



Manly

St Paul's News

St Paul's Anglican Community, Manly
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26 July 2026

President: Archdeacon Allan Paulsen

St Paul's Anglican Community, Manly

We gather every Sunday at 10.00am in the Chapel, Lota House, 162 Oceana Terrace, Lota. Please join us for a cuppa before the service.

All are welcome at St Paul's

"We love because God first loved us" (1 John, 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.

Support Our Ministry

Bank: Anglican Financial Services

Account: Manly Anglican Parish

BSB: 704-901

Account No.: 00000690

Reference: 'offering'

Our Prayer List

Lynn B, Tony, Ann, Rev Andrew, Val, Brian S, Lisa P, Geoff, Glenda, Richard, Bruce, Judi, Shirley and Brad, Peter and Judith.

To add to our prayer list, please email prayer@stpaulsmanly.org.

Please let us know if urgent and when prayers are no longer required.

Parish Council

From the nominators, a process has not commenced yet to find a Priest for the Parish and that is at the direction of the Diocese.

We are continuing to engage with the Diocese to look at options for the future ministry of the Parish.

Fr Allan is currently with us until October and we are very grateful that he has

also agreed to continue after that date as much as he is available.

Discussions have taken place with Wynnum Parish following the very successful joint Patronal service. As a result, it has been agreed to have combined services with St Peters when a fifth Sunday occurs. The next one will be on 30 August at St Peters. More details regarding this service will follow.



Synod Report 2026 (Part One)

Synod Representatives: Nadia Wilson and Jennifer Crisp

Synod began on Friday evening with a service at St John's Cathedral, where Dr Elizabeth J Smith AM delivered a stimulating sermon.

The annual report from the diocesan parish data collection had a recommendation for all parishes to consider doing one higher level of engagement for children within their service. We can explore some activity sheets as a starting point for our church.

The main focus of Synod was consideration of five Canon amendments. Four were passed (three without amendment and one with amendments), while one proposed by St Paul's representatives was not put to a vote.

Key Canon Amendments

The **Diocesan Governance Canon Amendment** established a new Anglican Ministry Development Commission (MDC), replacing the Ministry Education Commission and the Parishes and Other Mission Agencies Commission. After significant discussion about governance and accountability, the amendment was passed with changes.

The **Professional Standards Canon Amendment** brought diocesan processes into line with Queensland's new Reportable Conduct Scheme under the *Child Safe Organisations Act 2024*, strengthening requirements for reporting and investigating allegations of harm to children. This amendment was passed.

The **Training and Professional Supervision Canon Amendment** introduced an additional clergy review process. Despite concerns about duplication, the amendment was passed.

For Your Prayers

Sunday 26 July 2026

- The Anglican Church of Tanzania
- The Diocese of Wangaratta
- The Parish of Tamborine Mountain
- Anglicare SQ Symes Grove Residential Aged Care – Taigum

Prayer of the Week

Sunday 26 July 2026

O God,
the protector of all that trust in you,
without whom nothing is
strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your
mercy,
that, with you as our ruler and guide,
we may so pass through things temporal
that we finally lose not the things
eternal.
Grant this, O heavenly Father,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Contact Us

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The **General Synod Legislation Canon Amendment** adopted child protection measures approved by General Synod in 2022 and was passed. The **Diocesan Council Canon Amendment**, proposed by Jennifer Crisp and seconded by Dr Clyde Anderson, sought changes to the distribution of proceeds from parish property sales. The proposal generated significant discussion, with concerns raised about the impact on diocesan growth initiatives and administration, while supporters highlighted the need for greater confidence among parishes when making decisions about property and ministry development. The Archbishop acknowledged the importance of the issue and thanked Jennifer for raising it. Recognising that further work was needed, Synod decided not to proceed to a vote. The motion raised by Jennifer has prompted Bishop John to open discussion again with St Paul's Manly Parish re: funding.

Part Two of the Synod Report will be in next week's newsletter.

Scripture Readings

Sunday 26 July - Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 29.15-28, Psalm 105.1-11, Romans 8.26-39, Matthew 13.44-58

Sunday 2 August - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 32.22-31, Psalm 17.1-7; 17.16, Romans 9.1-8, Matthew 14.13-21

Sunday 9 August - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 37.1-4; 37.12-28, Psalm 105.1-6; 105.16-22, Romans 10.4-15, Matthew 14.22-36

Sunday 16 August - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 45.1-15, Psalm 133, Romans 11.13-32, Matthew 15.21-28

What's On

Every week

Monday 10:30am, **EM Tooth Prayer and Praise**

Tuesday 9:30am, **Bible Reflection**/discussion, Lota House Chapel

Wednesday 7pm, **Men's Ministry**, St Peter's Wynnum

Sunday 10am **Parish Eucharist**, Lota House Chapel (9:30am for a cuppa)

Monthly services

Mothers' Union 3rd Tuesday 9am, St Peter's

Manly Gardens AVEO service 1st Monday 2pm

EM Tooth Residents Eucharist 2nd Wednesday 1:30pm, Lota House Chapel

NOTE: 1st Wednesday only in August

Tatters & Chatters, 1st & 3rd Thursday 10am – 12pm,
Wynnum Library

Coming up in July & August

Tuesday 28 July Hymns & Pimms, 9:30am Eucharist St Peter's chapel, 10am Hymns & Pimms in St Peter's hall, Wynnum. Everyone's welcome and bring a friend!

Wednesday 5 August EM Tooth Residents Eucharist, 1:30pm, Lota House Chapel

Sunday 30 August Combined Service, St Peters Wynnum - details to follow

Click on the link below to see upcoming Anglican community events anglicanfocus.org.au/category/events

