Every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God."' [12] So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God. [13] Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling-block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister. [14] I am convinced, being fully persuaded in the Lord Jesus, that nothing is unclean in itself. But if anyone regards something as unclean, then for that person it is unclean.

**Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35**

[21] Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?' [22] Jesus answered, 'I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. [23] 'Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. [24] As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. [25] Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt. [26] 'At this the servant fell on his knees before him. "Be patient with me," he begged, "and I will pay back everything." [27] The servant's master took pity on him, cancelled the debt and let him go. [28] 'But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. "Pay back what you owe me!" he demanded. [29] 'His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, "Be patient with me, and I will pay it back." [30] 'But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. [31] When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened. [32] 'Then the master called the servant in. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. [33] Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?" [34] In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. [35] 'This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

**Readings for Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost**

Old Testament: Exodus 16:2-15 Psalm: 105:1-6, 37-45

New Testament: Philippians 1 Gospel: Matthew: 20:1-16

CONTINUE STEADFASTLY IN PRAYER, BEING WATCHFUL IN IT WITH THANKSGIVING.
COLOSSIANS 4:2

**Anglican Church in the World**

- The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

**Anglican Church in Australia**

- Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia: Bishop Chris McLeod
- The Parish of Clayfield St Mark's: Lynette Kareta, Gary Blundell, Peter Daugaard
- St John's Community Care Services, Burleigh Heads
- St Luke's Anglican School, Bundaberg: Principal; School Council; Staff and Students

- **Parishes seeking new incumbents:** Banyo, Beaudesert, Beenleigh, Booval, Chelmer-Graceville, Dalby, Hendra-Clayfield, Jimboomba, Kingaroy, Noosa, North Pine, Nundah, Palmwoods, Rochedale, Roma, Toowong, St James' Toowoomba
- **Schools seeking chaplains:** St Luke's Anglican School; The Glennie School

**Mission prayers**

- **Pray for Sylvia Jeanes and Rev John Naumann** and for their good health and well-being.
- **Pray for Bush Church Aid:** We pray for those who work for Bush Church Aid and in particular we uplift Rev Mike Uptin and Sarah, who have offices in our church admin.

**Our Parish**

- We pray for Simon, Greece and family as they shepherd your people with love and grace.

**For members of our church family**

- We give thanks for our church family. We give thanks for the diversity of our people who gather together to worship. We pray for all our parishioners and their families

**Parish activities**

- Lord, we thank you for the faithful volunteers who serve your church with their time, talents, and energy. Strengthen them when they are weary, fill them with joy, and grant them wisdom.

**For those who have asked for prayer**

- Margaret
- Linda and Kirk
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**Prayer points for our parish**

- Pray for our staff, parish councillors, all volunteers, and those on rosters as they continue to serve in this parish.
- Wisdom and courage as we seek to share the love of Jesus in our community. We pray that all those who enter feel deeply loved by our Lord.
- Pray for Nourishing Neighbours as they reach out to those in need of fellowship within the local community. Pray for more people to know about this special ministry.
- Pray for the preparation of our Parish's 110th Anniversary in 2027. We pray for strength, encouragement and wisdom for those who will volunteer to be a convenor or assist at one of the special planned events.