

ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN COMMUNITY, MANLY 8th September 2024

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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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Quandamooka people and their elders past, present and emerging. We honour the connection the traditional custodians have with this land.

Earth Friends Gather

Living here at the edge of the sea has really inspired me to take to the Season of Creation with gusto. You can read about our Sunday Stare at the Sea overleaf... I had a great morning reconnecting and meeting some neighbours with the Bethania Street Community Garden and am glad for the opportunity to travel all the way into the Mount Coo-Tha Botanical Gardens for the Queensland Churches Together Season of Creation prayer service.

I'm grateful I can manage the sloping paths in the Garden... taking it slowly of course... and grateful for the kindness of the Salvation Army folk who kindly provided me with a chair.

Great to see representatives from across the denominations including Jackie from QCT, Br Joe from our Anglican Franciscans, Fr Peter Moore representing Angligreen and Rev Bob Paget from the Parish of Samford. A gentle service of prayer and praise, soaking in the lush greenery of the Lychee Tree Lawn, the visiting birdlife and the wonder of falling leaves like confetti. A special guest was a beautiful autumn coloured butterfly poking around the leaves... the mozzies were not so welcome but hey it is their day too.

Thank you also to our Parish Council for their wisdom on





Monday night. A record one hour and 10 minutes... but matters carefully considered nevertheless. We are still a bit in our *Statio* – Holy Pause but have begun planning our Working Day on the 27th of October. Have a chat to a councillor for news and updates.

Blessings on your head and hearts 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

25 Years of Love in the Name of Christ (LinC)

Helen Collins writes: LinC (Love in the Name of Christ) hosted a celebratory lunch on the 29th August to give thanks to God for 25 years of the churches across the Bayside working together under the banner of LinC to provide help for people in the community. Pastors and priests including Fr Andrew from St Paul's, members from the local churches, community dignitaries and friends were welcomed.



25 Years of Volunteers

Serving the

The Power

Bayside Community

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In June 1997, pastors and priests from 12 local churches including Fr Bill Collins from St Paul's Manly met together to envisage how the churches could work together using the LinC framework to connect with people across the Bayside.

In April 1999 LinC Bayside was launched to serve the people in the suburbs of Wynnum, Manly and Lota. Today the service area includes the suburbs of Murarrie, Tingalpa, Alexandra Hills and Birkdale. LinC volunteers from 8 churches provide assistance.

Last year there were 1005 requests for help. Volunteers in the LinC call centre receive the request and a driver is contacted to provide the necessary transport. Approximately 80% of LinC services are related to healing – hospital and medical appointments. LinC has also assisted clients with support from LinC's panel of Christian psychologists.

In 2026, Joan Pease MP was made aware that help was needed to transport people who had speech difficulties following a stroke to join the Aphrasia Choir in Logan. She contacted LinC

and every Tuesday for the past 8 years LinC volunteers have transported people to Logan and home again. At the lunch a gentleman used the opportunity to thank LinC. He said that following his stroke he was unable to speak.

Since joining the choir his speech has improved so much he could now address the large gathering at the lunch.

If you know anyone who needs assistance like this, would like to volunteer or for more information, you can contact:

LinC Bayside Referral Centre Phone: 3348 3722 Email: LinC.Bayside@gmail.com

The call centre is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-12 noon. You can check out their website at https://www.lincbayside.net.au/

We are so grateful for people like Helen and Val who have been our face with LinC for many years.

Have a chat to them about how you can help.







Chairman Paul Grabenz and LinC team give thanks with our Helen and Val; Call Centre Co-ordinator Wendy with volunteer Sharon cut the cake; Fr Andrew with Fr Baiyi from St John Vianney's, Cr Alex Givney and a LinC client enjoy the tasty meal.

Wandering Women from MU Manly/Wynnum



Seven members of Manly/ Wynnum Mothers Union travelled to Buderim on Tuesday 20th August for a Diocesan Mothers Union meeting. We were quite pleased to have the largest contingent of any branch in the Diocese at the meeting.



This was also noted by our guest speaker, Colin Lim who worked at E.M. Tooth Home some years ago.

Colin is now the Spiritual and Pastoral Care Manager for all Anglicare SQ. He spoke about the beauty of humankind that the Chaplains often find in the midst of the brokenness of the people they minister to, whether they are part of Aged Care, Foster care, Youth

and families, Schools, hospitals or prisons. The people they meet are seeking a home- not a just roof over their head necessarily, but something more, beyond self. Colin then encouraged MU members to continue to be the hands and feet of Christ with our prayer, advocacy and financial support for Anglicare.

We thank the congregations of St Peter's and St Paul's for supporting our retiring collections during the year.



A big turn out of Manly/ Wynnum MU members at Buderim MU country council meeting



Kay and Shirley with Betty Thornton, an active member of St Paul's congregation for many years and it was wonderful to meet up with her. Betty is now lives in Buderim.



To Hope and Act with Creation!





Stare and Sip at Lota Foreshore.



A delightful end of the day holy pause for the **Season of Creation.** Our Sunday Stare at the Sea took place in the glorious gloaming of late winter with the joyful sounds of families, birds and keen folk exercising together.

We centered ourselves and spent a good slab of time quietening our hearts and noticing all that God has created in this place. We shared some of our thoughts... the community building of exercising folk, the joy of family, the silver reflections of the incoming tide over the intertidal zone, the flock of swans, the sun glinting of the white herons and the details of horizon and middle distance. All drawn together with the international prayer for creation and a civilised sip of wine and nibbles.

This week we Gaze at the Gardens at Bethania Street Community Garden... Join us!!



Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together.



Service of Remembrance

Anglicare and EM Tooth invite clients, residents and friends to share this opportunity to gather, light a candle and give thanks for the lives of our loved ones.

The Chapel at Lota House Tuesday 17th September 2024, 9.30am

Light Refreshments will be served following the service.





8th September

Anglicare is an important part of our church.

Anglicare Sunday provides a terrific opportunity for parishes and other faith communities to celebrate and pray for its clients, staff and work in the community.

Anglicare Southern Queensland is dedicated to walking alongside people in our community who have need, offering residential aged care, in home care, mental health support, youth programs, care for those escaping domestic violence and homelessness, foster care, and family services.

Anglicare Southern Queensland continues to celebrate Anglican Faith and the spirit of the Gospel in how we offer care and service.

We welcome Deb Stengert, Spiritual and Pastoral Care Coordinator at E M Tooth who will share a little of her ministry to residents and staff. There will be cake!!!





Scripture Readings This Week

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125 James 2:1-10, 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

Next Week:

Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

For your prayers:

- The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)
- ♦ The Diocese of Bunbury
- The Parish of Robina
- Parish secretaries and volunteer staff in the Diocese
- ♦ Matthew Flinders Anglican College, Buderim
- Kim, Yvonne, John, Coralie, Richard, Ann, Bruce, Judi, Brad

We give thanks for the life of Jenny Sneesby and pray for Kay and family as they mourn her loss.

A Prayer for Anglicare

God of strength and courage, you have called us to participate in your mission in the world.

We give thanks for of the work of Anglicare Southern Queensland, for aged care, foster and kinship care, for counselling services and programs that address homelessness and support young people and families.

We give thanks for spiritual and pastoral care and Anglicare's advocacy work. Inspire and energise us to create a more loving just and inclusive society that shows forth your kingdom. **Amen**



This week

Monday 10.30 EM Tooth Community Worship, Activities Room

Tuesday 9.30 MU Eucharist and Meeting

Wednesday 7.30 Wynnum Men's Fellowship Group St Peter's Hall, Wynnum

Saturday Cursillo 10.30am

Sunday 9.30 BCA Donations Collection and Parish Eucharist, Lota House Chapel 9.30am

Sunday 4.30 Stare at The Sea SoC reflection, Lota Park

Coming up

September 17th EM Tooth Service of Remembrance September 19th Tatters and Chatters in the Parlour 9.30am September 24th MU Eucharist and Guest Speaker "Elder Abuse"

October 6th St Francis Day Pet Blessing

Please let Fr Andrew know of any upcoming events.

Heidi's Hi From our Community Coordinator

Remember Dear Heart

When days grow short and nights stretch long, Remember, dear heart, you are not alone. When sorrow's shadow darkens your way, Recall the wise words that Saint Paul would say.



In letters penned to the Corinthians with care, He spoke of love, a bond beyond compare. Not mere clanging symbols that echo and fade, But a melody of kindness, in which hope is laid.

When all is done and the journey is through, Know we walk together, steadfast and true. In a realm where love is freely received, With no chains to bind us, no heavy load cleaved.

If we can remember, while here on this sphere, To love one another, to hold each one dear, What a wondrous world we could craft and create, A tapestry woven in love's gentle state.

Heidi



Sunday 15th September

Collection and prayer for the work of BCA.

Please bring in any fundraising boxes and donations. Watch the newsletter next week as Sandra shares some stories about our connections here at St Paul's.

Support our Ministry

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> BSB: 704-901 Account #: 00000690 Reference: 'offering'

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