

## ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN COMMUNITY, MANLY

## **SUNDAY 9th November 2025**

# ST PAUL'S NEWS

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### Car Boot Sale Cool

We had a very successful morning last Saturday at our penultimate stall at the Church of the Nazarene Car Boot sale in Carina. Our lovely plant lady Anise gave some more of her amazing bromeliads and other potted plants which with the best prices at the market attracted a lot of attention. Our sale of card and craft making materials gets a lot of interest and we were leading the pack in producing some Christmas themed good. Amanda and Marilyne showed the Christmas spirit in buckets!

Ailsa, Robyn and Seb did their amazing job of setting up and organising that is such a great gift to us. Spirits lifted by the visit of the People's Warden and Manly Treasurer who went home with more plants than they anticipated.

We missed the caffeinated beverages of Chris and Isobel but made do with lots of stimulating conversation instead.

Some great community connections were made and over \$500 raised.

### **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.

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

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Quandamooka people and their elders past and present.

We honour the connection the traditional custodians have with this place



- Ailsa at AC
- Joyful Jack
- A pause to ponder hospitality
- Fr Sandy's lifetime of service

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

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## **Community Matters**

## Our Ailsa at MU Australia Council

My Experience at the Anglican Mothers Union Australia Council Meeting

Ailsa Gill writes: After accepting the invitation to nominate for the position of Treasurer with Anglican Mothers Union Australia, I was invited as an observer to this year's Australia Council (AC) meeting. It was held at the beautiful Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre in Baulkham Hills, Sydney.



AC meets twice during each triennium, and this was the second meeting for the current term. Members who had completed their three- or six-year service were farewelled and new members, including myself, were warmly welcomed.

There were over 40 of us gathered, representing 22 dioceses across Australia, along with members from New Zealand, the Solomon Islands, and our Zone C President representing Papua New Guinea. Hearing the reports from each diocese was both interesting and inspiring . So many different ways that MU members are supporting families and communities through prayer, outreach, and action.

We also heard from Vice Presidents with special responsibility for Parenting and Do-

mestic Violence and various departments, including Prayer and Spirituality, Overseas and Northern Outreach, MiaMia, Social Issues and Action, Promotion and Communication, and Publications. With all those reports plus motions to be passed, it's no surprise our meeting papers ran over 90 pages!

In between the business sessions, we enjoyed times of worship, Bible study, interactive discussions, and heard from a very thought provoking guest speaker. We also linked via Zoom with our Worldwide President, Kathleen Snow, in Canada, and with Mary Sumner House in London.





It was a busy few days but an uplifting experience. I was privileged to meet so many dedicated MU members who have served faithfully for many years — people passionate about living out the aims of MU through local and international projects that support families and communities.



# We celebrate the Penultimate Car Boot Sale!











We are so grateful to the team who have been representing us and raising welcome funds to assist our ministry at the car boot sale each month.

Not pictured are Paul Gill, Chief Transport Officer and our Chris who must have been busy behind the coffee machine when these pics were taken. Also not pictured are the bacon and egg sandwiches and baked goods that get snacked on while we chat.



## Jolly Jack and the Word of God

Such a delight to welcome wee Jack, Mum and Dad Marrie and Elliott and folk far too young to be grandparents. Jack joined us for his Anointing with the Oil of Catechumens as preparation for his Baptism this week. The big smiles in the pics are indicative of the bundle of joy that was Jack when Amanda presented him with a Children's Bible following the Anointing on behalf of MU.

Anointing with the Oil of Catechumen signifies the beginning of a time of preparation for Baptism. The oil stands as a symbol for the strength that the Spirit can give to candidate during that time. It given using the sign of the cross to signify the candidate's desire to follow more closely the way of Christ.

Marrie and Elliott were asked what they seek in bringing Jack for Baptism and answered emphatically "We want to know God's presence, to feel God's love for us, and to live in a richer light." After the service, Jen and Fr Andrew spent some time with our Come to the Water session going through the significance of Baptism.

We're looking forward to Jack's Baptism this Sunday.





## **Congratulation Rev!**

Last week the Rotary Club of Wynnum & Manly bestowed a well-deserved lifetime membership upon club member and now E M Tooth resident, Fr Sandy Marshall OAM.

An honour to salute his impressive record of over 50 years in at least 4 Rotary clubs, a shining example of commitment and perseverance.

## Pause for thought: The Ministry of Hospitality

One of the things that the people of St Paul's is good at is Hospitality. Whether it's the simple welcome at



church, moving a chair to make someone comfortable, offering an invitation to an event, making a cuppa and offering a biscuit, pausing to listen, inviting folk into our homes... these acts are important ministry!

**Hospitality** reflects God's love and character: Hospitality is seen as a practical way to show God's love and generosity to others, mirroring the welcome Jesus extended to people during his ministry.

Hospitality builds community and belonging: It fosters a welcoming environment where people can feel genuinely wanted and cared for, encouraging a sense of spiritual family rather than just being a place to attend services.

Hospitality fulfills biblical commands: The practice is rooted in biblical teachings, with verses like Hebrews 13:2 reminding believers to "show hospitality to strangers".

Hospitality supports church growth and mission: Historically, hospitality was crucial for spreading the Gospel by supporting

traveling missionaries and teachers, a role that continues today.

**Hospitality** aids in personal spiritual growth: Practicing hospitality requires individuals to step outside their comfort zones, challenge biases, and build empathy, which can lead to personal healing and stronger relationships.

# Are You Ready to Give Thanks?

St Paul's Thanksgiving Sunday is next week
Sunday the 16th November.

Thanksgiving Sunday doesn't involve Turkey meals and pumpkin pie... although it could to be fair. It's a celebration of all we are, of the creativity of our hands and the Spirit of love and hope that drives us all.

While our planned special guest, Bishop Bill Ray, is unable to join us, we are pleased to announce that our negotiations with our crack auctioneer have been successful! We welcome Craig and his skills with the gavel.

OH, GIVE

THANKS

TO THE LORD FOR HE IS GOOD!
FOR HIS MERCY ENDURES FOREVER.

Psalm One Thirty Six: One

But we need the work of your hands. Fr Andrew

is busily crafting a gorgeous knitted item at Tatters and Chatters.... It may be a rug, a scarf or a dish cloth... time will tell! Bidding will be intense and competitive so start saving up so you don't miss out.

What can you offer to share, be auctioned and contribute to our work here in the Chapel and beyond?

#### **Scripture Readings This Week**

Job 19:23-27; Psalm 17:1-9; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5,13-17; Luke 20:27-40

> Next week: Thanksgiving Sunday Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 67; 2 Corinthians 9:6-12; John 6:27-35

#### For your prayers:

- ♦ The Church in the Province of the West Indies
- ♦ The Diocese of Canberra-Goulburn
- The Parish of Toowoomba, St Luke's
- Men's Sheds
- St Aidan's Anglican Girls' School, Corinda
- Manly Cursillo Group

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

Bev and Darryl give thanks for prayers answered and the kindness they have received from so many.

### A prayer for all baptised people

Dear Lord, We thank you for your love, that we have become sons and daughters of a heavenly Father. We pray for all those who have been baptised in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. May we walk forward, cleansed of sin, embraced and loved by the Father. May we follow the leading of the Lord Jesus Christ, guiding our path. And may we be full of the Holy Spirit, flowing with love and grace, drinking in the truth of God and pouring out your hope and redemption into a broken world. Amen.

From www.lords-prayer-words.com



#### **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 November**

5th E M Tooth Volunteers Thank You event
6th Tatters and Chatters @ Wynnum Library 2pm
8th Cursillo 10.30am
9th Defence Force Sunday/Baptism of Jack Gibson
9th Parish Council 11am-1pm
11th Remembrance Day
12th EM Tooth Residents Eucharist 2pm
12th E M Tooth Volunteers Thank You 2.30pm

16th Thanksgiving Day and Auction

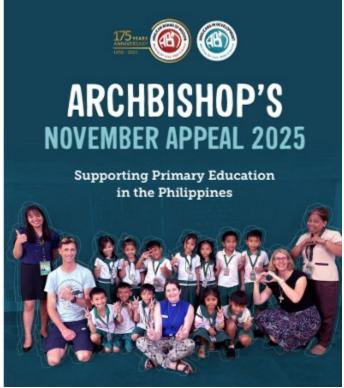
20th Tatters and Chatters ends for 2025

26th MU Eucharist, planning and Christmas Breakup 9.30am

26th Zonta Paint the Town Orange Breakfast 6.45am

30th Advent 1 Angel Blessing/Giving Tree Launch







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