

Parish Prayer Calendar – 2018

1	Pray for those who are preparing for the Memorial Service on Saturday. We give thanks for those who minister to the grieving.
2	Generous God, of all the gifts we received, none is more important than faith. Help us to be filled with gratitude for this wonderful gift.
3	Pray for the Memorial Service at St James today, that it is an opportunity for those who grieve to bring that grief to the foot of the cross and find the peace of Christ.
4	As we celebrate All Souls Day, pray for all those who have been so significant in our individual lives and Christian journey.
5	Pray for the home study groups that meet in the parish, that they will be places where people can grow in knowledge of Jesus and fellowship with each other.
6	Pray for the Melbourne Cup Luncheon held at Holy Rood today, that all will have fun and draw closer as friends and become like a family.
7	Pray for the students and staff at Jubilee Primary School. May Jesus' love shine through the every-day actions of people there so that more and more people are drawn to Him.
8	Give thanks for the PATSIMAC group of our parish. Pray for more community understanding of the issues and challenges facing indigenous people, and that more people will read and learn about their true situation.
9	Give thanks for those who give their time and talents to visit nursing homes. Give them wisdom and patience as they minister to those who need this level of support. Pray for the staff in places of care.
10	Pray for the ministry of the Shoe Boxes and for all those who have given time, contents and money to this blessing of others beyond the parish as the boxes are packed.
11	On this Remembrance Day give thanks for the sacrifice made by so many during times of war so we are able to enjoy freedom in this wonderful country. Pray for those who are going into conflict situations to relieve the pressure on civilians caught up in violence in the Middle East.
12	As the academic year draws to a close we pray for those schools with which we associate. Pray today for the students and staff at Coomera Anglican College, particularly for those students reaching the end of their school days in grade 12, and also for Chaplain Mary-Anne Rulfs.
13	Give thanks for the clergy that have and continue to support the parish as we look for a new associate priest. Pray a blessing on them for all the work that have done this year.
14	Pray for those who meet faithfully on Wednesday mornings to worship and fellowship together. Pray that this community continues to grow and be a blessing to each other.
15	God of mystery and surprises, break into our lives. Transform the ordinary. Help us to know that You have the power to make us whole.

16	Pray for the Craft Groups. May their time together be joyous and the fruits of their hands be a blessing to others
17	Pray for the administration staff and volunteers that work in the office at St Matthews. Give them a willingness to serve and the Parish members a willingness to support them
18	Pray for all the services today, that people will come with open hearts to be fed and renewed for their Christian walk for the coming week
19	Pray for the Hospital Chaplain co-ordinator, Michelle Philp that she will fulfil this role with enthusiasm and a deep sense of God's spirit. Pray that more people are raised up for this ministry.
20	Pray for St Hilda's Anglican Girls School, for all the students and staff. Be with them as they encourage the girls to the year end.
21	Pray for a new associate priest for the parish, for the raising up of the right person.
22	Pray for those approaching ordination, give them a full measure of the Holy Spirit as they minister to God's people across southern Queensland.
23	Lord Jesus, stand beside all those with life threatening illnesses. Give them courage, patience and endurance as they wait in hope for improvement and good results from treatments.
24	Pray for the Mainly Music ministry and for those who faithfully give of their time and talent to foster young mums and build relationships as well as helping develop young children's' love of music and movement
25	Pray for The Southport School and Fr Jonathan, may the young men who pass through that school have a clear vision of Jesus in the world.
26	Pray for our families, friends, neighbours and ourselves that we might build true communities with enlightened minds, welcoming hearts and reconciling souls.
27	Pray for those with responsibility in God's Church, both clergy and lay leaders that they may minister faithfully to His people.
28	Pray for all the people who work so faithfully in the op shops that they continue to be very important contributors to the parish finances, particularly for Becky Gellel and Denise Kidd.
29	Almighty God through Your divine power and wisdom help me to make my lifestyle true and holy at all times, protect me from becoming hypocritical through selfish thoughts and self-centredness, help me to become Your ever-faithful servant who cares for others.
30	As we begin a new church year, pray that we might submit ourselves to God, as clay to a potter, to be moulded into the likeness of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
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