

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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Meeting many and many meetings.

Lots of people things again this week from plotting and planning at Tatters and Chatters, enjoying being a passenger and meeting the vicar of Boonah on the road trip and of course doing the things at Parish Council.

It was great to meet Rev Rob Weekes from the Boonah-Harrisville Anglican Parish. We hadn't met before but clergy don't have a problem sussing each other out and enjoying making the many connections between people we know in common. We enjoyed sharing what we are up to in our various patches and as



always it was great to share our good news story of big things here at Manly. Rob has a cattle property not far out of town and I'd say his down to earth realness connects him really well with the folk of Boonah and beyond. Country parishes can be a challenge as demographics and economic factors move but I was inspired by Rob's vision and hope in continuing to create a space for the Spirit in the district.

I'm grateful for the gathering of folk at Parish Council. We had a break in July to acknowledge the thought and time given at our Reflection and Planning Day, so this meeting was a bit of a catch up. Thanks to Craig for his carefully prepared Treasurer's Report and thanks to all for the engaged discussion of some of our WHS learnings and forward planning for the next few months.

It was good to fix a few dates into the parish calendar which despite the time of *Statio*/Holy Pause I'm encouraging, shows a rich and vibrant community maintaining a healthy momentum. We have set dates for important things like Thanksgiving Sunday on the 10th of November... Archbishop Jeremy will join us and I'm sure will be pleased to fill in for our sadly unavailable master auctioneer when I get around to telling him.

As always, our value is not in how much we do or how many events we run but in the quality of our relationship with God and with each other. I continue to be inspired by the joy and openness of the good folk of St Paul's... may you feel the inspiration of the Spirit around you in all you do this week.

Blessings on your head.

Andrew

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

Community Matters

Bay to Boonah Parish Fellowship Road Trip

Last Saturday saw an excited gathering of folk on the steps of Lota House as we organised ourselves to set out on the parish road trip to Boonah. It was great to have our friend Mutzi from EM Tooth join us too. After signing our lives away... no truth to the rumour they were actually signing over their houses and cars to the vicar... we shuffled folk around into four cars and set off.

Drivers Darryl, Paul, Mark and Col did a sterling job of calming the excited folk and ensuring a safe and efficient trip. Our first stop was roughly half way at the Rotary Park at Jimboomba. A lovely break in the warming sunshine to stretch legs, visit the facilities and reshuffle the passengers to continue the chat.

Our timings were aspirational at best and perhaps a bit naïve but we arrived in good time at Christ Church, Boonah. Not quite early enough to get a good go at the cake stall but in plenty of time for the other goodies. Some headed straight to the coffee van for an invigorating brew while others scattered to check out what was on offer and eye off the bargains. We were welcomed with great joy by Christine Crowther who was so pleased to see us make the trek out to support the efforts of our brothers and sisters at Boonah. We were pleased to also meet and chat with their parish priest, Rev Rob Weekes.



At Rotary Park, Jimboomba

Flexibility is one of our great qualities and rather than move off to have lunch at a local park, the group decided to stay in the lovely shade of the church trees to enjoy the atmosphere and listen to some pretty skilled local talent playing both kinds of music... country AND western... with some old favs thrown in for good measure. Lunch for many was a tasty country style hamburger and some of the baked goods church folks are so adept at.

After a final gathering outside the parish op shop for a group photo, we reshuffled the crew again and headed off back to the Bay. We arrived back at Lota House safely if a little weary and pretty much all gave the event a big thumbs up!. Thanks to the drivers who took us there and back safely and for the warmth and kindness of all involved.





Enjoying the sun and country hospitality at the Christ Church Boonah Annual Fete...
 our destination but the journey, the fellowship and the sharing of good conversation was just as if not more important.



Parish Raffle

No its not a garden gnome, it's our Chris hard at work at the Carindale Car Boot sale brewing up a storm with tasty coffee and selling tickets in our raffle. We will be selling outside the office of local MP Joan Pease on Friday 16th and 23rd August and every Sunday at church until the draw on the 8th of September.

- 1st Prize – Crocheted Blanket created and donated by Bev Schmidt
- 2nd Prize Hamper donated by Joan Pease MP
- 3rd Prize 2 bottles of wine donated by Ailsa Gill.

Tickets \$2 each.



Scripture Readings This Week

1 kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34:1-8
Ephesians 4: 25-5:2; John 6:35,41-51

Next Week:

Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 34:9-14;
Ephesians 5:11-21; John 6:51-58

For your prayers:

- ◆ The Anglican Church of Korea
- ◆ The Diocese of Gippsland
- ◆ The Parish of Kingaroy
- ◆ Diocesan Council
- ◆ St Hilda's School, Southport
- ◆ Kim, Yvonne, Bev G, John

We give thanks for the life of David Andrew Stannard
23/11/40 - 8/8/23 May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

An Olympic Prayer

God, thank you for the opportunity to enjoy watching some of the world's top athletes compete in their sports. Use their passion and dedication to bring joy to many people. May they inspire those who are watching to discover, develop, and use their own talents to the fullest. Help the Olympians be positive role models for a hurting world that needs joy and inspiration from the Olympics.

Bless the athletes as they do their best to contribute to the world, and let their efforts point us all toward you God, the source of all hope.

Source: <https://www.crosswalk.com/>

What's On

This week

Monday 10.30 EM Tooth Community Worship, Activities Room

Tuesday 9.30 Bible study and Reflection. Chapel @ Lota House followed by a cuppa.

Wednesday MU Deanery Quiet Day St Mark's, Daisy Hill

Thursday Tatters and Chatters in the parlour @ Lota House

Thursday Chaplaincy Gala Dinner @ The Leagues Club

Friday Fundraising Raffle @ Joan Pease Office

Sunday 9.30 Parish Eucharist, Lota House Chapel 9.30am

Coming up

August 19th-22nd Fr Andrew at Provincial Clergy Conference, Gold Coast

August 23rd Fundraising Raffle @ Joan Pease Office

August 24th Cursillo Moreton Ultreya Carindale

August 27th MU Eucharist and Meeting 9.30am

August 29th LINC 25th Anniversary Lunch

August 30th St Peter's Wynnum 125th Anniversary

Please let Fr Andrew know of any upcoming events.

Heidi's Hi

From our Community Coordinator

Whilst the parish was out gallivanting to Boonah, I was given a beautiful gift by a lovely lady named Diane, who practices Healing Touch. It was such a blessed experience to receive her healing touch. Often, the power of touch is overlooked. The COVID pandemic made me realise just how much I missed hugging and touching others. It also made me aware that not everyone is comfortable with physical touch, as they found the lack of touch a welcome rest, which, taught me that my impulse to touch others may not always be welcomed.



For me, touch is a welcome connection to another person. So, if you ever see me around and want a hug or to hold my hand, just reach out, and I will naturally gravitate towards you.

Back to Diane—she gave me the wonderful gift of an hour lying on a therapy bed and with my eyes closed. She gently and methodically touched points of my body with purpose. The attention and care I received made me feel deeply loved.

This experience brings to mind the gospel and the profound impact of compassionate touch. It reminds me of Luke the physician, who is traditionally credited with writing the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. Luke often highlighted the healing ministry of Jesus, including the laying on of hands. For instance, in Luke 4:40, it says, "At sunset, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them." This biblical reference underscores the significance of touch in healing.

Heidi



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Parish of Manly
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Moreton Deanery Ultreya

Saturday 24th August 2024

St Gabriel's Anglican Church
11 Bridgnorth St, Carindale QLD

Theme : Refresh

Witness Speaker : Janette Riley

BYO Lunch from noon in undercroft

Ultreya begins at 1PM.

**This will NOT be ZOOMed
In Person Only**

**Contact Detail : Janette Riley 0429 656 320
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Then stay on for Fellowship and afternoon tea



Tatters and Chatters

Enjoying good company, good conversation and inspiring crafters at Tatters and Chatters ... just before a lovely group of EM Tooth residents came to join us. Robyn, Seb and Andrew doing creative and important designer stuff to get ready for the Raffle at the car boot sale and Mary being crafty with wool, ably supported by Heidi.

**All welcome on the First and Third Thursdays
of the month.**