



Bulletin : February 2024

Welcome

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2024

*T*hank you for visiting St. Luke's at Cockatoo. We are happy that you have joined us for our services in our lovely mudbrick worship centre.

Feel free to join us after our Sunday service for morning tea and a chat. On the next page you will find all details for our Church if you wish to make further contact. You can also complete the information sheet on the back page and either leave in the red post box or place in the offering bowl.

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SERMONS: <https://soundcloud.com/stlukesatcockatoo>

BLOG: <https://www.stlukesatcockatoo.com.au/blog>

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St. Luke's Cockatoo

BSB: 633 000 Acct Number: 125 471 292

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“Sandy Says”



Dear Friends

I hope that you have been able to ‘Sabbath’ for a time over the summer. Balancing what we do with our time is so important for every facet of our health and being able to do what God is asking us to. Rather than falling in a heap after flogging ourselves with all the things, it’s far better to maintain a rhythm of working from our resting place in God. That’s what Sabbath is about!

It’s about entering into a place of relying on God for everything we need [!]

God knows we need a whole 24 hours of sleep, hanging out with him and his people, and celebrating together. He also knows we need a period of rest every day. Before electricity was invented people mainly worked during hours of daylight.

The night time is a gift from God to rest from all our labours. To talk around the fire. To laugh and cry and pray. To reflect. To tell God about our day and listen to what He has to say. I love the thought of being able to walk with God in the cool of the evening in the garden. I love being able to pray and converse with God's people also. These times enrich my soul and encourage me and guide me in what God wants me to do.

To mature as the people of God in 2024 together - we each need to be intentional in how we establish rhythms of worship, of becoming community and of partnering with Jesus in making new disciples. If we don't attend to all three of these aspects of our lives we won't grow as individuals or as a church. This month we will be focussing on how we do this. As relational beings we all need to feel we belong in order to flourish in our community. This is why Jesus said love God with all that you are and love others as you love yourself. Please pray this month asking God to guide you in finding others with whom you can intentionally journey in figuring this out together. There will be a couple of new groups/ministries starting up this term, God willing. Please see me if you'd like to have a chat about any of this and what you sense God is putting on your heart.

Love and every blessing in Jesus

Sandy

February 2024

And our programs are up and running



www.stlukesatcockatoo.com.au
Facebook - St. Lukes Church Cockatoo
www.stlukesatcockatoo.Elvanto.com.au

(03) 5968 8459

Keep up to date with our calendar on Elvanto or
the Web page

A

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Built soon after the Ash Wednesday bushfires, we meet in a rustic mud brick building located next to Cockatoo Creek. St Luke's is a gospel based church that has strong links with the community and a heart for outreach and care.

During the week members of St Luke's serve our community lovingly at Food Store and many other informal ways of helping each other out. There are also playgroups and programs for primary aged children as detailed in the calendar . We have Kids Church alongside our Multi generational worship on Sunday mornings @10am. There's also a Friday night program for Youth [Year 6-12] during term time, and Youth focussed evening worship on Sunday evenings.

We're a diverse bunch of people committed to grow together in living according to Jesus' ways and words; to serve and transform our community for the good of the world. We seek to look after each other as we face life's challenges and encourage one another to grow through our experiences with the care of others, and the faithfulness and provision of God. We are a church that is continually reminded again and again that we're here in this place going about Jesus' business.

Looking forward to journeying with you!

Parish Council for 2023-24

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If you would like prayer or would like to be part of our prayer chain email, please see/call Sue (0408 362 754) or email her at suzannebarbieri@yahoo.com.au. You can also use the prayer link on our web page at www.stlukesatcockatoo.com.au/prayer



Love to Sing?

*The Lyre Birds Community Choir
Are Welcoming*

**New
members**

7:15 pm At St. Lukes Church, McBride Street
Cockatoo

ROSTERS

The Family Service and Music rosters can be found on the Church website at www.stlukesatcockatoo.com.au/rosters



Cycling Group

- Each Wednesday at 2:00pm there is a small group who ride the bike paths from Clematis to Cockatoo and back, followed by a coffee stop.
- It is about 2-hour commitment.
- If you are interested in joining, contact Peter Crawford 59683619, 0430160886 or pka@tpg.com.au
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See details on the web site or talk with Fiona van den Acker



Meet the Author

17 Feb 2024, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Cockatoo, Cockatoo VIC 3781, Australia

How God transforms us on the journey of life



The Craft group meets between 2:00pm and 4:30pm on the last Saturday of each month—Contact Chris Appleby for more information.

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5	28 10:00 Family Service St.	29 10:00 The Food Store	30	31
6	4 10:00 Communion Service	5 Emergency lighting testing 10:00 The Food Store	6 09:30 JitterBugs	7 09:30 JitterB 12:00 Spide
7	11 10:00 Family Service St.	12 10:00 The Food Store	13 09:30 JitterBugs 19:30 Parish Council	14 09:30 JitterB
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QUESTIONS FOR YOUR REFLECTION REGARDING SMALL GROUPS

If you are considering whether you might join [or even start!] a small group here are some questions to reflect on:

[Circle whichever answers apply to aid you in your thinking]

In a small group would you prefer to meet in the

Daytime Evening Either

What days or nights would suit you best?

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

Would you like to attend with your spouse? Friend?

Yes No Maybe

Sometimes I would like my group to hold activities to include/invite my spouse/friend

Would you consider helping to facilitate a group or joining to support the facilitator in the task of discipleship ?

Yes No Maybe Partnering with others

Do you have a passion for a particular group of people that leads you to prayerfully reflect as to whether God wants you to start a new group or ministry in the church family of St Luke's?

Yes No Maybe I'd like to talk more with others about my passion/vision

Would you consider hosting a group at your place or supporting someone else to host the group with practical helps?

Yes No Maybe Occasionally Sharing the load

Some reasons for joining a small group:

I would like to join a small group to grow in my relationship with God.

Yes. No. Maybe

I would like to develop deeper relationships with other Christians

Yes. No. Maybe

I would like to experience greater:

Connection Purpose Accountability Encouragement Care Confidence
Growth in my discipleship journey Faithfulness. Joy Love Prayer
Shared mission Community Belonging in my church family Laughter
Breakthrough in my faith journey Sense of God's presence and guidance
Sense of being heard and valued and worth ability to help others

**I would like to connect better with my not yet Christian friends/family/
neighbours/workmates.**

Yes. No. Maybe

**I would like to be able to talk about the good news of Father Son and Spirit
with others**

Yes. No. Maybe

I would like to have a friend to help me in any of these things

Yes. No. Maybe

***I hope now that you have had a good think about where you're at you
might share your reflections with another St Luke's family member and/or
Sandy and pray together to ask God how he is leading you in regard to
finding other Christians to travel this journey of discipleship with.***

*Grace and Love in Jesus
Sandy*

Child Safe Links

Here you will find links to our Child Safe Policies

ANGLICAN DIOCESES OF MELBOURNE CHILD SAFETY POLICY FOR CHILDREN



CHILD SAFETY AND WELLBEING POLICY

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS



KEY SAFE MINISTRY DOCUMENTS

Reporting Obligations & Person of Concern process

Kooyoora recently conducted a training session regarding the above topic and we would like to make available to you, resources and information from the Melbourne Anglican Diocese . The QR code here will take you to their Key Safe Ministry Documents, which are frequently updated. All are encouraged to make yourselves familiar with its contents.





ELVANTO

Elvanto is the church database. You will find rosters, contact details, the church calendar, etc. Please check Elvanto regularly to stay updated. If you are new, please sign up at <https://stlukesatcockatoo.elvanto.com.au> or see Dave Graham for more information.



WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

The beginning of the year is a great time to check your paperwork. All members of the church are required to have a current WWCC. To apply or update your WWCC go to <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>



REMINDER!

To all user groups to make sure that all of the lights & heaters are off and doors are locked when you leave the building.



PLAYGROUND REMINDER

Parents be aware that the bikes go back in the store room and the sand pit lid needs to be closed when you leave the playground. Thank you.



CHURCH BOOKINGS

For all church bookings of church facilities, events (even if held off site), equipment & HCSI equipment, please email stlukesatcockatoo@gmail.com or Naomi Dewar for HCSI equipment (naomi.dewar@echo.org.au)



Got something for the next monthly Bulletin?

Please email David by the **25th** of the month with any notices/articles for the next edition.



Church Library

Located in the meeting room off the worship area. Feel free to borrow any books, etc. Any donations of Christian books please leave in front office.

Connect with us— place this page in the collection plate or the red post box in the foyer

Welcome Slip!



Please join us after the service for a chat and a cuppa.....

You can find more about us at WWW.stlukesatcockatoo.com.au

OR

Email: admin@stlukesatcockatoo.com.au

Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Email: _____

- ◇ I am visiting today and wanted to say "Hi"
- ◇ I am visiting today and plan to come again
- ◇ I would like some more information about the Church
- ◇ I have somethings I would like to talk about
- ◇ I have a prayer request

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