

## Confirmation

On May 14<sup>th</sup> Bishop Cam will be visiting the parish and will be taking the regular 8:30 service. This is, therefore, an appropriate time to offer the sacrament of confirmation which +Cam will administer during the service.

Confirmation is a sacrament of Christian maturity when the candidate makes a formal declaration of their belief that was (normally) made on their behalf when they were baptised. As such, the normal minimum age in the Diocese is 15 years. For those who are younger, but who still wish to partake more fully in the life and worship of the church, an admission to Holy Communion is offered which has, as its roots, the sacrament of Christian Baptism.

For both of these key moments in the life of the individual Christian, a short period of preparation is offered. I envisage that this would start just after Mothering Sunday (26<sup>th</sup> March). If you know of anyone for whom either of these would be seen as a natural "next step" on the faith journey, please see Fr. Steve to discuss it further.

In addition, those who are communicant members of other Christian Churches who wish to be in full communion with the Anglican Church can, at the service on 14<sup>th</sup> May be admitted into such communion (I was a member of the Roman Catholic Church and was admitted into the Anglican church in 1990). Again, please see Fr. Steve if you would like any further information on this.

Please pray for all of those who are discerning whether or not any of the above three steps on the journey are right for them.

Fr. Steve

## Pastoral Visiting

Would you or someone you know like a pastoral visit from one of our clergy members. They are itching at the door to get out and have a chat with you. If so, contact Shireen or Joy at the office on 3812 0377, or have a chat with one of our clergy after the service.

## Religious Instruction

"Religious Instruction is a Qld treasure. It gives parents the freedom to choose for their children to learn about the teachings of Christianity in a fun, supportive environment. Are your children enrolled in RI? Don't forget to pray for the RI Instructors in your church. Could you support the work financially\*\* or become a Religious Instructor or Assistant? Talk Fr Steve, Jane Zinn or Ipswich Region CRI Coordinator Suzie Overell 0412 875 412.

## ParishDirect via ANFIN - Offering by Direct Debit

Forms are available at the entrance to the church for those who would like to make their offering by direct debit. For assistance with completing the form, please email askus@anfin.com.au or phone 3838 7755. When completed and signed, the forms are to be forwarded to ANFIN Reply Paid 421, Brisbane Qld 4001.

# WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN PARISH OF IPSWICH



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## PEW SHEET The First Sunday in Lent 5th March, 2017

### An Acknowledgement of Country

As we gather in this Parish Church, we acknowledge the Yuggera people, the traditional custodians of this land, and their elders past and present.

We honour the connection the traditional custodians have with this land.

### TODAY'S SERVICE

**8.30 am** St Paul's ~ Holy Communion  
Presiding ~ Rev'd Steve McMahon

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**Kids Time with God**

**12.00 noon** St Paul's ~ Sudanese Service  
**6.00 pm** St Paul's ~ Choral Evensong

*Hymns:* 591 Forty Days and Forty Nights  
129 Amazing Grace  
449 Stand Up and Bless the Lord  
448 Blest are the Pure in Heart  
237 Hail Redeemer King Divine

### REFLECTION: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-21; Matthew 4:1-11

The temptation of Jesus took place in the wilderness for forty days and nights. He needed food and the devil enters at that time, but he was defeated by the quote of the Scripture. The devil took him to the holy city and tempted him there to show that even in our spiritual progress we should beware of the enemy. The tempter took Jesus to a high mountain and showed him the splendour of the world promising to give him all if he worshipped him. Jesus defeats the tempter by categorically quoting that our worship should be to God and him alone. It is beneficial for us Christians to be rooted in the Word of God for we can quote when the enemy tries to tempt us. *Pray that God will help us overcome temptations that come our way by staying connected to Almighty God and as we progress in life our worship will not be shifted from God to wealth.*

(ABM Pew Reflections 2017)

### Next Sunday: 12th March ~ The Second Sunday in Lent

8:30 am St Paul's ~ Holy Communion  
10:30 am St. Paul's ~ Baptism Service  
12:00 Noon St Paul's ~ Sudanese Service

Please stay for morning tea served on the verandah after the service

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## SERVICES THIS WEEK

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### Monday to Friday

9.00 am Lady Chapel Morning Prayer  
3.00 pm Lady Chapel Evening Prayer

### Tuesday, 7th March

9.00 am St. Mary's Holy Communion

### Wednesday, 8th March

10.00 am St Paul's Holy Communion

### Friday, 10th March

7.00 am St Paul's Holy Communion

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### Parish Prayer

Renew in us, O God, the zeal of Your love.

Let our parish come alive with the power of Your Spirit.

Where we have failed, forgive us;

where we have persevered, encourage us;

where we are in doubt, direct us.

Help us to see new opportunities of witness and service,

for the sake of Jesus Christ. **Amen**

### Mission Prayer

God of Mission,

who alone brings growth to our church,

send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,

wisdom to our actions and power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers,

in spiritual commitment to you,

and in service to our local community,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**Readings for next Sunday:** Gen.12:1-4a; Ps.121; Rom.4:1-5, 13-17; Jn.3:1-17

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### Celebration of Music Concert ~ Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm

Venue is at All Saints, Booval. The programme will feature instrumentalists, vocal items by choirs and individuals and a dance. Refreshments to follow.

Cost is \$10 adults and \$5 children. The proceeds to be shared between SU Chaplaincy in schools and All Saints' Parish.

All welcome and please invite your friends to come along as well.

### Mothers' Union

I have already spoken to some of you about what we are hoping to do in Mothers' Union. But for those who don't know, we're hoping to make it more accessible and useful, by holding additional meetings in an evening; possibly alternating early evenings with children invited and later evening meetings. We also hope to extend the range of activities to family friendly events and examining social issues that impact on the family

What I'd really like is for those of you who are interested to give your names and availability to Juneau or myself, so we can choose an evening which can be attended by the greatest number of people. As to who can join, membership is limited only to those who agree with the five objects. These are: -

1. To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and promote its wider understanding.
2. To encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church.
3. To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer and worship and service.
4. To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children.

To help those whose family life has met with adversity.

If you look carefully, it says nothing about age or gender, denomination, sexuality or marital status. The main focus is to support Christian family life, whatever shape that family comes in

When we have a start date, I will let you know, and invite everyone to an information meeting.

Thank you,  
Wendy McMahon

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## NOTICES

### Kids Time With God

Kids Time With God has restarted for 2017. We have begun using the "Living Stones" program. We now have three groups catering for children of different ages and abilities: Pebbles, Rocks and Boulders. The older children are now involved in bible readings and discussion. Three groups means we need more helpers and we have two positions vacant on the 12th and 19th of March. If you would like to help, please contact Annette Isager on 3496 1177 or 0437 722 225 or [ajisag@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ajisag@optusnet.com.au). Thank you to everyone who has helped so far.

We also have some lovely calico bags we would like to fill with soft, quiet toys for the creche area of the church. If you have soft toys, cloth books or anything suitable please give them to Annette, Rev'd. Shelley or Fr Steve.

### Lost property

A precious stone from a ring was found in St Paul's car park recently. It may have been lying there for years or just lost a few weeks ago.

Enquiries: Parish Office 3812 0377.

### Morning Tea Roster

We are urgently in need of volunteers to set up for morning tea after the 8.30am service on Sundays. This entails setting up and then clearing up afterwards. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office. You can be on the roster once a month/fortnight or as often as you can. Biscuits, tea, coffee and cordial are provided by the parish.

### Pastoral Care

If you are aware that someone sitting near you hasn't been in church for a while or you know someone who is unwell, in hospital, has been in hospital or even a bit 'down' at the moment, please let me know or leave a message at the office and I will follow them up. Rev'd. Shelley 3201 29

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### Years Mind

Elsa Mahoney	Norman Grieve	Charles Barrett
Magdalena Lilley	Edward Schadwell	Grace Goebel

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## TODAY

**Choir Practice - 3.00 pm**

### Choral Evensong

6:00 pm in St. Paul's Church.

## Tuesday

7th March

### Bible Study

1:15 pm - St. Paul's Support Centre - In recess.

### Bible Study

3:00 pm - St. Paul's Conference Room  
Contact Rev'd. Shelley.

## Wednesday

8th March

### Music Box

9.30 am - 11.00 am in St. Paul's Hall.

### Bell Ringing Practice

St Paul's Church, 3.15 pm - 5.00 pm. For more information, phone June Suthers 3201 6162.

## Friday

10th March

### Bible Study

10.00 am St Paul's Conference Room  
Contact Rev'd. Shelley 0419 656 037.

## Saturday

10th March

### Baptism Preparation Meeting

10.30 am - St Paul's Church - All welcome to support this important ministry.

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*Please uphold the following people in your prayers for healing:*

Sue Voogt	Arthur Harris	Matilda Aagten	Ian Barnes
Barbara Dunton	Caroline Johnston	Lyn Johnston	Daniella Jansen
Henry Jansen	Karen McLucas	Dawn Pearce	Neil Gibson
Julia Hall	Audrey Steele	Carolyn Burt	Mary Young
Jackie Retschlag	Gaile Rankine	Jim Schabe	Joan Ploetz
Iris Omeara	Kathryn Dampier	Nigel Kemp	Eleanor Jones
Douglas Cameron	Richard Aldridge	Irene Eastwood	Isabel Larcombe

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Children's activity sheets are available from the black drawers  
in the 'crèche' area of the Church.

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Priest-in-Charge: The Rev Steve McMahon Mob: 0415 771 345

*Honorary Assistant Clergy:*

Priests: The Rev Dianne Leitch Phone: 3282 3121  
The Rev Dr Donald Stewart A.M. Phone: 3813 0320  
The Rev John Chol Daniel Majok Mob: 0469 070 049  
The Rev Simon Goch Arok Mob: 0470 304 869  
The Rev Elizabeth Adol Chol Mob: 0469 372 890

Assistant Curate: The Rev Chris Bate Mob: 0429 112 127

Deacons: The Rev Michele Knight Mob: 0419 656 037  
The Rev Peter Mayen Mob: 0469 628 997

Lay Hospital  
Chaplains: Mrs Sue Buchanan  
Mrs Ann Wrigley  
Miss Jayne Ware

*Honorary Principal*

Organist: Mr Ross Windsor Mob: 0412 009 916

Choir Director: Mrs Helen Colledge Mob: 0417 407 955

Parish Secretary: Mrs Shireen Kuhn Phone: 3812 0377  
(Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)

Admin. Officer: Mrs Joy Sampson Phone: 3812 0377  
(Thursday, Friday)

Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9.00 am to 2.00 pm

E-mail: admin@stpaulsips.org.au Fax: 3281 6098  
Website: www.stpaulsips.org.au

St Paul's Variety Market Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 2.00 pm  
Saturday 9.00 am to 12.00 noon

St Paul's Support Centre (Tuesday 9.30am - 3.00pm) Phone: 3812 9266

**PEW SHEET DEADLINE** Wednesday 2pm, at the parish office.

**DATE CLAIMERS**

**TODAY 6.00 pm ~ Choral Evensong at St Paul's**  
*All welcome. Choir rehearsal at 3.00 pm today.*

**Prayers for the Parish will NOT be held today, but please come instead to the Evensong Service to be held at 6:00 pm**

**Ipswich Little Theatre Fundraiser for CRI**

On **Thursday 9th March** the Christian Religious Instruction Ipswich Network is having a fundraiser at the Burleigh Griffin Incinerator Theatre. The play is "An Inspector Calls" by J B Priestley, rated PG. The venue is open from 7:30pm. A ticket for the play and supper costs \$25. Please contact Annette Isager 3496 1177, 0437 722 225 or Jane Zinn 3281 6731, 0401 158 758.

Our last play raised \$997.93. Many thanks to all those who supported us. It was a great night.

**Saturday 11th March, 8.00am AMS Ipswich branch AGM and general meeting in AMS Club room**

8.00 am cooked breakfast as usual followed by meetings. **Guest speaker Bishop Daniel Abot.** For catering purposes please call Andy Brodersen if attending on 3381 8817/ 04 1319 1154.

**Thursday 30th March at 2.00pm - CPR Course**

St Paul's Variety Market are offering a CPR course as a requirement of Work Place Health and Safety. All volunteers are invited to take part if they wish. It is not compulsory. The course will be held on Thursday 30th March at 2.00pm and will take approximately 1 hour. Please add your name to the list in the shop if you are interested.

**Quilt and Craft Display 3<sup>rd</sup> May to 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

Our annual Quilt and Craft show is coming up and we need your help in providing a wide variety of items to sell on our daily stall. Examples might be plants, crochet, knitting, cushions, scarves, floor rugs, handkerchiefs, coat hangers, dolls clothing, jams, pickles, cakes, lollies, woodwork, metalwork, collections, unusual craft and anything that you think our customers who have a wide range of interests might buy.

Our theme this year is "Australiana" and if you have items to display or suggestions they would be very welcome. Please call me if you would like more information. Verna Hunt, Convenor, St Pauls Quilt and Craft Display. Ph:0409 062 485.