

Welcome

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
16 February 2025

*St Paul's Ipswich &
St Thomas' Ipswich North*

Anglican
Church
Ipswich Anglican Community

Contact information

Parish Office Hours:

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St Paul's Church

Address:

124 Brisbane Street, Ipswich Qld 4305

St Paul's Op Shop:

Monday—Friday: 9:00am—2:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am—12:00pm

St Thomas' Church

Address:

15 Lawrence Street, North Ipswich Qld 4305

Clergy Contact Information

Rev'd Cannon Dr Greg Jenks 0426 067 344

Rev'd Lorraine Lynch: 0449 564 930

(Part Time—St Paul's Mon & Tues/St Thomas' Sun & Wed)

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.

Acknowledgment of Country

The Ipswich Anglican Parish Community respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners as custodians of the land and waters we share. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging, as the keepers of the traditions, customs, cultures and stories of proud peoples.

Today—St Paul's

7:00am Holy Communion

Rev'd Canon Dr Greg Jenks

8:30am Holy Communion with Hymns *Including Kids Time with God*

Rev'd Canon Dr Greg Jenks

12:30pm South Sudanese Dinka Service

Rev'd Simon Arok, Rev'd Elizabeth Chol, Rev'd Rachael Adut

5:30pm Sunday @ 5:30 (Taizé Service)

Rev'd Lorraine Lynch

—St Thomas'

8:30am Messy Church "The Good Samaritan"

Rev'd Lorraine Lynch

Readings

Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1; 1 Cor. 15:12-20; Luke 6:17-26

Events for this week

Sunday:

4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

Tuesday:

10:30am Holy Communion—St Paul's

Following Service Bible Study: Break Open the Word

Wednesday:

10:30am Brassall Village Aged Care Holy Communion

3:00pm Little Church Garden—Basin Pocket

6:00pm Beginner's New Testament Greek Class

Thursday

7:00pm Bible Study: Text for Next Sunday—Via Zoom

Friday:

9:00am AMUA Service & Gathering—St Paul's

7:00am Holy Communion—St Paul's

Saturday: 4:00pm Church Gardening Group—St Paul's

Next Week in the Parish

Sunday —7th Sunday After Epiphany

—St Paul's

7:00am Holy Communion

Rev'd Lorraine Lynch

**8:30am Combined Holy Communion (Sung)
with Parish AGM following Morning Tea.**

Including Kids Time with God

Rev'd Canon Dr Greg Jenks

12:30pm South Sudanese Dinka Service

Rev'd Simon Arok, Rev'd Elizabeth Chol,
Rev'd Rachael Adut

5:30pm Sunday @ 5:30 (Choral Evensong)

Rev'd Lorraine Lynch

—St Thomas'

**No Service at St Thomas' this week
—Combined Service at St Paul's .**

Next Sunday Readings:

Gen 45:3-11,15; Ps 37:1-11, 40-41; 1 Cor. 15:35-50;
Luke 6:27-38

Events for Next Week

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4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

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6:00pm New Testament Greek Class—St Paul's

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10:30am Holy Communion—St Paul's
Following Service Bible Study: Break Open the Word

Wednesday:

10:30 Holy Communion—St Thomas
Following Service Mature Aged Fellowship
3:00pm Little Church Garden—Basin Pocket
6:00pm Beginner's New Testament Greek Class

Thursday

7:00pm Bible Study: Text for Next Sunday—Via Zoom

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7:00am Holy Communion—St Paul's

Saturday:

8:00am St Thomas Community Markets
4:00pm Church Gardening Group—St Paul's

Message from Canon Greg Jenks

THE JOURNEY OF FAITH

One of the newer songs that is very popular among Catholics and Anglicans—but which appeared too late to be included in our hymnbook that was published in 1999—is *Companions on a Journey* by Carey Laundry.

*We are companions on the journey, breaking bread and sharing life;
And in the love we bear is the hope we share for we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God.*

*No longer strangers to each other, no longer strangers in God's House;
We are fed and we are nourished by the strength of those who care,
By the strength of those who care.*

*We have been gifted with each other, and we are called by the Word of the Lord;
To act with justice, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with our God,
To walk humbly with our God.*

*We will seek and we shall find; we will knock and the door shall be opened;
We will ask and it will be given for we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God.*

*We are made for the glory of God, for service in the name of Jesus;
To walk side by side with hope in our hearts, for we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God.*

This beautiful poem reminds us that we are bound together in the journey of faith, although each of us are at different stages in that journey.

The journey begins at Baptism and is renewed at various times in our lives. One of those times is when we celebrate the sacrament of **Confirmation**. We are currently preparing a number of adults for Confirmation when Bishop Cam is with us on Sunday, 4 May. If you would like to be prepared for this next stage of active discipleship, please speak with either Lorraine or myself as soon as possible. Candidates for Confirmation need to be at least 16 years of age and will already have been baptised.

PS: You can hear that song online: <https://youtu.be/dDfCXa6b06Q>

**Next Sunday 23 February 2025
COMBINED HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE**
followed by
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

for the new Ipswich Anglican Parish (St Paul's & St Thomas)
at St Paul's Church, 124 Brisbane Street Ipswich

Sharing

'For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes' *1 Corinthians 11:26*

Eating on your own is a lonely business. We rejoice to eat together, especially with people we love. It is no accident that the Lord has given us a special meal. When we eat and drink at his command, we proclaim his death, and so we are reminded of the forgiveness which he gives us through the cross. But forgiveness is something we give as well as receive. The Apostle Paul wrote these words to a church filled with selfishness and division. He pointed out how wrong it was for them to eat the Supper in those circumstances. One of our duties as Christians is to repent of wrong and to love each other. Sharing the Holy Communion is a constant reminder to attend to our relationships.

Question for thought: Am I holding grudges against my fellow believers? Should I repent?

Almighty God, we bring the nation of South Sudan before you as it still struggles with conflict and the growing influence of Islam. We pray for the diocese of Bentiu and for MU members as they support and encourage each other in these difficult times. May they remain steadfast in their faith in you as they care for those in need. Amen

Pray Daily

<https://anglicanfocus.org.au/2025/01/23/pray-daily-february-2025/>

The Anglican Communion

- The Church of Bangladesh
- The Diocese of Newcastle: †Peter Stuart; Assistant Bishops – †Sonia Roulston, †Charlie Murry; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Torres Strait Islander Parish:
- CMS
- The Glennie School, Toowoomba: A/g Principal – Emma Lowry; Chaplain – vacant; Chair of School Council – †Cameron Venables; members of School Council; staff & students

ABM Reflections

St Luke reports to us today that Jesus announces what appears to be a topsy-turvy world, one where the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful and the hated will be blessed by God – unlike the rich, the ones with full bellies, the ones who now laugh, and the well-regarded. This explanation of how God wants the world to work should cause us all to ask ourselves how we, individually and corporately, can create space for the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful and the hated to be welcomed among us.

- Pray that we can become ever more inclusive, both personally and as a Church.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

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If you or anyone you know would like to receive
Pastoral Care please contact:
Parish Office (3812 0377)



Prayers for Healing

Marion Corry
Hilary Barrett
Janet Shailer
Margaret Murphy
Kade Johnson
Jan Mundt
Barbara Hayward
Heather James
Coralie Dart
Jane Prasser
Angela Lawrence
Gerard Flannery
Nicole Woodward
Barry Blake
Glenys Bickle
Tina Moore
Louise Gardner
Jackie Cornish
Kathy Chevalier
Cheryl Marsh

Year's mind

Abigail Statham
Peter Maxwell
Stuart De Courcey
Roy Jansan
Shirley Fields
Laurie Lever
Steven Lumsden
Ev Oram

February Mission Giving: Our giving to mission work outside the Parish via the Planned Giving envelopes will go to help support the work of **Bush Church Aid**.

Exploring VOCATION

A program for anyone who is curious about ministry in the Anglican Church Southern Qld.



- Online Info Nights 11 Mar
8 Apr
- Seekers Day 1** 31 May
- Quiet Afternoon 15 Jun
- Online discussions 15 Jul
5 Aug
- Quiet Afternoon 14 Sep
- Seekers Day 2** 11 Oct

For more information or to register, visit anglicanchurchsq.org.au/vocations



Lent Retreat

'Parallels between Jesus Birth and Death'

Saturday 15th March
from 9am to 12 midday.
at **St Thomas Church**

Morning Tea provided. No cost to attend.
Please ring Lesley on 0404 005 088 to register.



AMUA Service & Branch Gathering

Friday 21 February—9:00 am
at **St Paul's Church**

Service to be followed by Morning Tea &
Discussion Forum
All Welcome!

St Thomas' Community Market

15 Lawrence Street, North Ipswich

Saturday 1 March 2025
8am - 12pm

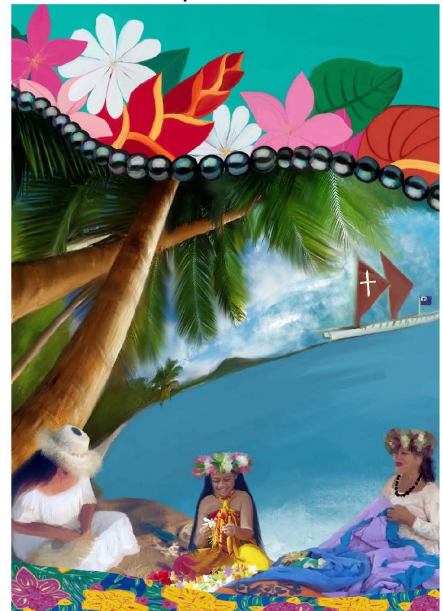
Arts & Crafts, Trash & Treasure,
Plants, Sausage Sizzle



More Information contact Lesley Briggs 0404 005 088

World Day of Prayer 2025 Cook Islands

'I made you wonderful'



Date and Time: Friday, 7 March 2025 at 10:00 am

Location: St Paul's Anglican Church, 124 Brisbane Street Ipswich

Contact person: Ipswich Parish Office (07) 3812 0377

World Day of Prayer is being hosted by St Paul's Church.
Any assistance with cakes, slices or biscuits for a light
lunch would be appreciated.