

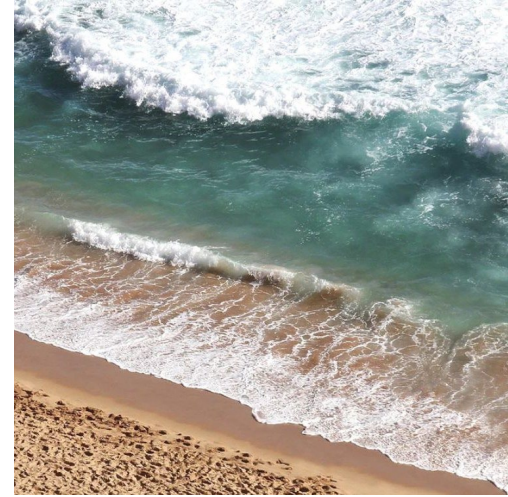


17 January 2025

Journeying with Faith

A disciple is like a student who dedicates their life to learning from their teacher, striving to emulate their wisdom and actions. In the story of Peter, we see this devotion in action as he faces a storm and chooses to step out of the boat, trusting that Jesus can make the impossible possible. Although his faith wavers and he begins to sink, Jesus immediately reaches out to lift him up. Are you ready to take the risk and step out of your comfort zone, trusting that with faith, the impossible becomes possible?

Pastor Rob Schubert



Bible Readings: Matthew 14:22-33 (GNT)

Podcasts of weekly messages are available at www.paravista.org.au

Prayer Requests

Please forward all prayer requests to the church office via churchenquiries@paravista.org.au or phone 8263 5087. If you know or have spoken to anyone who does not have access to a computer, please assist them to submit their request and offer to pray with them.



DIARY DATES

January

9.30am Service every Sunday throughout January

21st – 25th Jan Hall Floor Repolishing (hall unavailable)

31st Jan Craft and Coffee 9.30-11am

February

23rd Feb Online Safe Church Training 2pm

4th Feb Ladies Fellowship 12pm

Floor Polishing Notice

The hall floor is being re-polished on Tuesday 21st January. The hall and storeroom will be unavailable to use from 21st -25th January 2025.

Opportunity To Join Good Shepherd Church Team

Community Development - Youth

Contract- 12 months, 8 hours/per week

Objective of Role:

The Community Development – Youth role will explore and promote meaningful opportunities across the community for children in years 2-12 (approximately ages 6-18) and their families to engage with the community and grow in their faith in Jesus. This role will foster connections both within the Good Shepherd school and church community and with external partners to enhance outreach and program effectiveness.

For position description, Contact Administration Team Leader Belinda Konrad at belinda.konrad@paravista.org.au

Applications close: Friday 24th January 2025

Grow Kids Resource

Did you know that we are now in the Season of Epiphany? This season continues until Ash Wednesday. During this time, we think about the Magi visiting the young child, Jesus. We also celebrate the baptism of Jesus. This 'Grow Kids' resource offers ideas that shine light on Jesus' special mission on earth... How God sent Jesus to tell all people about God's love for them. Some of his encounters were miraculous! This resource explores Jesus turning water into wine. I'd love to hear what you think! Great for families, grandparents who are interested in nurturing faith!

Caring Conversations

Happy New Year everyone! Whatever situation you find yourself in, know that God is right there with you! Here are a few conversation starters to have with your friends and family... They link with our upcoming message that we will be having on Sunday as we explore Jesus and Peter on the stormy sea. By the way, did you know that these Caring Conversation starters are posted on our church Facebook and Instagram pages? You might like to share them with friends and family further afield as you connect with them and have some faith related conversations (that hopefully aren't too intimidating). God bless your week!



A weekly gathering to relax, crochet, knit, paint and share with each other.

9.30-11am

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Café

Bring your own projects or start new ones!!

For any queries

Contact 8263 5087



Craft and Coffee

Every Friday

All ages and skill levels welcome

Back on 31st January 2025

AS YOU BEGIN THE YEAR, WHAT ENCOURAGEMENT DO YOU THINK GOD IS WANTING TO SHARE WITH YOU?

IS THERE SOMETHING YOU HAVE BEEN MEANING TO GET AROUND TO?



WHAT KINDS OF THINGS MAKE IT HARD TO TRUST GOD? (AND HOW COULD THEY BE ADDRESSED?)

Office News

Café Time!!

Tea and coffee are available after Sunday services, and you are most welcome to come and enjoy!!



Name Badge Request

The cost for a replacement name badge is \$14. If you would like to order one, contact the church office on 8263 5087 or send an email to:

churchenkequiries@paravista.org.au

Notices for Weekly News



Weekly News items are to be sent to churchenkequiries@paravista.org.au / krishna.vasani@paravista.org.au by Wednesday Evening. Out of hours please leave a message on the answering system 8263 5087 or email the office and staff will respond as soon as they are able.

Connect Cards

Connect Cards are available as you enter worship. Please complete the card using pencils which are available from holders on the side of chairs in the worship centre. They may be placed in the offering boxes provided at exits as you leave. Connect Cards may be used for comments, small group or prayer requests or to communicate with office or Pastoral Care staff.

“...So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.”

Galatians 5:16 (NLT)

Safe Church

In observing Christ's command to love one another, we are to treat each other with respect and dignity. In honouring people, we are also fulfilling our responsibility under the law of the land. The LCA and Good Shepherd Para Vista is committed to ensure the church is a safe place. If anyone feels they have been subjected to sexual abuse or harassment in any form by anyone who holds a position of trust in the church, please contact:

P: 1800 644 628 E: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au

Weekly News submissions should be made by the Wed prior to Friday publication.

Regular Electronic Giving (REG): BSB 704 942 Acc. 100 354 939

Church Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9am-3pm (closed 12:30pm-1:30pm for lunch).

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