

Please Keep in your Prayers...



- Pastor Bruce Clark
- Pastor Yanto hall
- Margaret Schefe
- Merle McKnight
- Viv Lingard
- The people of Vanuatu as they rebuild after TC Pam

**Weekly Roster ~Roma**

|                       | March 29 <sup>th</sup> | April 5 <sup>th</sup> | April 12 <sup>th</sup> |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Welcome</i>        | Ian                    | Merle                 | Annette                |
| <i>Steward</i>        | Fay                    | Lyn                   | Andrew                 |
| <i>Morning Tea</i>    | Fay                    | Glenda                | Lyn                    |
| <i>Cleaning</i>       |                        | Merle                 | Gwenda                 |
| <i>Mowing/Gardens</i> |                        | Andrew                |                        |

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**The Maranoa  
 Messenger**

- Roma Uniting Lutheran -  
 - Wallumbilla - Injune - Arcadia Valley -



*Welcome to worship!*

*A warm welcome is extended to all worshipping with us today.  
 Please join us for a cuppa and fellowship after the service.*

29<sup>th</sup> March - 5<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**The Rev's Ramblings...**

Today is Palm Sunday, the day we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the week before Easter. This is one of the most joyful days recorded for us in Scripture, although it still does not match the joy of Jesus' resurrection that we will look at next week. Growing up I heard this story told so many times, had it explained to me from Sunday School through to youth group but how much of it did I really understand?

The palm wavers rightly see triumph in Jesus, but they don't understand it. It is sad that the same people who shouted out "Hosanna!" "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" were the same people that shouted, "Crucify Him!"

Just after His triumphal entry, according to John, Jesus makes it clear how He will win: "Now is the judgment of this world, now shall the ruler of this world be cast out; and I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself" (John 12:31-32) His being lifted up to glory is at once His being lifted up on the cross.

Friends, the Good News today is Palm Sunday so let us reflect from whatever perspective we like but let us pray that we may have a faith in God that enables us to know His love as it is revealed in Jesus Christ as a reality guiding our own hearts and lives. As we remember Easter next week the Christ who died upon the Cross for our sins, may we seek to live in a way that serves others and brings glory to God's name.

Blessings,  
 Faye

**From the Moderator ~ Rev David Baker**

*Please join us in praying together each  
 Monday at Midday:*

Loving God, as we journey with Jesus to Jerusalem during Lent, open our hearts to what we need to let go of so that we can follow Him more closely.

*Amen*

**Uniting in Christ**  
 acting with love  
 living with hope  
 witnessing in faith  
 working for justice

## Readings for this Fortnight

**March 29<sup>th</sup>** Isaiah 50:4-9a  
**Palm Sunday** Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29  
 Philippians 2:5-1  
 John 12:12-16

**April 5<sup>th</sup>** Acts 10:34-43  
**Easter** or Isaiah 25:6-9  
**Sunday** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
 1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
 John 20:1-18

### Services for March

|   |             |         |                           |                       |
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| March 29 <sup>th</sup><br><i>Palm Sunday</i>  | Roma        | 9.30 am |                           | Rev Faye              |
| April 3 <sup>rd</sup><br><i>Good Friday</i>   | Roma        | 8.00 am | <i>Ecumenical Service</i> | Roma Church of Christ |
| April 5 <sup>th</sup><br><i>Easter Sunday</i> | Wallumbilla | 7.00 pm | <i>"Tenebrae" Service</i> | Rev Faye              |
| April 5 <sup>th</sup><br><i>Easter Sunday</i> | Roma        | 7.00 am | <i>Communion</i>          | Rev Faye              |
| April 12 <sup>th</sup>                        | Roma        | 9.30 am |                           | Paul Scheffe          |
| April 19 <sup>th</sup>                        | Roma        | 9.30 am |                           | Glenys Thompson       |



## Mayoral Breakfast

The Maranoa Mayor Robert Loughnan invites you to celebrate the launch of the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter in the Country Festival, with the Annual Mayoral Breakfast 2015. The ceremony will include the presentation of the "True Blue Award" and a tribute to the Anzac Centenary.

**When:** Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 7.00 am – 8.30 am

**Where:** Roma Explorers Inn Function Centre

**Cost:** \$25 Tickets can be purchased at the Roma Visitor Information Centre prior to the event (cash or cheque only). Limited tickets available at the door.

**RSVP:** Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March to Roma Visitor Information Centre 4622 8676 or email romavic@maranoa.qld.gov.au

### Guest Speaker – Father Chris Riley

Father Riley, Founder and CEO of Youth Off The Streets, has worked with disadvantaged youth for more than 30 years in a variety of roles including teacher, youth worker, probation officer, residential carer and principal.



# What's Happenin' In the Maranoa?



### The Watoto Choir are coming to Roma!

9th April 2015  
 6.30 pm  
 Roma Bungil Cultural Centre

Come and be entertained and inspired by African children who have experienced the horrors of war, genocide, famine, flood and anything else that life can throw at them, but still come up smiling, as they share their new-found optimism for life lived in the love of the Lord.

### Religious Instruction

Please keep in your prayers our RI Teachers who do an amazing job of spreading the good news in our local schools. There is a donation tin located in the foyer in Roma if you wish to support in this way.

### Good Friday Ecumenical Service Roma Church of Christ 8:00am

Please bring a plate to share for morning tea after the service

### The Mitchell Kindy

Are seeking donations of these items:  
 Scrap Fabric, Milk Bottle Lids, Plastic Salad/Takeaway Containers.  
 Please place in the orange plastic container in the foyer in Roma or give to Faye.

*Please keep this fantastic outreach in your prayers*

### A Special Thank You!

To all the volunteers and those who donated goodies for the Kids Zone Games at Get Pinkt on Saturday.

A great day was had by all and vital funds were raised for the Cancer Council and the Kirstin Albeck Community Support Fund.

### Maranoa Chaplaincy Committee

Are always welcoming new volunteers to support the amazing work done by our local school chaplains. Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at The Shed at 5.15 pm. Please see Glenys Thompson for more info

### Junior Campus Brekky Club

Are seeking donations of the following:  
*Cereal, spreads for toast, juice, long life milk.*  
 Please place in the basket in the foyer in Roma. Please see Fay Stephenson if you are interested in **VOLUNTEERING** for this awesome outreach.

Rev Faye will be on leave from 9<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> April. Any enquiries, please contact Lyn Kajewski

Person/Persons required for cleaning the church & Shed. Once in every 3 months roster. Phone Annette for more details - 4622 3006