

Welcome

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
27 September 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
Rev'd Allana Wales

11:30am South Sudanese Dinka Service
Rev'd Elizabeth Chol, Rev'd Rachael Adut

5:30pm Choral Evensong
Ven. Mpole Masemola

—St Thomas'

8:30am Holy Communion
Ven. Mpole Masemola

Readings

Exodus 17:1-7; Ps 78:1-4, 11-16; Philippians 2:1-13;
Matthew 21:23-32.

Events for this week -

Sunday: 4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

Monday:
6:30pm New Testament Bible Study – St Paul's

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

Wednesday:
3:00pm Little Church Garden—Basin Pocket

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

Friday: 7:00am Holy Communion by Extension

Saturday:
4:00-5:00pm Choir Rehearsal—St Paul's



Contact information

Parish Office Hours:
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St Paul's Church

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St Paul's Op Shop:
Monday—Friday: 9:00am—2:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am—12:00pm

St Thomas' Church

Address:
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Rev'd Allana Wales 0422 132 906
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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 4 Oct - 19th Sunday after Pentecost

St Paul's -

7:00am Holy Communion

Ven. Mpole Masemola

8:30am Holy Communion

Ven. Mpole Masemola

11:30am South Sudanese Dinka Service

Rev'd Elizabeth Chol, Rev'd Rachael Adut

5:30pm Afternoon Eucharist

Ven. Mpole Masemola

St Thomas'

8:30am Holy Communion by Extension

Chris Raymont

Next Sunday Readings:

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Ps 19; Philippians 3.4b - 14
Matthew 21:33-46.

Events for Next Week (from Sunday 4 Oct)

Sunday:

4:00pm Ipswich Anglican Food Ministry

Tuesday:

9:00am Holy Communion – St Mary's Hostel

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—Bundaleer Lodge

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:

7:30am Men's Fellowship Breakfast

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 Rev'd Mpole Masemola

The appointed for today (Psalm 78) calls us to listen to God's nudge to tell "the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done" from generation to generation. It reminds us that parish life is part of the continuing story of God's faithfulness - a story we receive, live and pass on.

There is much for which we can give thanks. Our baptismal ministry continues to grow, with 37 baptisms celebrated across our congregations and another six planned at St Thomas' in October. Each baptism is a sign of living water: new life in Christ and a welcome into the family of God.

Recently, I also had the privilege of leading a time of quietness with the Mothers' Union. Guided by Ezekiel's vision of living water, we reflected on the river that rises from the sanctuary, deepens, brings healing and flows out into the world. In the stillness, we considered where God's life has quietly entered our own stories, where God is calling us into deeper water, what needs healing, and what fruit we are being invited to bear. It was a gentle reminder that our parish needs spaces not only for activity, but also for silence, prayer and attentive listening. I hope we can find more opportunities to share such times across our parish.

Psalm 78 moved the eyes of our minds and souls towards how God brought streams from the rock and caused waters to flow down like rivers. This same life-giving God continues to sustain us. As we strengthen our Safe Ministry practices and complete the work arising from our Parish Safety Review, we seek to ensure that the life of our community is safe, welcoming and healing for all.

I also echo Rev'd Allana's words in last week's bulletin as we celebrate Bishop Daniel Abot's receipt of the Cross of St Augustine and give thanks for Dean Peter Catt's ministry upon his retirement. Both remind us that faithful service can become a stream of blessing flowing far beyond one person or place.

May we remember God's goodness, make room for quietness, and allow God's living water to flow through us into the life of our community.

St Francis Theological College Open Day

Morning Session | 9:30am-12:30pm

Thinking about studying theology, exploring ministry, or looking for a deeper engagement with your faith?

Join us at St Francis College on **10 October** to meet staff and students, explore flexible online and on-campus study options, and discover pathways for personal enrichment, professional development and ministry formation.

Attend **in person or online**.

Date: 10 October, 9:30am-12:30pm

Attend: In person or online

Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/DPACK>

St Paul's Quilt and Craft Display

I would like to thank everyone who attended or volunteered. Our volunteers did a wonderful job and a good time was enjoyed by our patrons. I hope to see you all next year.

Verna Hunt, Coordinator

Spiritual Renewal

'So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.' (2 Corinthians 5:9)

A few years ago, God challenged me in this wonderful verse. From now on and through all eternity, the goal of our lives is to please the Lord. This is the path of spiritual renewal whether for an individual or a church. How do we please him? By listening to what he tells us in his word, trusting it and obeying it. Have you noticed that so many people these days are seeking to find their own goal in life, based usually on where they think will find happiness? But true joy is to be found in the wholehearted service of the Lord Jesus Christ. That's what really matters.

Question for thought: What is the goal of my life? What should it be?

Gracious Lord, we bring before you our sisters in Katanga in DR Congo where there is ongoing instability. Help members as they care for family and friends in their community and provide support, helping them to get the support they need. We ask that their faith in you will not grow weary in these times. May they continue to look to you their strength and shield. Amen

Pray Daily

<https://anglicanfocus.org.au/2026/08/27/pray-daily-september-2026/>

The Anglican Communion

- The Church of Bangladesh
- The Diocese of Willochra: †Jeremy James; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Gayndah:
- AnglicareSQ Out of Home Care, Central Region – Fraser & Gympie Residential

St Francis Theological College Open Day

Enquire: Exploring Christian Vocation

Afternoon Session | 1:00pm-2:00pm

Could God be calling you to a new ministry?

Enquire is the Anglican Church Southern Queensland's introductory program for people exploring a possible call to authorised ministry. Join Clergy Development, Training and Wellbeing to learn about vocational discernment and how it connects with theological study.

Date: 10 October, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Attend: In person or online

Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/DPACK>

The Fashion Parade held at St Thomas' on 12 September 2026 raised \$2,219 for the parish. A great afternoon of fashion and friendship was had by all. Thank you to Nanny Lou's Lane, our fashion models and the many helpers.

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

Pastoral
CARE

Prayers for Healing

Long Term:

Marion Corry
Margaret Murphy
Kade Johnson
Jan Mundt
Barbara Hayward
Nicole Woodward
Tina Moore
Louise Gardner
Jackie Cornish
Kathy Chevalier
Don Rossiter
Hellen Bongomin
Jan Grieve
Rebecca Parry
Marge & Gary Seymour
June Pidgeon
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

Michael Leigh
Edith (Did) Hall
Marie Gillece
Lyla Hicks
Prof. Margaret Camerson A.M.
Constance Statham
Matthew Lilley
Hilda Lilley
Arthur Briggs
Maud Taylor
Fr. Roy Harris
George Addison
Humphrey Morris
Elizabeth Lumsden



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**.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST



2ND SATURDAY OF MONTH

@ 7:30 A.M

NEXT EVENT - 10 OCTOBER 2026

ST PAUL'S HALL, 124 BRISBANE STREET IPSWICH



Women's Breakfast

Saturday 24 October 2026



*Mystery Guest
Speaker*

**St Thomas'
Church Hall**

8:30am

\$10 per person

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

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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