

Welcome

31 August 2025

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

Today—St Paul's — PNG Martyrs Day

7:00am Holy Communion

Rev'd Mpole Masemola

8:30am Holy Communion

Rev'd Mpole Masemola

11:30am South Sudanese Dinka Service

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

5:30pm Prayer & Praise

Keith Gibson

Readings

Zephaniah 3:14-20; Ps 130; Romans 8:33-39; John 12:20-32

—St Thomas' — Pentecost 12

8:30 am Holy Communion by Extension

Rev'd Brenda Davis

Readings

Jer 2:4-13; Ps 81:1, 1-16; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14.2, 7-14

Events for this week -

Sunday: 10:00am Parish Forum—St Paul's

4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

Monday: 6:30pm New Testament Bible Study

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

Wednesday: 10.30am Holy Communion—Bundaleer Nursing Home

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 : 7:00am Holy Communion—St Paul's

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

Thursday—Saturday 9am-3pm St Paul's Quilt & Craft Show



Contact information

Parish Office Hours:

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St Paul's Church

Address:

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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 Mpole Masemola 0416 073 519

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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 (7 September) Pentecost 13 —St Paul's

7:00am Holy Communion

Rev'd Mpole Masemola

8:30am Holy Communion by Extension

Keith Gibson

11:30am South Sudanese Dinka Service

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

5:30pm Taizé Service

Rev'd Mpole Masemola

—St Thomas'

8:30 am Holy Communion

Rev'd Mpole Masemola

Next Sunday Readings:

Jer 18:1-11; Ps 139:1-15, 12-18; Phil 1-25;
Luke 14:25-35

Events for Next Week (from Sunday 7 Sept)

Sunday: 4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

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

Wednesday:

9.30am Holy Communion—St Thomas
Following Service Mature Persons 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

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

Saturday:

7:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast
4:00pm Church Gardening Group—St Paul's
7:00pm Proms at St Paul's

Please wear your name badge to assist Rev'd Mpole. If you would like to order a name badge, please contact the Parish Office.

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 Rev'd Mpole Masemola

Dear Friends,

This week brings us to the end of August and ushers us into September. August has been exciting and challenging in its own way – from observing the Season of Holy Women, through celebrating Harvest Festival, to remembering the Martyrs of Papua New Guinea. Fed by all of these, I hope each of us have found a way of growth in our sense of discipleship, and that we will see the fruit of this growth in time. In the words of the Collect prayer for Martyrs Day, may God “turn our weakness into strength [...] and give us the courage to live in faithful witness”.

September, which officially ushers in the season of spring, comes with its own beauties and opportunities. I am witnessing the busyness that comes with preparations for the Galvanized: Festival of Heritage and getting yet another way of understanding ourselves, the Ipswich Anglican Community, as a part of the heritage of the City of Ipswich. With all our activities and ministries, we continue to be a part of the city's living story – a part of our city's perpetual springtime of new life. You may get a sense of what I mean when you look at the notices in this pew bulletin: a whole buffet of programs to be enjoyed.

September also ushers in the Season of Creation whose main theme for 2025 is “Peace with Creation”. You will notice that the themes for each Sunday in this season will revolve around this main theme. The 2025 Season of Creation is special as it takes place during the 1700th anniversary of the first council of Nicaea (the ecumenical council that gave us the first draft of the Nicene Creed we use today). 2025 is a springtime in ecumenical focus – a springtime of the whole church collectively remembering and seeking ways of living in peace with creation.

As we enter September, we have a whole feast of Heritage, Culture, and Creation before us. I encourage you to take full advantage of this springtime, whether at church, at the Proms or concerts, or at the fashion parade (St Thomas) or while touring the city, and as we befriend ourselves anew with God created order. As we do all that, may we in the words of the Collect for Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost pray, “may learn to recognise each other as brothers and sisters gathered together around [God's] your table”. May you experience a springtime of your own personal lives.

Mpole

St Thomas' Harvest Festival last Sunday raised \$688.40
in support of Ipswich Hospice.

Peace

'Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ' *Romans 5:1*

The very first thing we need in life is peace with God. He holds our lives and he holds our future in his hand. Everything depends on him. He is a just God, which is good news since we want justice to reign. But it does mean that we are alienated from him. But Good News! By his provision of his beloved Son, Jesus, in whom we put our faith, we have been granted peace. When we have peace with God our future is assured, and we live through all the ups and downs of life. We were alienated, but we are now reconciled. All this through the love of God.

Question for thought: How do I know that God loves me?

Loving Father in heaven, we pray for the Dioceses of Southern Nyanza in Kenya and Oke-Osun in Nigeria. Please give wisdom to members in Southern Nyanza as they support those faced with the challenges of unemployment, crime, poverty and lack of food. May they have opportunity to share the love of God through their faith in you. We also pray for the members in Oke-Osun as they often face persecution. Give them courage to be steadfast in trusting you. Amen.

Pray Daily

<https://anglicanfocus.org.au/2025/07/24/pray-daily-august-2025/>

The Anglican Communion

- The Church of South India (United)
- The Parish of Hamilton: David Ruthven, †Phillip Aspinall, Amanda Goldsworthy
- Anglicare SQ Kirami Residential Aged Care – Hervey Bay (Point Vernon)

ABM Reflections—Celebrating 175 Years of ABM

It was one of my greatest privileges serving alongside dedicated and professional staff of the ABM since 2012. The ABM has always dedicated itself to empowering and serving the vulnerable and those in the margins of our communities and stepping in to fill the gaps when the ACoM is unable to provide the services itself. In doing so, it stays true to its motto of "Working for Love, Hope, and Justice". As an organization whose origins was closely associated with the Melanesian Mission, I would like to wish the ABM joyful 175th Anniversary celebrations and wishing it many more years of fruitful engagement with its partners bringing hope to people across our region and beyond.

Dr Abraham Hauriasi, the Anglican Church of Melanesia's General Secretary

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



Prayers for Healing

Marion Corry
Janet Shailer
Margaret Murphy
Kade Johnson
Jan Mundt
Barbara Hayward
Heather James
Angela Lawrence
Nicole Woodward
Barry Blake
Tina Moore
Louise Gardner
Jackie Cornish
Kathy Chevalier
Cheryl Marsh
Don Rossiter
Hellen Bongomin

Year's mind

Mavis Parkinson
Ella Wild
Thelma Foster
Percy Follett
Pamela Awcock
Hilda Catlow
Margaret Warman
Edward Bowles
Teddy Lawrence
Margaret Stewart
Melva Lawrence
Margaret Denman
Ruth Blom
Ken Ambrose
Ivy Kucks
Dulcie Caldwell
Daphne Ware
Rev'd Geoffery Sampson
Rev'd John Hamilton
Mavis Parcell
Dulcie Maloney
Sam Norwood
Mark Rea



**For Direct Parish Offerings
please scan the above
QR Code**

September Mission Giving: Our giving to mission work outside the Parish via the Planned Giving envelopes will go to help support the work of **Aboriginal & Islander Ministry.**

ST PAUL'S
ANNUAL 2025

QUILT AND CRAFT SHOW

4 Sept – 6 Sept

\$5
ENTRY

Quilts | Cross Stitch | Wood Working Display |
Spinning | Weaving



Thu 4th - Sat 6th 9am - 3pm
124 Brisbane St, Ipswich

Co-ordinator:
Verna Hunt
0409 062 485

Refreshments, light lunches, craft
and second-hand books for sale.

2025 PROMS

St Paul's Ipswich
124 Brisbane Street Ipswich

FEATURING

Daniel Smerdon
Emma Nightingale
Brisbane City Pops Orchestra
Jacob Fowler
Miriam Farquhar
Jasmine Feltham

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER
13TH

7:00
PM



TICKETS
AVAILABLE

<https://www.trybooking.com/DEVIY>



West Moreton
Anglican College
Ipswich, Queensland



Jennifer Howard MP
State Member for Ipswich



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST



2ND SATURDAY OF MONTH
@ 7:30 A.M

NEXT EVENT - 13 SEPTEMBER 2025

ST PAUL'S MEMORIAL HALL,
124 BRISBANE STREET IPSWICH



St Thomas' Fashion Parade

15 Lawrence Street, North Ipswich

Saturday 20th September
@ 1:30pm for 2:00pm start

Fashions by Nanny Lou's Lane

Admission \$15.

Raffle - Lucky
Door Prizes &
Afternoon Tea



Nancy Norwood 0426965436 or Barbara McDonald 32018387