



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN COMMUNITY, MANLY
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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.



- Zonta Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast
- E M Tooth Christmas Doings
- Blessing our Nativity Bits
- Tatty Chatters ends the year with Joy

MU 16 Days of Activism Shouts Orange and Red.



MU have ended the year with some truly impactful activities as part of the world wide 16 Day of Activism against Domestic and Gender Based Violence and all before 9am on a Friday morning.



After the annual **Zonta Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast**, our MU ladies raced up to St Peter's with MP Joan Pease and Councillor Alex Givney to launch the joint MU and Red Rose Foundation Red Bench.

The bench is a sign that this is a safe space where people experiencing violence can seek respite and be heard. **More about the Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast inside.**

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

Sharing the joy at E M Tooth Residents' Christmas Party.

What a privilege to be able to help out at the wonderfully festive Christmas Party for residents and their families.



New Lifestyle Coordinator Elizabeth rose to the challenge only two weeks in assisted by the Lifestyle team and other staff. The event was spread over four venues... the Jacaranda Room, the Chapel, the Parlour and the Deck. Each space was gloriously decorated and had its own music entertainment with karaoke carols, a jazz duo and some wonderful recorded favourites.

Fr Andrew was invited to share Grace in each space... and shamelessly plug our Big Band Christmas Carols. Bev and Robyn joined the other volunteers in greeting and chatting. A special feature was the arrival of a group of Yr 4 Students from Cannon Hill Anglican College who had given up a holiday day to join chaplain Br Nathan and their teacher to share special cards made by the students.

Any initial shyness quickly dissolved and it was heart warming to see the young folk mixing and mingling like old hands. A beautiful moment of partnership with parish, school and aged care working together to bring joy and light.

A very merry Christmas event indeed.



Zonta Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast



St Paul's was well represented at the recent Zonta Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast. So reassuring to see so many community groups and local people of influence getting behind this important awareness raising of the impact of Domestic and Intimate Partner Abuse.

The breakfast included a reassuring presentation about the **Love Bites Respectful Relationships Education Programs** for young people aged 11-17 years conducted by the National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN). You can find out more about NAPCAN

and their proactive approach to early intervention at

<https://www.napcan.org.au>



A reminder of the Christmas Story... Blessing of Nativity sets.

A highlight of our First Sunday of Advent alongside the lighting of the first candle of our Advent wreath was the gathering and blessing of Nativity sets. What a joy to see the variety of much loved figures and settings of the beautiful stable scene of Mary, Joseph, the Christ Child and all the others that tell the story so beautifully.



Nancy's glorious hand painted ceramic version delighted everyone and Helen made sure at least Jesus in the manger made an appearance. Each one had a story attached with memories of Christmas past.

We were pleased to to gift a small version to our residents who often have had to leave such precious things behind... and had one each for Facilities Manager

Suzette and E M Tooth Coordinator of Spiritual and Pastoral Care, Deb to take home and share with their families too.

A Mighty Christmas Chat at Tatters and Chatters End of Year Celebration

Lots of tasty treats, big smiles, lively conversation and some hard work addressing cards was the order of the day as Tatters and Chatters celebrated another great year. A real production line of writing, addressing, labelling and stamping Christmas Cards to go to our Baptismal Families with our Christmas Service details inside functioned among the chocolate baubles and cheese and cabana.

Tatters and Chatters is such a lovely space for conversation and fellowship... meeting a real need for companionship and support of life. Some craft does get done but its one of those lovely spaces where just being is more important than the doing.

We look forward to gathering again on the first Thursday in February to begin the love and the cuppas all over again.



Parish Giving Tree



Last Sunday we launched our Advent Giving Tree.

The focus this year is personal care packs to be given to clients attending Pete's Pantry. Fr Andrew recorded a short interview with Pantry Coordinator Marilyn Jacobs to introduce our Advent Giving focus. Marilyn explained how the services provided at Pete's Pantry has grown from a small group sharing a simple bowl of cereal to a service hub serving dozens of people each Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

We all were disturbed by the rapid growth in need in the Bayside as the numbers of people experiencing homelessness or struggling to make ends has expanded way beyond what anyone would have expected. Our Giving Tree appeal is aimed at providing basic personal hygiene care packs. St Paul's folk generously responded by taking a tag of the Giving Tree with suggestions for an age and gender appropriate Wash Bag. These are already piling up under the tree as folk bring them or a donation back.

Any one can help... By taking a Giving Tree tags, a donation of simple supermarket vouchers or even a cash donation.



Blue Christmas

a service of remembrance and hope



Monday 9th December 6pm
St Peter's Anglican Church, Wynnum.

You are invited to join Fr Andrew and Fr Sam for this beautiful reflective service.

- Blue Christmas Service is offered especially for those hurting during the Christmas season. The reasons for coming are many.
- Some come because they are mourning the death of a loved one.
 - Some are far from home.
 - Some suffer from illness, addiction, or estrangement.
 - Some are lonely, struggling financially, or in conflict with another.
 - Some hurt because of the great pain, need, and violence in our nation and world.

We gather in the midst of suffering to remember God is good.
God is strong. God is near.

We are not alone, and we have every reason to hold on to hope.

Be still and know I am God...

Advent Quiet Morning

Tingalpa Pioneer Chapel

Saturday 14th December

9.00am – 12.30pm

Fr Sam and Fr Andrew invite you to join us in a shared morning of respite, calm and peace in the midst of busyness...

...to prepare our hearts for the wonder of Christmas.
Shared prayer, times of silence,
guided reflection and optional gentle discussion.

RSVP Fr Andrew priest@stpaulsmanly.org
Coffee and Tea available.

Please bring something simple to share for morning tea.



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CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

E.M. Tooth Residential Aged Care Home
and
St Paul's Anglican Community, Manly
invite residents, staff, parishioners and family
to Christmas Carols featuring the Bayside Brass.

Sunday 22nd December
2pm in the Chapel

Join us for a celebration of Christmas with sing-a-long
carols played by the big sound of the brass band.
A magical way to celebrate Christmas with those you love.

Light Refreshments to follow.



Manly

Christmas Brunch
Sunday 15th December
After the 9.30 Service

**Bring and share ready to serve
festive brunch treats.**

Coffee, tea and Juice provided.

Scripture Readings: Advent Two

Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79;
Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Next Week: Advent Three

Zephaniah 3:14-20; Isaiah 12:2-6;
Philippians 4:4-7 ; Luke 3:7-18

For your prayers:

- ◆ The Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
- ◆ The Diocese of Bunbury
- ◆ The Parish of Hendra-Clayfield
- ◆ Child Care Centres
- ◆ Matthew Flinders Anglican College, Buderim
- ◆ Yvonne, John, Coralie, Richard, Ann, Bruce, Judi, Brad, Stephen, J, J and J, Chloe and Family
- ◆ We give thanks for the life of Ines Menelotto and pray for Nadia , Rob and Family as they mourn her loss. May she rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

A Prayer for the Second Sunday of Advent

"O holy, patient, and loving God, in this season of grace-filled longing, we await the coming of your Son and our Savior. In the midst of our busy world, our busy lives, we need your help to remind us of what is important and necessary. The one gift that will last comes from you alone, gracious God, as we grow in our awareness of your love. Bless us, our family and friends, and the food and the company that we share. Increase in us a growing urgency to celebrate the birth of your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen."

What's On

This week

Monday 9.30 EM Tooth Worship Service, Activities Room
Tuesday 9.30 Bible Reflection and Discussion in the Chapel
Wednesday E M Tooth Residents and Family Christmas Lunch—Volunteers welcome
7.30 Wynnum Men's Fellowship Group
Thursday 9.30am Tatters and Chatters Christmas Break Up
Saturday 7th Early—11am Car Boot Sale , Carindale
Saturday 5pm Tingalpa Pioneer Chapel Carols 5pm
Sunday 9.30 Advent 2 Parish Eucharist, Lota House Chapel
Sunday 4.30pm Tingalpa Uniting Church Carols

Coming up

December 9th Pete's Pantry Christmas Lunch 12pm
December 9th Blue Christmas @ St Peter's
December 11th TREErific @ St Peters begins
December 14th Advent Quiet Morning at Tingalpa Pioneer Chapel

Please let Fr Andrew know of any upcoming events.

The Village Development News

From Sue Cooke, Chief Executive Officer,
Anglicare Southern Queensland

December 2024 – January 2025 Construction Works

As a part of our ongoing communication, we are writing to advise you of upcoming construction works for the Village Manly, which may impact your access in and around our home and Chapel. Pending weather and approvals, we anticipate the following works to be undertaken from mid-December to end of January:

- Erect temporary fencing and timber framed hoarding around Lota House to secure construction zone and access.
- Current Port Cochere entryway will become part of the construction zone. A temporary covered entry will be created to the left of the current entryway.
- Access to the toilet via the Chapel will be removed. The toilet to the rear of Lota House will be refurbished for use of visitors to the Chapel.
- Upgrade footpath to the left of the driveway, off Oceana Terrace.
- Provision has been made in the upper car park for family visitors with limited mobility, however we ask that all other visitors utilise street parking, if possible.
- Please be mindful when walking from Oceana Terrace to our home and use the footpath. The driveway will be shared with heavy construction vehicles until a separate construction entrance is created.
- We acknowledge the importance of visitor parking and recognise the limited options available at this time. Thank you for your patience during the construction period.
- Temporary emergency access stairs will be installed behind Wisteria and miscellaneous fire hydrant upgrades will occur throughout our grounds. We do not anticipate any access disruptions as a part of these works.
- Some trees will be removed to enable various stages of construction to progress. As Village Manly project stages are completed, comprehensive landscaping will be added, as well as a significant number of mature trees maintained, to maximise lush greenery of our precinct.

We will continue to provide project and construction updates to you and ensure that disruptions are kept to a minimum.



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