

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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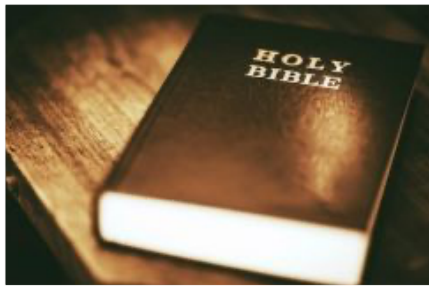
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Pastoral Message

All Saints' Day is one of those traditions to which we hold whose origins remain unclear. In the modern era we celebrate on November 1 all the saints, known and unknown, who have returned home to God. We have often also appended All Souls' Day to this remembrance - the day we commemorate all the faithful departed. These are pastorally important moments in the year of the church and serve as a powerful reminder of faithfulness and service, of love and legacy.

The origin of All Saints' Day cannot be traced with certainty, having been observed on various days in different places. A feast of all martyrs was held on May 13 in the Eastern church according to Ephraem Syrus (died c. 373). This may have determined the choice of May 13 by Pope Boniface IV when he dedicated the Pantheon in Rome as a church in honour of the Blessed Virgin and all martyrs in 609. The first evidence for the November 1 date of celebration and of the broadening of the festival to include all saints as well as all martyrs occurred during the reign of Pope Gregory III (731-741), who dedicated a chapel in St. Peter's, Rome, on November 1 in honour of all saints. In 800 All Saints' Day was kept by Alcuin on November 1. The same date appeared in a 9th-century English calendar. In 837 Pope Gregory IV ordered its general observance.



November Readings & Services

Sunday Holy Communion 8.30am
 Tuesday Morning Prayer 9.30am
 Tuesday Lota House 11am

Sunday 1st - All Saints

Isaiah 25.6-9
 Ps. 24
 Revelation 2.1-6a
 John 11.32-44

Sunday 7th - Pentecost 24

Ruth 3.1-5; 4.3-17
 Ps. 127
 Hebrews 9.23-28
 Mark 12.38-44

Sunday 14th - Pentecost 25

1 Samuel 1.4-20
 Song of Hannah
 Hebrews 10.11-25
 Mark 13.1-11

Sunday 21st - Christ the King

Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14
 Ps. 93
 Revelation 1.4b-8
 John 18.33-37

Sunday 28th - Advent 1

Jeremiah 33.14-16
 Ps. 25.1-10
 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13
 Luke 21.25-38

In medieval England the festival was known as All Hallows, and its eve is still known as Halloween. The period from October 31 to November 2 (All Souls' Day) is sometimes known as Allhallowtide.

This little bit of history is important for two reasons. Firstly, because it demonstrates the long arc of faithfulness and service to which we belong. It is also important because the history of All Saints' Day, All Souls' Day and Christ the King (only inaugurated in 1925 by Pope Pius XI) illustrates that while our traditions in the church hold spiritual and pastoral significance for us today many are a product of humanity's pursuit of God not God's self-revelation in Christ. This does not lessen the theological gravity of such church festivals, but it does remind us that the body of Christ, the church, has since its inception been in a constant state of renewal and reform. How will our moment mark the arc of church history?

Pace e bene,
 Fr. Daniel+

November Ministry

6th Cursillo 10am speak with Jennifer Crisp
 14th and 28th PeACE Patrol after church Sundays - Asta
 23rd Mother's Union 9.30am @ St Paul's, Manly

November Notices

1st Parish Council 7.15pm
 2nd SAILS at Bayside Meeting, St Peter's Wynnum
 18th Tatters & Chatters 9.30am - speak with Lynn
 28th Advent Teaching Series starts - Advent 1

For Our Prayers

Please hold in prayer those who are unwell at this time or have asked for our prayers: Ellen, David, Nancy, Veronica, Michael C, Gloria, Graham, Michael N, Gerald, Annie, Marie, Barry, Eddie, Joan, Shirley G, Glen, Shirley & Gordon, Shirley, Yvonne, Gayle, Harline, Peter and Jean, David and Jody, Lowie, Bev and Bruce.

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