



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.



- Pet Blessing pics and stories
- A New Archbishop of Canterbury
- Tingalpa Chapel Event Details
- Pete's Pantry does great things

A Serenade for St Francis



A musical maestro was in fine voice at our celebration of the Feast of St Francis Pet Blessing. Wee Baxter was arguably more in tune than many as he sang along in time to *All Things* at the top of his woof.

More pics of a great day inside.

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



All Creatures of Our God and King, Lift up your voice and to him sing!!!

It was certainly a morning of music and maybe a little mayhem as we welcomed our furry friends into the Chapel for our annual Celebration of the Feast of St Francis and the Blessing of Pets. Most were well behaved, even the two legged ones, as we celebrated the wonder of our faithful companions.

We were blessed with the furry goodness of Giddie, Chewie and Baxter who eagerly led their people in sniffing, licking, woofing and generally claiming their space. Baxter was in fine voice, most welcome when it accompanied his favourite hymn *All Things Bright and Beautiful*. All were very good pups indeed!



In the Footsteps of St Francis.

Our pet blessings around the world on St Francis Day are inspired by his own love for all creation... very suitable for the end of the Season of Creation.



St Francis saw all living things as his brothers and sisters and reflective of the glory, creativity and faithful love of God. Legends abound of his encounters with animals wild and tame at a time when not all of God's creation was appreciated for the gift it is.

Here at St Paul's, many of our folk brought along pictures of animal companions and stories of how much impact they have had in their lives.

We had cats who ruled the house with a gentle purr and claws of steel. We have woofers who were important end of life companions, icons of love in tough times and friendly bundles of fun. Val shared a great story of the wonderful barking that saved her life... or at least from sitting on a bike with a snake wrapped around the seat.

All who shared their pics spoke of how much richer their animal friends had made their lives and how deeply they had touched their hearts. Our prayers built on that appreciation and also encouraged us to be active advocates for those animals in danger or being mistreated.



Our Marilyne has some great stories to share about the various animals she has created and shared her sheep that has participated in Nativity plays for decades. She went home smiling as her grandchildren Will, Darcie and Phoebe, received a prize each for their creativity in colouring a picture of Saint Francis. The youngest, Darcie, was very pleased to be awarded the fluffy grey kangaroo and joey and proudly report that mum kangaroo is called Gogo and the wee joey is henceforth known as Coco.



**Arguably the Best Day of the year
Well apart from Easter and Christmas
and Pentecost and ...**

The Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally DBE to become 106th Archbishop of Canterbury

According to the Archbishop of Canterbury's website, His Majesty The King has approved the nomination of the Bishop of London, the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally, as the next Archbishop of Canterbury.

The 106th Archbishop of Canterbury since Saint Augustine arrived in Kent from Rome in 597, Bishop Sarah will be the first woman to hold the office. She will be installed in a service at Canterbury Cathedral in March 2026.

Sarah Mullally has been the Bishop of London since 2018, the first woman appointed to that role, and before that was Bishop of Crediton in the Diocese of Exeter.

Prior to her ordination in 2001, she was the Government's Chief Nursing Officer for England – the youngest person ever to be appointed to that role at the age of 37 – having previously specialised as a cancer nurse. Bishop Sarah has described nursing as "an opportunity to reflect the love of God".

The most senior bishop in the Church of England, the Archbishop of Canterbury's ministry combines many roles including serving as the Diocesan Bishop of the Diocese of Canterbury, Primate of All England and Metropolitan, as well as primus inter pares – or first among equals – of the Primates of the global Anglican Communion, which consists of around 85 million people, across 165 countries.

Bishop Sarah said: *"As I respond to the call of Christ to this new ministry, I do so in the same spirit of service to God and to others that has motivated me since I first came to faith as a teenager. At every stage of that journey, through my nursing career and Christian ministry, I have learned to listen deeply – to people and to God's gentle prompting – to seek to bring people together to find hope and healing. I want, very simply, to encourage the Church to continue to grow in confidence in the Gospel, to speak of the love that we find in Jesus Christ and for it to shape our actions. And I look forward to sharing this journey of faith with the millions of people serving God and their communities in parishes all over the country and across the global Anglican Communion. I know this is a huge responsibility but I approach it with a sense of peace and trust in God to carry me as He always has."*

Bishop Anthony Poggo, Secretary General of the Anglican Communion, said: *May God grant her wisdom and discernment, as she seeks to listen to Member churches, encourage mutual support, and foster unity. Let us pray that God will pour out His Spirit on the Anglican Communion to boldly share Christ's transformational love and the hope of the Gospel in today's world."*

Archbishop elect Sarah is pictured here meeting with our Archbishop Jeremy and Brisbane Anglicans on her visit with us last year.



More stuff to engage with community and God's love at St Paul's

Tingalpa Pioneer Chapel and Cemetery Decoration Day.

Saturday 11th October 2025, 9 til Noon

We have been invited to support this event and raise a little money for us too!! Rev Andrew will be sharing the blessing that has become part of the day of community connection, fun and friendship. There will be all sorts of activities including a specially made golf course. This will make folk hungry and St Paul's has agreed to run a Sausage Sizzle Brunch Stall.

Nadia has agreed to co-ordinate but we need helpers to run the stall, collect money, help tidy up and generally be a visible presence at this community event even for an hour or two.

Contact Nadia on nadia@casadellawilson.com or 0407 395 351



Parish Council invites you to join them for a time of thinking and planning

**Mission Action Plan Workshop
19th October 11am - 3pm
including BYO lunch**

As we move into the next phase of our life as a community Parish Council continues the work of building on the Mission Action Plan that has got us to where we are now. Much has been achieved so we need to update our hopes, dreams and aspirations for the path ahead. This is also preparation for a working meeting with Bishop John and Archdeacon Br Donald in early December.

Have a chat to Rev Andrew or a parish councillor if you'd like to know more.

Pete's Pantry Gearing up for Christmas

Last week Rev Andrew had yet another cuppa and maybe a tiny piece of cheesecake at a thank you morning tea at Pete's Pantry. It was great to meet up with Rhonda (pictured) and some of the volunteers that work on other days and hear some of the planning for the months ahead.

The Pantry will be packing their famous and generous Christmas Hampers as usual and is already on the lookout for donations of appropriate Christmas goodies... and thinking about what volunteer help they need.

Watch this space for more details of Wynnum works and how we at Manly can also respond in the weeks ahead.



Scripture Readings: St Francis Day

Jeremiah 29:1,4-7; Psalm 66:1-11,
2 Timothy: 8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Next week:

Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104;
2 Timothy 3:10-4:5; Luke 18:1-14

For your prayers:

- ♦ The Church of the Province of Uganda
- ♦ The Diocese of Grafton
- ♦ The Parish of Quilpie
- ♦ Converge International Industrial Chaplain
- ♦ St John's Anglican College, Forest Lake

Yvonne, Coralie, Richard, Ann, Bruce, Judi, Brad, J, Chloe and Family, Shirley, Maggie, Val, Vivien, Zoe, Ben, Ali, Desley, Bev, Daryl, Michael, Peter, Jean, Marilyne, Carmel, Rev Sandy, Heidi, Fred, Beryl, Atholl

A prayer for the Archbishop of Canterbury-designate

God our Father, Lord of the church,
We thank you for calling Sarah Mullally
to be our new Archbishop of Canterbury
We thank you for her willingness
to respond to your call,
and pray that you would pour upon her the strength,
wisdom and vision that she needs
as she leads and serves us.
May we in turn commit to praying for Archbishop of
Canterbury-designate Sarah and her family,
that you would bless and protect them,
and enable your church to walk together
under her leadership in grace, unity and love.
We ask this through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

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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 October

11th Cursillo 10.30am
11th Tingalpa Pioneer Chapel Decoration Day
11th LinC AGM 2pm
15th Rev Andrew @ Pete's Pantry 8.30-11am
16th Tatters and Chatters@ Wynnum 2pm
19th Parish Council MAP Planning
28th MU AGM & Meeting 9.30 am

Coming up in November

1st Car Boot Sale
2nd All Saints Day

Let Rev Andrew know of any upcoming community events

The Vicar's Voice

What a man of energy, action and activity!!

Luckily I have much experience in sitting down. This week I sat down at Tatters and Chatters showing knitting talents or aspirations therein. I sat down at the Car Boot Sale providing supervision and moral guidance. I sat down at Aveo Manly Gardens with communion and community and sat down fairly effectively at our EM Tooth Resident's Eucharist. I sat down with our Bev Giles, Wynnum's Rev Sam and with Bishop Sarah. In case you're worried I did do some sitting down on my own couch too. A highly developed ministry of the sit that uses most of my best assets. May your sitting be blessed too! *Andrew*



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