



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN COMMUNITY, MANLY

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ST PAUL'S NEWS

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WELCOME

At St Paul's "we love because God first loved us" (1 Jn. 4:19).

We believe in the inherent goodness of all people - that the divine dwells at the heart of all living things. We believe the whole world is sacred and so we seek to celebrate God's presence among us with joy.

As such, we are committed to the spiritual growth and wellbeing of all who seek a place to belong.

St Paul's is an inclusive church, welcoming all and offering equal opportunities for those seeking an authentic spiritual community.

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Quandamooka people and their elders past, present and emerging. We honour the connection the traditional custodians have with this land.



- Aveo Adventure
- MU Dementia Workshop
- Yeronga Fire Appeal
- Remembering a life and love

Celebrating Mary Sumner



We rejoice in the life and legacy of Mary Sumner, founder of the worldwide Mother's Union movement.

Mary Sumner, the wife of a rector in Hampshire, set up a group to support mothers of all kinds in bringing up their children. After delivering a speech in 1885 to churchgoing women at the Portsmouth Church Congress, she inspired many of them to go back to their parishes and set up similar groups.

Over time the groups who met as Mothers' Union became embedded in their communities. They forged strong links with local people and the Anglican Church. They worked to support one another and **give a voice to disadvantaged women** while addressing wider societal issues. Driven by Mary Sumner's **passion for the role of women in bringing about a better society**, the groups proved very popular. By 1892, membership had reached 60,000 in 28 dioceses, growing to 169,000 members by the turn of the century. <https://www.mothersunion.org/our-story>

St Paul's Anglican Community, Manly gathers for worship every Sunday at 9.30am in the Chapel, Lota House 162 Oceana Terrace, Lota. We welcome you!

Community Matters

Mothers Union Is More Than A Cup Of Tea.

From Gwen MU Freshwater Anglican Parish Deception Bay

**MOTHERS UNION.....WE ARE Christians UNITED IN prayer
and UNITED in worship and service**

(the following is adapted from Anglican MU AUS and worldwide)

OUR VISION...Our vision is of a world where God's love is shown through loving...respectful and flourishing relationships.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION... Supporting families and the rights of ALL women and girls.

Supporting protection of children AND... Supporting those working towards the ending of world poverty inequality and injustice

To bring a united voice for change AND prayer is ALWAYS at the heart of everything that we do!!

OUR 'WAVE OF PRAYER'...It is the expression of our commitment in prayer TO EACH OTHER

OUR MOTTO..."I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phillipians 4/13)

"Mothers' Union are the heart and love of the Church." (++Justin Welby, Former Archbishop of Canterbury)

**YES!! WE ARE INDEED
MORE THAN A CUP OF TEA!!!!**

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families



A delightful community gathering at Aveo Manly Gardens

What a delight to gather at Lyn Smith's home for a simple sharing of hospitality and home communion.

There are several residents at Aveo who attend St Paul's but word of mouth and kind invitation gathered all sorts of folk from all sorts of faith backgrounds.

There is something very special about gathering in the homely surroundings of a lounge room that evokes the house church gatherings of the early church. What a privilege to share scripture, hold others before God in prayer and break bread and share wine together.

After the simple service a cuppa and a chat was very welcome as we were nourished by Lyn's afternoon tea offerings. Lots of stories were shared... travels, doing of family members, reflections on what is going on in the world.

Community in action indeed, with a lot of laughs. We will gather again on the first Monday of September.

**Would you like to host a small community gathering in your part of the parish?
Give Rev Andrew a call and we can set it up!**



In Australia, there are an estimated 433,300 people living with dementia. A diagnosis of dementia changes things. But life goes on.*



Learn more about dementia and what you, your family and friends can do to stay safe, connected, healthy and active.

Dementia Awareness Workshop
With Dementia Australia
Tuesday 26th August 2025
St Peter's Anglican Church Hall
77 Charlotte Street, Wynnum
10am-12.00pm

Organised by Manly Wynnum Mother's Union Social Responsibilities Group
and welcoming Dementia Australia.

Call Ailsa on 0432 152 400 for more information.



* www.dementia.org.au



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Yeronga Parish Appeal after the recent Rectory Fire



From our friends at Yeronga Anglican

Parish: Dear community members, Thank you for the offer of clothing and other items for the rectory residents following the fire. We have enough clothing and linen, etc items donated now.

If folk wish to support the residents, instead of dropping off items to the church, please consider financially assisting them by depositing funds (every bit helps) into the Communify gift fund, which has tax deductibility.

The Communify bank account details are below — please remember to put ‘Yeronga residents’ as the reference so

the funds go to the right people. Thank you for your generous help and care.

Bank name: Commonwealth Bank

Account name: Communify QLD Ltd

BSB: 064 123

Account #: 00902184

Reference: Yeronga Residents

In memory of David Andrew Stannard (23-11-1940 – 08-08-2023)

Amanda Moran and Ann Stannard share this story of life and love.

Amanda writes: Dementia took David/Dad/Poppy from us two years ago. Despite his illness, he always remembered his first meeting of Ann on Thursday Island in the Torres Strait in 1962 and loved to tell everyone this story. He had documented the story (below in his own words) years before his dementia worsened.

“One day in May 1962, I came in from a morning out fishing. I was dressed in my usual impeccable fishing manner; stubbies, flannelette shirt with the sleeves cut out at the shoulder, old felt hat and bare feet. All of the above was probably splashed with mackerel blood, salt water, sweat and all sorts of dirt. I went into the local café/milk bar to get a drink and there was one of the nurses with her back to me. I sneaked up behind her and throwing my arms around her and hands over her eyes said, “Guess who”. I got the bigger surprise I think, as she said, “I don’t know” and I released her thinking ‘I don’t know that voice’. She turned to face me and there stood this beautiful girl who I had never seen before. I’m not sure how I stammered my way out of that one, but I did.



A few nights later there was a party at the nurses’ quarters. I attended and was introduced to a new nurse, Ann Reed. I already knew her (sort of) as she was the beauty from the cafe, when I probably didn’t smell or look too appealing. I set out to make amends. Turning on the charm, well I thought I was any way, I did all I could to impress. During the party, I offered to show her around the island in a sports car. She thought that would be a good idea.

Now I had another problem. I didn’t have a sports car! However, a mate, Eddie Thorpe, had a “bug eye” Austin Healey sprite. The rest of the night at the party, I plied Eddie with copious quantities of scotch until I thought the time was right. Then I asked if I could borrow his car the following night to show Ann around the island. Eddie was a good mate but to this day I do not know how much of his answer was his being a good bloke and how much was the result of the scotch ingested!”

These few incidents were the start of what was a true fairy tale that would last over 60 years. Ask Ann for more stories!!!



AMUA

Retiring Collection TODAY

Sunday 10th August

Anglicare Southern Queensland's Youth Homelessness Project

The Anglicare SQ Youth Homelessness Accommodation Project currently underway in Logan aims to address the escalating housing crisis in Southern Queensland.

**Please join us to bring housing
and a better tomorrow to
vulnerable young Queenslanders
– now and for decades to come.**

The project features a modern building that is custom designed to support young people (aged 16-25) who are either experiencing or are at risk of experiencing, homelessness. Residents will also receive support focused on their social and emotional well-being from a range of psychologists, counsellors and educators.

The money donated by Mothers' Union will be spent on the four couple/family rooms located on the ground floor of the main building to provide furnishings like beds, linen, furniture for adults and children, whitegoods, towels, pillows and so on.



Scripture Readings: This Week

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Ps 50:1-8, 23-24;
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

Next week:

Isaiah 5:1-7; Ps 80:1-2, 8-19
Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-59

For your prayers:

- ♦ The Episcopal Church in the Philippines
- ♦ The Diocese of Armidale
- ♦ The Parish of Centenary Suburbs
- ♦ Anglicare Australia
- ♦ Cannon Hill Anglican College, Cannon Hill
- ♦ Yvonne, Coralie, Richard, Ann, Bruce, Judi, Brad, J and J, Chloe and Family, Shirley, Maggie, Val, Vivien, Zoe, Ben, Bev, Desley, Daryl, Michael, Peter, Jean, Marilynne, Georgia

The Mother's Union Prayer

Loving Lord

We thank you for your love
so freely given to us all.

We pray for families around the world.

Bless the work of the Mothers' Union
as we seek to share your love through the
encouragement, strengthening and
support of marriage and family life.

Empowered by your Spirit,
may we be united in prayer and worship,
and in love and service reach out
as your hands across the world.

In Jesus' name.

Amen

What's On

Every week

Monday 10.30am EM Tooth Prayer and Praise

Tuesday 9.30am Bible Reflection/discussion @ the Chapel

Wednesday 7pm Men's Ministry, Wynnum

Sunday 9.30 Parish Eucharist @ Lota House Chapel

Coming up in August

9th Cursillo Meeting

10th Mary Sumner Day Celebration and MU Anglicare Collection

13th MU Deanery Quiet Day Algeester

13th E M Tooth Residents Eucharist **Cancelled this month**

11th –14th Rev Andrew at Regional Clergy Conference

21st Tatters and Chatters @ Wynnum 2pm

26th MU Morning Prayer 9.30am

26th MU Dementia Awareness Workshop 10am

Coming up in September

1st Season of Creation begins

14th Anglicare Sunday

Please let Rev Andrew know of any upcoming events

The Vicar's Voice

After a few weeks of events, meetings and pastoral connections this past week has been a wee bit gentler... well around the events, meetings and pastoral



connections. The blue skies always lift the spirits and I have been grateful for a few opportunities to sit by our glorious bay and breathe a little of the beauty and glory of our God's creation.

Plans are afoot for activities in September as we engage again with the Season of Creation and build on some of the moments of awe, wonder and reflection we tapped into last year. You can anticipate some staring at the sea, gazing at the garden, being in the bush and pausing in the park over the month culminating in my favourite feast day... the blessing of the animals on St Francis Day!

Parish Council continue beavering away at how we might best use our resources of time, talent and finance into the future with a mind for how we deepen and nourish our existing congregation as well as responding to the call to develop new relationships and gatherings in the broader Bayside community. Please keep them in your prayers.

I will be away for all this next week at the annual Southern Region Conference in Noosa. Beautiful surrounds to sit in a conference room for most of the day, but shared prayer, reflection, lively discussion and speakers will be enhanced by the occasional coffee in Hastings Street and ocean meditation times. The theme is "*Celebrating our bodies, minds and souls*" and includes keynote speakers Dr Iain McGilchrist, Psychiatrist and Neuroscientist and Dr Louise Gosbell, Theological Educator and Disability Advocate. Sounds great!!

Every blessing

Andrew

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