

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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Pastoral Message

I am struck by the elegant beauty of our moment. God's timing is perfect! As we prepare our hearts for the birth of new life in Christ this Advent and Christmas, St Paul's prepares for new life as Anglicans in Manly. Years of faithful service, sacrifice and courage are beginning to bear fruit as our pending move to the Lota House Chapel draws near.

This is not our first rodeo! Anglicans have gathered in Manly for over 130 years. During that time, we have worshipped in four different locations reflecting our willingness to adapt to the needs of our wider community. The beautiful Chapel at Lota House will serve as our fifth place of worship, further embodying our love of God and one another in Word and Sacrament.

I have been so moved by the way in which we as a parish have embraced this time of change and challenge. Your love and courage is a beacon for many. Frankly, we had no future except for the one you have borne as a community. Well done, good and faithful servants.

I am thankful for the way in which the Principal of Manly State School, Mr. Clayton Carnes, has worked collaboratively with me as we together navigated uncharted waters for both Education Queensland and the Anglican Church Southern Queensland. What Mr. Carnes and I have demonstrated is that anything is possible when positive outcomes for genuine community remain the focus.



November Readings & Services

Sunday Holy Communion 8.30am

Sunday Lota House 10.30am

Tuesday Morning Prayer 8.30am

Sunday 6th - All Saints Day

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18

Ps. 149

Ephesians 1.11-23

Luke 6.20-31

Sunday 13th - Pentecost 23

Isaiah 65.17-25

Ps. A Song of Isaiah

2 Thessalonians 3.6-13

Luke 21.5-19

Sunday 20th - Christ the King

Jeremiah 23.1-6

Ps. Song of Zechariah

Colossians 1.11-20

Luke 23.33-43

Sunday 27th - Advent 1

Isaiah 2.1-5

Ps. 122

Romans 13.9-14

Matthew 24.36-44

St Paul's Christmas Services

3pm 23rd Lessons & Carols

Lota House Chapel

4pm 24th Family Carols

St Paul's Church

8.30am 25th Holy Communion

St Paul's Church

Education Queensland's plans for the site not only offer more much needed space for learning and play, but also include the refurbishment of the church as a Student Performance Centre. Here again we see new life emerging for our sacred space, where the next generation will learn, play and grow. This is our shared legacy of love for our wider Manly community.

To enable our new Lota House Chapel ministry model, Diocesan Council back in May approved our request that a percentage of the proceeds of sale of our site be returned to the parish. We are grateful for Bishop John Roundhill's public statement back in April that these funds will be allocated to support our ongoing presence in Manly. With our new Mission Action Plan coming together, I am excited to be part of our community that seeks to be faithful to God by being open and willing to try new things during this time of uncertainty in the life of organised religion. New light shining amid the darkness.

We do not live in the past, but the past very much lives in us. All that St Paul's represents, all that has been offered by those who came before us, all that God has called us to be continues in the hearts, prayers and worship of faithful, loving, beautiful humans known to the world as "St Paul's Manly".

Pace e bene,
Daniel+

November Ministry & Notices

12th Cursillo 10.30am speak with Jen

15th Service of Remembrance 10.30am Lota House

17th Tatters & Chatters Craft Group 9.30am Lota House

22nd Mothers Union Eucharist & Meeting 9.30am Lota House

For Our Prayers

Please hold in your prayers: David, Merrilyn, Michael C, Gloria, Graham, Michael N, Gerald, Annie, Marie, Eddie, Barry, Joan, Shirley G, Glen, Shirley & Gordon, Greg, Yvette and Monique and families, Lacey, Yvonne, Gayle & Lowie, Harline, David and Jody, Kay, Roxzan and family.

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