ST PAUL'S, MANLY FEBRUARY 2023

# 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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# St Paul's Manly Mission Action Plan 2023-2027

# **Pastoral Message**

Thank you one and all for a great AGM in late January and for your contribution to our exciting new St Paul's Mission Action Plan 2023-2027 (MAP). I am so grateful for your continued faithfulness and courage during a difficult and tumultuous time. St Paul's folk are pretty special people and the opportunity to create something new with you while offering hope to other Anglicans across the Diocese is a unique blessing for which I am deeply grateful! You have indeed demonstrated abiding love and commitment to one another, to God and to those who faithfully served before us. Your faith and courage have birthed an exciting vision, one we all look forward to pursuing together.

A fully funded, measurable strategy, our new MAP was adopted by an unanimous vote of the parish AGM January 29, 2023. Our vision seeks to incorporate existing and much loved ministries such as Sunday Services, Mothers Union and Cursillo while developing an innovative model of faith community centred on intergenerational community development. All parishioners and many key stakeholders from the local community have contributed to the MAP and we very much look forward to implementing it together with local schools, service clubs, parishioners and our partners at Anglicare Southern Queensland's E.M. Tooth Memorial Home.



# February Readings & Services

Sunday Holy Communion 8.30am Sunday Lota House 10.30am Tuesday Morning Prayer 8.30am

#### **Sunday 5th - Epiphany 5**

Isaiah 58.1-9a

Ps. 112

1 Corinthians 2.1-13

Matthew 5.13-20

#### Sunday 12th - Epiphany 6

Sirach 15.15-20

Ps. 119.1-18

1 Corinthians 3.1-9

Matthew 5.21-37

#### **Sunday 19th - Transfiguration**

Exodus 24.12-18

Ps. 2

2 Peter 1.16-21

Matthew 17.1-9

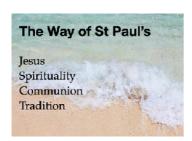
#### Sunday 26th - Lent 1

Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7

Ps. 32

Romans 5.12-21

Matthew 4.1-11



With the MAP launched, we can focus attention on our relocation from Ernest Street to the Lota House Chapel, including the specifics of liturgical items, renovations and audio-visual equipment. Part of this process must be engaging interested Lota House residents and staff.

The 'signature ministry' at the heart of the new MAP is an intentional focus on intergenerational community within the Lota House precinct. As mentioned in recent communications, a Rotary Club in the UK has developed something and the ABC produced two TV series along the same lines. A feature article on the Rotary project can be found by clicking here. And the two ABC series can be found by clicking <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>. When the new independent living units are finished at Lota House, there will be in excess of 400 people on site 24/7, 365. The development also involves construction of some wonderful new facilities, like a cafe and a pool, so the opportunity to create and foster an intentional, intergenerational community is both strategically significant and very exciting! The opportunities are endless! By God's grace, may we continue for many years to be the hands, feet and heart of Christ to the people of Manly and beyond!

Pace e bene, Daniel+

## **February Ministry & Notices**

6th Ministry Team Meeting (TBC)
11th Cursillo 10.30am
16th Tatters and Chatters Craft Group 9.30am
22nd Ash Wednesday
28th MU Eucharist and Meeting 9.30am

# For Our Prayers

Please hold in your prayers: David, Elaine, 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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