



Parish Profile

Location

The Anglican Parish of the Callide Valley is located inland from Rockhampton and Gladstone, about 1 hour 40 from Rockhampton, 1 hour 20 from Gladstone). The Valley is supported by various industries including coal mines, power houses, and agricultural.

Churches

The Parish consists of four worship centres. St Gabriel's in Biloela is the main church which holds 2 services each week- Sunday at 8.30am and Wednesday at 8.45am, with a regular average attendance of 65 worshippers each week.



St Gabriel's, Biloela

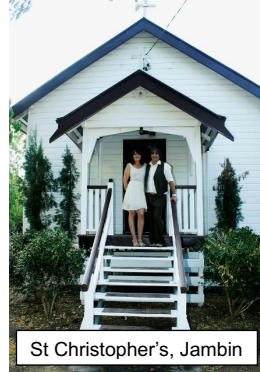
Biloela has a roster supporting various duties including readers, flower arranging, morning tea following the service, welcomers, offertory duties, mowing and power point. We also have a sacristan who sets up for each service for the Eucharist. We employ an office worker, who, each week, prepares the pew sheet and power point for the Sunday service which is projected on the wall (at St Gabriel's).





St Andrew's, Thangool

St Andrew's at Thangool, 11kms out of Biloela, currently worships twice a month on the first Saturday at 6.00pm and third Sunday at 10.30am.



St Christopher's, Jambin

St Christopher's at Jambin, 20kms from Biloela, currently meets for worship on the at 10.30am on the first Sunday of each month.



St John the Baptist, Goovigen

St John the Baptist at Goovigen, 35kms from town, currently has a service at 11.00am on the fourth Sunday of each month.

All three centres do not meet in January.

Groups:

There are three weekly *Bible Study* groups happening in Biloela. Each group offers different Bible studies to cater for various theological interests of parishioners. One of these groups is a men's.

Mainly Music caters for the littlies of Biloela, with their Mums, Dads and Grandparents, and meets each week in the hall, during the school terms.

For those who have a disability, *Coffee and Hoy* is enjoyed on the last Monday of the month where there's singing, coffee, food and lots of prizes to be won, and with lots of laughter in a game of hoy.

There are two *Guilds*, which meet regularly operating in the Parish, one at St Andrew's and the other at St Christopher's. The guilds assist in raising funds for maintenance of these centres.

Functions and Activities:

The Parish conducts a very successful Fete in September each year. Preparations are underway to host a Garden Party as well.

Social evenings are held several times a year. These evenings include a 'bring and share' meal, a time of fellowship, and an opportunity to invite our friends and family for a relaxing evening at the church.



St Gabriel's Church Hall

A Cent Sale morning planned this year, will bring in the crowd, and the money raised from this will go to children's missions.

Lay Ministers/Assistants assist with the conducting of worship and various pastoral duties. Weekly devotional services and the service of Holy Communion are conducted at the local retirement village - Wahroonga Aged Care, the lay ministers and the priest take these services.