



Barossa North Lutheran Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN

Fifth Sunday of Easter

3rd May 2026

**Strait Gate, Light Pass; Holy Trinity, Nuriootpa; Pilgrim, Neukirch;
St John's, Ebenezer; St John's, Dutton; Immanuel, Truro;
St Thomas, Stockwell; Immanuel, Light Pass.**

Christ's Church of Living Stones.

*There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under heaven:
a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a
time to uproot*

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

A parish of the Lutheran Church of Australia



Welcome to all those who are worshipping this week either at home or face to face. The following documents will be emailed or delivered to help you with your worship time;

- * A service order including bible readings and a sermon
- * The weekly Bulletin



This Week's Bible Readings

Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5,15,16
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

Next Week's Bible Readings

Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

In Your Prayers Remember

Those who have been hospitalised or are recuperating at home;
Trevor Rothe, Melva Graetz, Eleanor Kassebaum, Keith Riebke, Trevor Boyce

Our aged members at home and in places of care:
Val Graetz, Colin Gerhardy, Lorna Holmes (Lutheran Homes Hope Valley), Royce Kleinig, Eileen Laubsch, Phyllis Linke, Una Paech, Dorothy Rohrlach, Helga Sabel, Audrey Schmidt, Mavis Schrapel, Barry Steinborner (Gumeracha Aged Care)



Additional Prayer Points

- For those who are persecuted or suffer because they follow Christ
- For the SA-NT District
- For those who long for the comfort of human companionship with friends and/or partners/spouses
- For those on the land who are struggling mentally and/or financially
- For the blessing of water, soil, sunshine and seeds & please provide us with what we need, when we need it
- For the blessing of friends and family
- For those who have recently lost a loved one or are sick or injured

SAFE CHURCH - Safe People, Safe Programs, Safe Places

Physical Abuse is any incident where a person is threatened or physically attacked by direct or indirect application of force that creates a risk to health, safety and wellbeing. Any form of abuse is not tolerated within our Parish and should be reported.

Find out more: www.childsafe.org.au

For any Child Safe or Safe Place concerns, please contact the Parish Office on 0491 764 651 or Dave Biar on 8267 5211.

Parish

Parish Office Hours: The office will be occupied on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30am until 3:00pm. The Parish has a mobile number that is to be used to contact the Parish Office and the number can be found on the front page of the bulletin.

Blessing of the Seed, Soil and Water Service Offering: This year's offering will be donated to Lutheran Care to help set up a new Nuriootpa based Barossa Community Centre.

Save the Date: On Sunday the 13th of September the Light Pass Immanuel Congregation will be celebrating their 180th Anniversary. More details will follow as they arise. All are welcome!

Parish Newsletter: If anyone has any items that they would like to be included in the next Parish newsletter, can they please be emailed or dropped off to the Parish Office by Thursday the 7th of May. Thank you.

Ebenezer Congregation: The Ebenezer Church Council will next meet on Thursday the 14th of May at 7:30pm in the hall.

Holy Trinity Congregation: The Holy Trinity Church Council will next meet on Tuesday the 12th of May at 11:00am in the church hall. Ros Woidt is on devotion.

Holy Trinity Congregation: The Holy Trinity Women's Fellowship will be celebrating their 82nd anniversary on Sunday the 17th of May at the 10:00am lay reading service. Could all members please bring along a plate of food to share for a special morning tea to be held after the service. Many thanks.

Strait Gate Congregation: The Strait Gate Women's Fellowship will be hosting a Biggest Morning Tea on Wednesday the 6th of May at 10:00am in the Church Hall. If attending, please feel free to wear something pink (this is optional) and please bring your own tea cup/saucer/plate.

Strait Gate Church Busy Bee: A very BIG thank you to all the members who attended the busy bee on the 18th of April to clean up the cemetery and the church grounds. Well done on doing a great job. THANKYOU.



Can You Help?: The Parish Office are looking to create a more welcoming and comfortable meeting space so if anyone has a small lounge set (i.e. a 2 seater lounge with one or two armchairs) that they no longer require and would like to donate to the Parish, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

From the Parish Exec:

The Parish Council are still in need of an **Assistant Secretary**. If anyone would like to fill this position, please contact someone on the Parish Exec or the Parish Office.

Charlie Braunack – Parish Chairperson
Janet Grosser - Secretary

Roger Frahn – Vice Chairperson
Andrew Kleinig - Treasurer

Parish / General

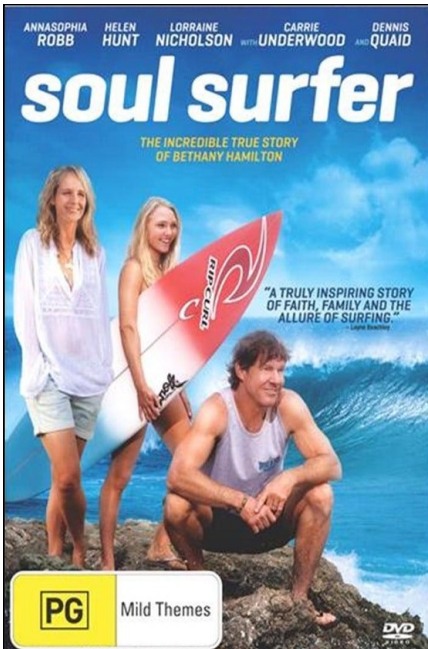
Gift to LCA International Mission

Thanks to our NOW service participants, we have raised \$168 from the proceeds of the evening meal donations.

It is certainly something to smile about!! And we've sent some great photos to Bibelvrouw students in Indonesia.

We've gotten lots of hearts and one student wrote: *Hello Grandpa Michael, thank you for introducing Bibelvrouw to the congregation there.*

May the story about Bibelvrouw further glorify God's name.



Movie Night

Holy Trinity Church Hall

Sunday 3rd May 2026

7:00pm

\$5 (includes popcorn & a drink)

Soul Surfer is the inspiring true story of teen surfer Bethany Hamilton, who lost her arm in a shark attack and courageously overcame all odds to become a champion again, through her sheer determination and unwavering faith. In the wake of this life-changing event that took her arm and nearly her life, Bethany's feisty determination and steadfast beliefs spur her toward an adventurous comeback that gives her the grit to turn her loss into a gift for others.

General

SA History Festival May 2026

Stockwell History Walk

Saturday 16th May 2026

10am and 12noon

Wander the historic streets of Stockwell and uncover stories hidden in its buildings – from the old Hall and School to the Flour Mill and Webber's Store.

Enjoy a special performance at St Thomas Lutheran Church and hear tales of grand openings, lively crowds and even a famously disputed church bell..

Stockwell Community Association inc.

Bookings- Stockwellcommunityassociation@gmail.com



Lutheran Care Needs Your Help...

Emergency Relief is a program that supports a large number of locals with food, bedding & toiletries.

We would love your support to replenish our stock with items that we are in need of. Thank YOU for helping US to help OTHERS.

All donations can be dropped off at the Tanunda Office (109 -111 Murray Street).

For the month of **May** we would love your support to replenish our Emergency Relief with:

**Shampoo & Conditioner
Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Tins of Tuna**

**Nuriootpa
Chatty Café**

You're invited!

Join us every **Thursday*** for a chat, cuppa and a variety of fun activities. Bring your friends or come along and make new ones.

Nuriootpa Soldiers Memorial Hall (46 Murray Street, Nuriootpa)

1:30pm – 3:30pm **08 8562 2688**

lutherancare.org.au/community-connections/

*This program runs during the school term.

Brought to you by:

General



LUTHERAN WOMEN

SA-NT RETREAT

**Saturday, June 20, 2026
From 8.30 am**

**Langmeil Lutheran Church
7 Maria St, Tanunda**



*“Women
of faith”*

RETREAT CHAPLAIN:

Libby Jewson

COUNSELLOR:

Rosalie Polkinghorne



Registrations for the Lutheran Women SA-NT Retreat are open.

The cost of the retreat is **\$50.00** per person and includes tea and coffee, morning and afternoon tea and lunch on Saturday.

For catering purposes, all registrations must be received by Tuesday the **9th of June 2026**.

Payment must be made **ON THE DAY** of the Retreat with cash.

Extra cash may be required for the offering that will support the work of the Bible Society, for dinner at the Tanunda Hotel (if attending) and for any bookshop purchases you wish to make.

Enrolment forms with further information have been forwarded to all congregations or copies can be obtained by contacting the Parish Office.

A time to weep
and a time to laugh.

Ecclesiastes 3:4



General

BAROSSA ARK NEWS

Featured Book by Pastor Timothy Keller

The problem of suffering is for many the greatest obstacle to believing in a good and loving God.

In 'Walking with God through Pain and Suffering', Pastor Timothy Keller grapples with the age-old question - if God is love, why is there so much pain and suffering in the world?

Keller brings his authoritative teaching, sensitivity to contemporary culture and pastoral heart to these pressing questions.

In this book, he avoids platitudes and easy answers. Instead, he gives guidance, encouragement and inspiration.

Mission Moments - the Aussie Gospel

Pastor Richard Ansoul commences this four- part series on Sunday the 31st of May in the Meeting Room.

Richard will draw on Scripture and his many years of practical experience in sharing the gospel with different cultural people groups and settings.

He will take these insights and describe how they might continue to confirm and shape our own efforts as we share the gospel in our Australian setting.

 47 Murray Street Nuriootpa Barossa Ark CLOSED Mondays	Open Hours TUE-FRI 9.30 AM - 5 PM SATURDAY 9.30 AM - 12 NOON PH: 8562 4631 barossaark@gmail.com
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barossa valley CHOCOLATE COMPANY
64 Burings Rd Tanunda

THE HUGA MUG CLUB

10.00 am Tuesday May 5

SPROCKET ROCKETS
SOCIAL CYCLING & COFFEE-ING CLUB

Cyclists Langmeil Carpark
9.30 Thursday May 7
Others 10.30 at BV Chocolate Company

General

FREE FOSTER CARE INFO SESSION



MONDAY 1ST JUNE



6:30PM – 8:30PM



LANGMEIL LUTHERAN CHURCH

7 Maria St, Tanunda

At this session, you'll meet an experienced Foster Carer who will share a bit about their journey and answer any questions you may have about the realities of fostering – both the rewards and the challenges.

Our open and honest information session will assist you to:

- understand the foster caring role and how it will impact you and your family and friends
- become informed about the process of becoming a foster carer, and;
- consider what type of care may be best suited to your family and lifestyle.

Foster Care is a journey, and our team is here to walk alongside you every step of the way.



LUTHERAN
CARE

All are welcome to attend and learn more!
Register via the QR code above.

If you would like to learn more or chat to someone today, contact:



fostercare@lutherancare.org.au



08 8337 8787

Bringing Up Great Kids

Bringing Up Great Kids is a free four-week course supporting parents to develop mindful, nurturing and positive relationships with their children.

Key topics include:

- communication and parenting styles
- understanding brain development in children
- developing meaningful reflection and self-care strategies.

When: Weekly Starting Tuesday 26th May 2026

Time: 1-3pm

Location: Lutheran Care Barossa Community Centre.

25 Second Street, Nuriootpa

To register: Cherie/Kirsty on 85622688. Natalie 0481288166

Bookings essential. Registrations Close 22.5.26



What's on this week?

Mark your
Calendar

Sunday 3rd May:

9:00am **Conservation of Rechner's Cottage Service** at
Strait Gate Church

10:30am **Blessing of the Seed, Soil & Water Service** at Baldon Station
7:00pm **Movie Night** in the Holy Trinity Church Hall

Monday 4th May:

Pastor Damien's Day of Rest

Tuesday 5th May:

1:45pm **Bible Study** in the Meeting Room, Immanuel LP

4:00pm **Confirmation Class** in the Holy Trinity Church Hall

Wednesday 6th May:

9:00am **Prayer Fellowship** in the Meeting Room, Immanuel LP

10:00am **Strait Gate Women's Fellowship Biggest Morning Tea** in the
Strait Gate Church Hall

Thursday 7th May:

Friday 8th May:

Saturday 9th May:



Thought For The Week

When a flower doesn't bloom,
you fix the environment in which it grows,
not the flower.

Alexander Den Heijer

What's on next week?



Sunday 10th May:

Mothers Day

Sixth Sunday of Easter - service times are on the back page of the bulletin
9:00am ***Kids Living in Christ (KLIC)*** in the Ebenezer Hall



Monday 11th May:

Pastor Damien's Day of Rest

7:30pm ***Immanuel LP Church Council Meeting*** in the Meeting Room,
Immanuel LP

Tuesday 12th May:

11:00am ***Holy Trinity Church Council Meeting*** in the Holy Trinity Church Hall

1:45pm ***Bible Study*** in the Meeting Room, Immanuel LP

4:00pm ***Confirmation Class*** in the Holy Trinity Church Hall



Wednesday 13th May:

9:00am ***Prayer Fellowship*** in the Meeting Room, Immanuel LP

1:00pm ***Immanuel LP Women's Fellowship*** in the Angas Room at the
Barossa Council Public Library, 43-51 Tanunda Road, Nuriootpa

Offering: LWSA-NT Convention Offering

Devotion and Hostess: Jill Boehm



Thursday 14th May:

9:30am ***LWSA-NT Convention*** at the Memorial Civic Centre, Laura

1:30pm ***Ebenezer-Neukirch Women's Fellowship*** in the Neukirch Hall

****Can all members please bring a plate of finger food to share****

Partners Are Most Welcome!

Theme: CUPPA-4-CANCER

Roll Call: Wear Your Favourite Colour

Thought of the Day: Joyce Heintze

Offering: BAFFC

Afternoon Tea Hostess: Sue Riebke

7:30pm ***Ebenezer Church Council Meeting*** in the Ebenezer Hall

Friday 15th May:

Saturday 16th May:





Sunday 10th May 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter (White)



LIGHT PASS - SG

Grounds:

At Ebenezer

Trevor Schmidt, Dwayne Schmidt, Malcolm Gogoll & Glen Evans

HOLY TRINITY

Readings:

Ushers:

Welcoming:

Grounds:

9:00am HC

Ros Woidt

Glen Hammerling & Maria Rothe

Elaine Bartlett

George Radley

Pastor Damien Martin



NEUKIRCH

Readings:

Warden:

10:00am LR

Marcus & Roslyn Schulz

Ralph Schrapel

EBENEZER

Readings:

Musician:

Wardens:

10:30am HC

Cheryl Hampel

David Freckelton

Charlie Braunack, Michael & Jasmine Braunack, Naomi & Joel Todd and Sarah, Zachary & Aimee Gripton

Pastor Damien Martin

DUTTON

Visiting

TRURO

Visiting



STOCKWELL

Cleaning:

Stewards:

Church Grounds:

10:30am LR

Michelle Doecke

Kym Burgemeister, Joshua Burgemeister & Robert Leigh

R Noack & Family

LIGHT PASS - IM

Musician:

Readings:

Stewards:

Grounds:

9:00am LR

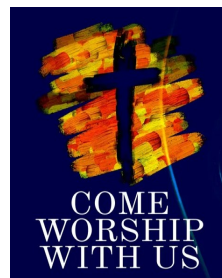
Tim Hage

Lynn Mattner

Merv, Justin & Rachel John and

Isabel & Nicholas Hage

Kym Linke & Tim Linke



Deadline for inclusion of notices is **Thursdays at 9:00am** to the Parish email barossanorthlutheran@gmail.com or by hand to the office.