



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.



- Mega MAP Moments
- Lots of Stuff to DO
- Chapel News
- Vale Maggie



MAP Minds Meet and Muse

That's Mission Action Planning for those wondering. Despite the very unkind and untrue rumours that Parish Council just sat about eating snacks and talking about their overseas holidays last Sunday, the actual truth is a committed hardworking group of folk who brought their collective wisdom to the day.

Ok, the pic is of the lunch break but Fr Andrew was in sheep mustering mode and cracked the whip only allowing a 25 minute lunch break to rest the brain, get some sustenance and move a little blood around the extremities.

Kudos particularly to the Crisps for rocking up but possibly with lingering jet lag from their very recent return from fab Japanese jaunting. All gave a sterling effort and ok a few cool travel stories were shared over lunch too!

More MAP moments 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

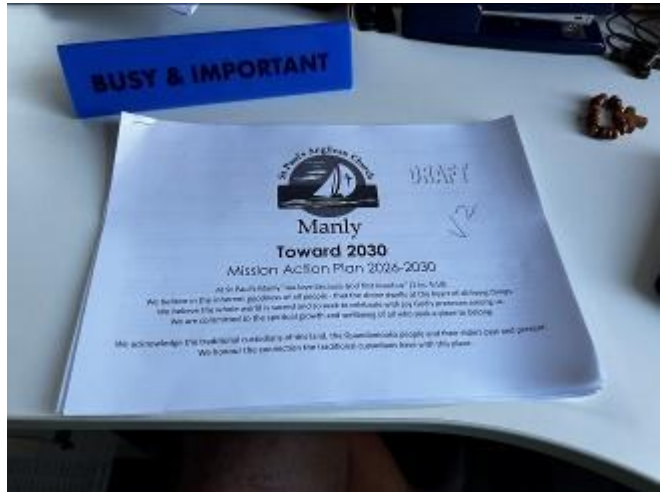
MAPPING THE FUTURE AT MANLY

Over the last 12 months Parish Council has been slowly chipping away at renewing our Mission Action Plan – MAP. So much great work was done on the original MAP to shape the move from Ernest Street and settling into life as a virtual parish, worshipping at the Lota House Chapel. With so much achieved, we need to set our hopes, dreams and aspirations for the next 5 years.

Why do we need a MAP?

Well on one level its an administrative document the Diocese uses to help decision making about even small transactions around our accounts and definitely when big projects like the new chairs and the sound system are in planning. A good MAP will outline the thinking and the planning for life in the years ahead and helps parish council stay on track... while tempering the enthusiasms of clergy with wild ideas.

A MAP is a living document and should reflect things we are currently doing that we should continue and develop, things that are works in progress, and aspirational things we would hope to achieve over the the period. It is not meant to be prescriptive but a guide of decision making and planning. Key issues for us at St Paul's is that anything we plan needs to be realistic and sustainable given our resources of time, people, talents and finances. We can dream all we like but things have to be doable.



So where are we up to?

Last year we affirmed that the Way of St Paul's and the Vision we have been working with is still very much at the heart of St Paul's. The key words of **The Way of St Paul's – Jesus, Spirituality, Communion and Tradition-** are on our screen and on our newsletter every week. You can read about them on our website if you need a refresh. We also discussed, nuanced and suggested that the Vision and Values below reflected our common understanding and hopes.

Vision 2030: St Paul's is an inclusive, flourishing faith community, proclaiming and serving, worshipping and learning.

Our Values shape all we aspire to be and do, and give us a measuring point when making decisions.

Faithful: Living in trustful obedience to God as revealed in Jesus Christ, grounded in Scripture, nourished by prayer and the sacraments, and expressed in a life of worship, service, and community. To be faithful is to remain steadfast in our calling as the Church, even in the face of change or challenge.

Imaginative: Embracing creativity and vision, we seek to respond to God's call in ways that speak freshly and meaningfully to our time. Rooted in tradition yet open to the Spirit's movement, we use imagination to reimagine worship, ministry, and mission for a changing world.

Courageous: Guided by the Holy Spirit, we speak and act with boldness for justice, compassion, and truth. Courage calls us to confront fear, resist injustice, and stand with the vulnerable—trusting in God's presence even when the cost is high.

Authentic: Living with integrity and transparency, we strive to be true to who we are—both as individuals and as a church. Authenticity means bringing our whole selves before God and one another, without pretense, and fostering a community where grace and truth meet.

Comprehensive: Honouring the Anglican tradition of breadth and inclusion, we value diversity of thought, worship, and experience. We seek unity in Christ amid difference, welcoming all into a generous and thoughtful faith that holds Scripture, Tradition, and Reason in dynamic tension.

What do you think of these ideas?

Have a chat to a Parish Councillor if you'd like to pass on any thoughts or comments!

We also agreed that we definitely still share the 5 Marks of Mission of the Anglican Communion which can also be found on our website.



We discussed, nuanced and suggested that 5 sets of Aims for the key areas of Worship, Faith Formation, Pastoral Care, Outreach and Ministry and Stewardship were appropriate for where we are at and where we hope to be in 5 years time.

Worship

Aim: In 2030 we will be a vibrant and engaged community of all ages that gathers joyfully

- nourished by scripture, sacrament, music and other people of faith
- challenged, enlivened, motivated, supported and strengthened
- inspired to be genuine disciples of Jesus The Word in lifestyle and action

Faith Formation

Aim: In 2030 we will be a diverse community growing in knowledge of, love for, and enjoyment of God

- supported in exploring our faith , individually and as a community
- able to share and explain our faith clearly
- able to respond to the challenges and complexities of life
- people who accept the call to extend the kingdom of God

Pastoral Care

Aim: In 2030 we will be people who respond to need within the three communities of care linked to the parish

- By offering effective individual pastoral care to our existing and future worshipping communities
- Collaborating with the staff and families to provide effective pastoral care to the Residents of E M Tooth and The Village Manly communities
- Reaching out and nurturing those in need of pastoral care within the broader Bayside community

Outreach and Ministry

Aim: In 2030 we will be people visibly engaged in our local community and in helping those in need by:

- Nurturing the vocation to service of each member of our parish in whatever context is appropriate to their gifts
- Collaborating with our partner churches and other community groups to contribute to meeting local needs
- Actively engaging in learning and action that promotes peace, justice and care for the planet
- participating in the wider mission outreach of the church in the diocese, nation and the world

Stewardship

Aim: In 2030 we will be a diverse community of people who are motivated, empowered and resourced to use our time and talents for ministry by:

- using our resources efficiently and effectively for mission
- being financially sustainable, accountable and ethical
- making efficient and effective use of personnel, processes and resources
- maximize the widest possible use of our resources

There's lots more as we identified specific goals and actions but we will share those once we've had a bit more work on them. We are in that slightly tedious but important stage of looking at words and actions up close but we are confident we will end up with a really useful and dare we say exciting plan to the next five years.

We are going to have to have another go at it this coming Sunday 26th from 11am -1pm.

Chapel News

There are developments at the Chapel as the temporary wall has now come down!! How exciting. It all looks very nice! Here's some updates .

- We can start using the toilets at the back of the chapel and in Lota House.
- We will be able to access the Parlour and the water and sink in the kitchenette after the 10th of November.
- We will be able to use the door at the ramp side of the chapel once full handover has been provided between the 3rd of November and the 10th November.
- We can now move the cupboard and notice board back onto the back wall..
- Handover is still a couple of weeks away for the administration building.
- Demolition of the administration building will start on the 17th November.



Car Boot Sale Doings

Our November Car Boot Sale is on Saturday November 2nd at the Church of the Nazarene, Meadowlands Road, Carina.

We would love any good quality but unwanted Christmas décor items. If its time for a clearout or you just want space for a new stash, we'd love to take them off your hands.

We also love any good quality household stuff too.

Talk to Rev Andrew or Ailsa about dropping stuff off.

Tuesday Morning Scripture Reflection and Discussion

Our Scriptologists were in fine form last Tuesday as they delved deeper into the Gospel from last Sunday. There were lots of questions about the power of our prayer sparked by the Parable of the Very Persistent Widow and as always many delightful meandering paths of questions and thinking were traversed.

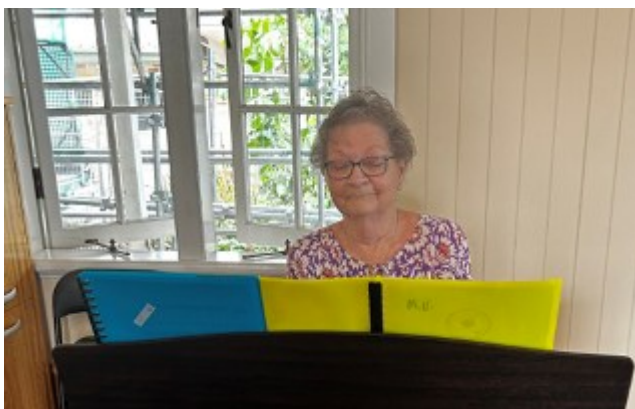
It really is a blessed time of open thinking, shared learning and some good old storytelling. We have laughs, ponder the complexities and weirdness of the world but always come away refreshed and inspired.



You don't have to commit to always being there...

...we love drop ins and the fresh perspectives other folk bring to our discussions.

We gather at 9.30am every Tuesday except for the 4th Tuesday of the month (MU Meeting Day)



Welcome Back Bev!!

Well here is a delightful development! Our Bev has been back in the saddle... well perched on the organ bench... at our Sunday services after a big break. We are so thankful she is with us again and for the gentle and skilled hands that helped her on her path over the last few months. We are so grateful for Bev and Mark for the care and love they put into our music ministry. They'll be working together as Bev eases her way into sharing her ministry of melody with us as she is able.

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

**Sunday 2nd November
All Saints/All Souls Day
Commemoration
of all the Faithful Departed**

One of the poignant traditions on All Souls Day is to read the names of those we have loved who now rest in God's Arms. There will be a place at the back of the to write names you would like read aloud as part of our intercessions next week. Feel free to include as many people as you like. You can also email names to Rev Andrew on priest@stpaulsmanly.org.au



ALL SAINTS DAY - NOVEMBER, 1ST
ALL SOULS DAY - NOVEMBER, 2ND



2025 Christmas Hamper Appeal

**Please Donate If You Can
Just One Item Will Help.
The Target Is 200 Hampers
For Folks In Need At Christmas.**

Drop off locations:

**Alex Givney Councillor,
Office 3A/212 Bay Terrace Wynnum 4178.
Joan Pease MP,
Office 100 Edith Street Wynnum 4178.
Kara Cook MP,
Office 69 Clara Street Wynnum 4178.
Coles Wynnum Central 4178,
Coles Purchased Items Only. (Pantry Trolley)
St Pete's Pantry
86 Bride St Wynnum 4178 (Monday & Wednesday).**



**XMAS CAKE
PUDDING
TIN HAM / SPAM
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MINCED PIES
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TINNED FISH
PACKET JELLIES
CHIPS / LOLLIES
CHOCOLATES
NUTS & NIBBLES
TINNED FRUIT**



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LET'S CELEBRATE OUR 10TH

**PAINT THE BAYSIDE
ORANGE BREAKFAST**



**GUEST SPEAKER
DARRYL GARDINER**

**26 NOVEMBER 2025
6.45 AM - 8.30 AM**

**Sapphire Room, Wynnum
Manly Leagues Club**

COST \$35 PER PERSON

**Ailsa is taking names now
to book tables for St Paul's.**



COMMUNITY DINNER

**Men's Ministry and Friend's
Community Dinner.**

**7pm, Wednesday 29th October
Fielder's Club,
Bognor Road Tingalpa**

Talk to Chris and Nick if you'd like to join us at this beautiful night of hospitality and welcome for anyone, bloke or not.

Scripture Readings This Week

Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65;
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:15-30

Next week: All Saints/All Souls

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149;
Ephesians 1:11-223, Luke 6:20-31

For your prayers:

- ♦ The Church in Wales
- ♦ The Diocese of Wangaratta
- ♦ The Parish of St John's Cathedral
- ♦ Anglicare SQ Mission, Research and Advocacy
- ♦ Tatters and Chatters Ministry

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

A Prayer for Deep Listening

God of silence and God of all sound,
help me to listen.

Help me to do the deep listening
to the sounds of my soul,
waiting to hear your soft voice
calling me deeper into you.

Give me attentive ears
that begin to separate
the noise from the sounds that are you;
you who have been speaking to me
and through me my whole life,
for so long that you can seem
like background noise.
Today help me hear you anew.

Author Unknown

Source: <https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/>

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

26th Parish Council MAP Planning Part 2, 11am-1pm
28th MU AGM and Meeting 9.30 am
29th Men's Group and Friends Community Dinner 7pm
31st All Hallow's Evening

Coming up in November

1st All Saints Day
1st Car Boot Sale, Meadowlands Road Carindale
2nd All Saints/All Souls Day Parish Eucharist
3rd Aveo Community Eucharist
5th E M Tooth Volunteers Thank You event
6th Tatters and Chatters @ Wynnum Library 2pm

Eternal Rest for Maggie

It's with sadness we share the news that our lovely Maggie Stewart has taken her final journey to rest in God's arms. Maggie and Brian have been a beautiful presence in our Sunday worship for such a long time and much loved at E M Tooth.

All the way, Maggie has been supported and cared for so faithfully by her husband Brian who was right by her side every day right until the end.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

**The Celebration of Maggie's Life
will be conducted by Fr Daniel**

assisted by Fr Andrew

**at 11am on Wednesday 29th October
at the Hemmant Chapel,
500 Hemmant Tingalpa Road,
Hemmant.**



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