

Welcome

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
11 October 2026

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

Today—St Paul's

7:00am Holy Communion

Ven. Mpole Masemola

8:30am Holy Communion by Extension (Incl Kids Time with God)

Chris Montgomery, Stephen Harrison (Anglicare)

11:30am South Sudanese Dinka Service

Rev'd Elizabeth Chol, Rev'd Rachael Adut

5:30pm Prayer & Praise

Keith Gibson

—St Thomas'

8:30am Holy Communion with Baptism (Incl Children's Ministry)

Ven. Mpole Masemola

Readings

Exodus 32:1-4; Ps 106:1-6, 20-24; Philippians 4: Matthew 22:1-14.

Events for this week -

Sunday: 4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

Monday: 6:30pm New Testament Bible Study

Tuesday: 10:30am Holy Communion—St Paul's

Following Service Bible Study: Break Open the Word

1:30pm CRI – Tivoli State School

Wednesday: 9:30am Holy Communion—St Thomas'

Following Service Mature Persons Fellowship

3:00pm Little Church Garden—Basin Pocket

Thursday: 1:15pm CRI – Brassall State School

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

Friday: 7:00am Holy Communion by Extension—St Paul's

9:00am AMUA Branch Meeting – St Paul's

Saturday:

4:00-5:00pm Choir Rehearsal—St Paul's



Contact information

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St Paul's Church

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St Paul's Op Shop:

Monday—Friday: 9:00am—2:00pm

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Parish Prayer

God of new beginnings, bless our Ipswich Anglican Community with a fresh vision for the future, with generous hearts to love one another, and with courage for the changes we now embrace. Draw us more deeply into the mystery of Christ, so that we draw closer to you and to each other. Make us a blessing to the city of Ipswich as we walk together into the future you have prepared for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

Next Week in the Parish

Sunday 18 Oct – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

St Paul's -

7:00am Holy Communion

Rev'd Kate Littmann-Kelly

8:30am Holy Communion (incl Kids Time with God)

Rev'd Kate Littmann-Kelly

11:30am South Sudanese Dinka Service

Rev'd Elizabeth Chol, Rev'd Rachael Adut

5:30pm Afternoon Eucharist by Extension

Rev'd Allana Wales

St Thomas'

8:30am Holy Communion by Extension (incl Children's Ministry)

Lesley Briggs

Next Sunday Readings:

Exodus 33:12-23; Ps 99; 1 Thess 1:1-10;
Matthew 22:15-33.

Events for Next Week (from Sunday 18 Oct)

Sunday: 4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

Tuesday:

10:30am Holy Communion—St Paul's

Following Service Bible Study: Break Open the Word

1:30pm CRI – Tivoli State School

Wednesday:

10:30am Holy Communion—Brassall Village

3:00pm Little Church Garden—Basin Pocket

Thursday:

1:15pm CRI – Brassall State School

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

Friday:

7:00am Holy Communion by Extension—St Paul's

Saturday:

8:30am Women's Breakfast – St Thomas'

4:00-5:00pm Choir Rehearsal—St Paul's

Please be advised any attendees at a service or anyone entering the church grounds may be recorded on video and, in the case of a church service, may be included in the livestream broadcast online.

Message from Stephen Harrison - Anglicare

Anglicare: Living out the mission of the church

For more than 150 years, Anglicans in southern Queensland have been responding to human need through the ministries and organisations that would eventually become Anglicare Southern Queensland.

Our story began in 1870 with the establishment of the Female Refuge Home in Brisbane. It was a practical response by Anglicans who saw people experiencing hardship and believed that Christian faith called them to act. Much has changed since then, but that conviction remains at the heart of Anglicare today.

The Anglican Communion's Five Marks of Mission help us understand this work. Two are especially important for Anglicare: "to respond to human need by loving service" and "to seek to transform unjust structures of society."

The first is perhaps the most visible. Every day, Anglicare staff and volunteers support older people, children and families, young people, people experiencing homelessness, people struggling with mental health and wellbeing, and many others across southern Queensland. This work takes many forms, but at its heart is something simple: meeting people with dignity, compassion and care.

But loving service is only part of the story. Christian mission also asks us to look beyond immediate need and consider the conditions that shape people's lives.

The Church is called to ask why people are experiencing hardship and what might need to change. Why are so many young people experiencing homelessness? Why do some families struggle to find safe and secure housing? What systems make it harder for people to flourish? How can our communities become more just, inclusive and compassionate?

This is why Anglicare also invests in research, advocacy, listening to people with lived experience, First Nations engagement, and working with governments and communities for social change. Sometimes responding to our neighbour means meeting an immediate need. At other times, it means working to change the circumstances that created that need in the first place. It calls us to imagine what stronger, fairer and more compassionate communities might look like.

Anglicare has grown enormously since those early beginnings, but the purpose remains remarkably consistent: to give practical expression to the Church's concern for people and communities.

Our services may look very different from those of 1870, but the calling is the same — to notice human need, respond with compassion, and work for a more just and inclusive society.

Anglicare is not the whole of the Church's mission, but it is one important way that mission takes shape in the world. It is part of a much bigger story of Anglicans seeking to live out the Gospel through loving service, justice and care for our neighbours.

Losing the chains

'If you abide in my word...you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.'
(John 8:31-32)

When we play tennis, we find that the freedom to play the game involves keeping the rules. It is not tennis if we play without a net and disregard the lines on the court. Jesus tells us that if we want to experience true freedom it is not through merely doing whatever we want. It is by abiding in his word. When we do that, we live as we were designed to live and find the joy of freedom. Part of this freedom is to put Jesus first in our lives and to look after others. It is good to think of the needs of the most vulnerable and deprived, such as prisoners in gaol. The word of Jesus is truth, and the truth will set you free. That is where joy and peace is to be found.

Question for thought: Am I abiding in the Word of the Lord?

Gracious Lord, our hearts are deeply troubled by the constant persecution against Christians in Nigeria. We do pray for our members in the Dioceses of Jos and Akoko. May they have courage as they continue to stand firm for the truth. Pray for members as they visit hospitals and prisons, care for children and comfort them with your Word. Amen.

Pray Daily

<https://anglicanfocus.org.au/2026/09/18/pray-daily-october-2026/>

The Anglican Communion

- The Anglican Church of Burundi
- The Diocese of Gippsland: †Richard Treloar; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Indooroopilly: Sue Grimmett, Howard Munro, Valerie Hoare, †Rob Nolan, Richard Browning, Shane Hubner, Marian Free
- Sudanese & South Sudanese Congregations in Anglican Church Southern QLD (ACSQ): Bishop Daniel Abot
- EPIC Assist
- St Hilda's School, Southport: Principal – Virginia Warner; Lay Chaplain – Naomi Armstrong & Paul Alcorn; Chair of School Council – Wendy Henning; members of School Council; staff & students

Prayers for Healing

Long Term:

Margaret Murphy
Kade Johnson
Barbara Hayward
Nicole Woodward
Tina Moore
Louise Gardner
Jackie Cornish
Kathy Chevalier
Don Rossiter
Hellen Bongomin
Jan Grieve
Rebecca Parry
Gary Seymour
June Pidgeon
Nadine Muller
Reg Bond
Lesley Briggs

Short Term:

Don Roberts
Esther
Annette Moore
Cheryl Marsh
Marj Kaye
Peter Forbes
John Dickens
Sophie Sowerby
John Rossiter

Year's Mind

Suzanne Voogt
June Suthers
Beryl Willocks
Matthew Lilley
Frederick Stephens
Jim Graham
Olive Stewart
David Holmes
Kathy Foreman



For Direct Parish Offerings please scan the QR Code

October Mission Giving: Our giving to mission work outside the Parish via the Planned Giving envelopes will go to help support the work of **Home Away from Homelessness**.

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



Women's Breakfast

Saturday 24 October 2026



St Thomas'
Church Hall

8:30am

\$10 per person

*Mystery Guest
Speaker*

RSVP: Lesley Briggs
0404 005 088
(for catering
purposes)

St Thomas' Community Market

15 Lawrence Street, North Ipswich

Saturday 7 November 2026

8am - 12pm

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



More Information Chris Raymont 0402 411 368 or Sandra Eaton 0412 329 484

WORKSHOP - THE APOSTLES LIVES, MINISTRIES & DEATHS AFTER JESUS' ASCENSION



**SATURDAY
14 NOVEMBER
2026
9:00 am**

**REGISTER
WITH
Lesley Briggs
0404 005 088**

St Thomas' Church,
15 Lawrence Street North Ipswich



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