



## NOTICES

### Face to Face Services

Sunday Services  
22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026

**Montville 8.00am** – Worship  
**Maleny 10.00am** – Worship  
**Palmwoods 4.30pm** – Growing Together (gardening and shared meal) in the Community Garden

RCL Year A Readings  
(Lent 1)

Geneses 2:15-17; 3:1-7  
Ps 32  
Rom 5:12-19  
Mt 4:1-11

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1<sup>st</sup> March 2026

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RCL Year A Readings  
(Lent 2)

Gn 12:1-4a  
Ps 121  
Rom 4:1-5, 13-17  
Jn 3:1-17 or Mt 17: 1-9

### THIS WEEK

**Montville Reflection Gallery** – opens daily from 10am to 3pm (most days of the year)

**Sunday 9am** – Prayer Meetings (prior to the Maleny UC Service)

**Wednesday 8.30am** – Christian Meditation @ Maleny UC

**Friday 1.30pm** – Maleny KYB @ Maleny UC

**Saturday 8am** – Ecumenical Breakfast at Maleny UC

## COMING, COMING ...

### ECUMENICAL BREAKFAST

Saturday 28 February, 8.00 am.

Maleny UC are hosting the breakfast and will appreciate help before, during and after the event.

Speaker is Karen Westbrook. Donations for Chaplaincy.

All welcome.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 6 March at 9.30am.

The Maleny Catholic Church is hosting the WDoP featuring the Country of Nigeria.

If attending, please add your name to the list at Maleny UC or contact Nancy B.

### EASTER MADNESS

Each Easter, the Uniting Church of Australia (Queensland) conducts Easter Madness – a camp program for young people across Qld.

The main focus is to see that every young person becomes more aware of the redemptive love of God. Each year, members of this congregation financially support young people to attend.

Cards and posters with all the details are now available and will be circulated to your site this week. Keep your eye open for them.

***Kindly remember to continue to give your weekly/monthly offerings.***

***Direct Debits to***

***Blackall Range Uniting Church,  
ANZ Bank, BSB 014-507  
A/C 3762 29735***

## REFLECTION - Jesus was Tempted

Matthew 4:1-11

Forty days without food is a long time, actually surviving forty days without food is a miracle. Only God can keep you alive for that long without food.

But why was Jesus out there? Why would the Holy Spirit lead Jesus out into a desert when his ministry was going to be with the people?

Clearly God knew he wasn't ready. When they start a race, they sometimes say something like "On your mark... get set... go!" Why? Because they want to make sure you're ready.

That's why we have pre-school before school, and primary school before high school, and why we have school at all. We need to get ready - we need to learn first before we're ready for all the rest. Jesus had a huge job ahead of him. He had to surprise everyone by telling them what God is really like. He was going to perform miracles, draw huge crowds and make a big fuss all over the place. If he wasn't ready, he might mess it up.

Out there in the desert he had to learn to trust God, and not look for any short-cuts or easy ways out. He had to stay until God said "enough!" And he did.

**Read more of the reflection from our Lent**

**Resource at the [Synod's Stories and News Page](#)**

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**<https://ourcommonlife.org.au/calendar-hall-hire/>**

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To our friends at Blackall Range Uniting Churches,

As Lent approaches, churches across Australia will be praying, giving and taking action alongside our neighbours who are facing poverty and the impacts of climate change. Through our church partners in places like Timor-Leste, we're seeing real change, including families growing resilient food gardens and children moving from hunger to health.

For congregations, Lent Event makes the biggest impact when it becomes a **shared journey**, not just an individual one.

That's where **40 for the Future** comes in.

40 for the Future allows your church to create a **team page**, invite members to take part in a simple climate action for Lent and raise funds together as one community. **Creating a team is easy:**

- Visit **40 for the Future**
- Click **Register** and choose **TEAM**
- Share your team link with your congregation so members can join.

From there, people can take part in their own way, while your church journeys together through Lent with a common purpose.

Alongside this, your church will have access to [Lent Event resources](#) including weekly worship materials, prayers, videos and digital assets to support your services and groups.

If you're looking for a way to unite your congregation around faith-filled action this Lent, I warmly invite you to create a team and take part together.

With every blessing for the season ahead, **Sureka (Dr Sureka Goringe, National Director, UnitingWorld)**