



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Burwood

Welcome to worship

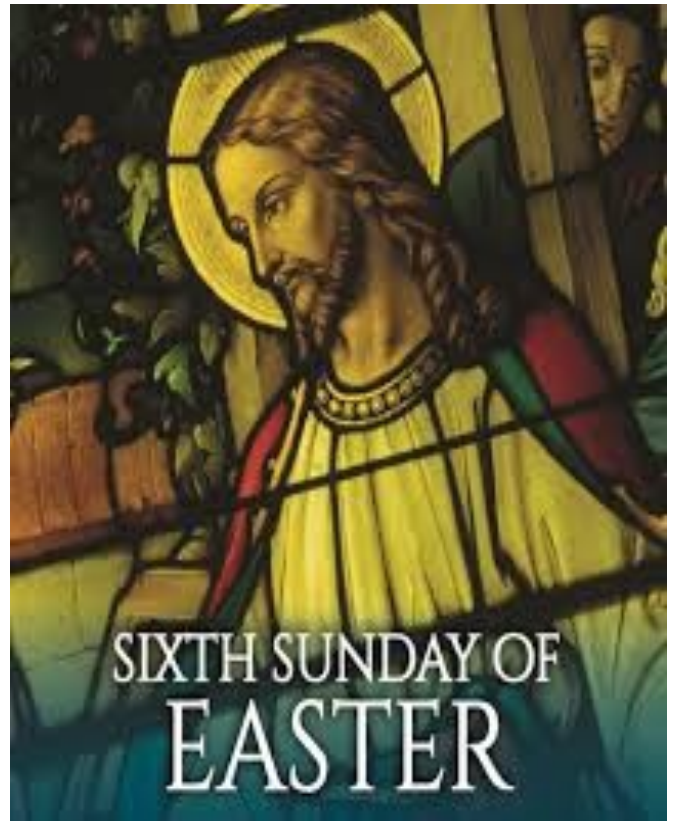
Sixth Sunday of Easter - Sunday 5th May

- 8.00am Said Eucharist
- 10.00am Choral Eucharist with St Paul's Choir
- 10.30am Midweek Communion in the Chapel of Christ's Passion on Wednesdays
- 5.30pm The Office of Evening Prayer every Friday
- 6.00pm Holy Communion every Friday

WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S. We are glad that you have come to worship God with us today. If you are a visitor from another parish, or worshipping with us for the first time, please introduce yourself to our parish priest, Fr James Collins, or to anyone wearing a name badge.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Thursday 9th May at 6pm** - Choral Eucharist for Ascension Day
- **Friday 10th May from 10am** - Setting up for the Street Stall in the hall
- **Saturday 11th May** - Street Stall in the hall from 9am-1pm
- **Sunday 12th May at 12.30pm** - Parish Lunch at Burwood RSL Club
- **Sunday 19th May at 5pm** - Choral Evensong for Pentecost Day
- **Tuesday 21st May at 1.15pm** - Lunchtime recital in the church



Bible Readings at today's Eucharist

Year B

Bible Readings for next Sunday

Acts 10.44-48
Ps 98
1 John 5.1-12
John 15.9-17

The First Reading
The Psalm
The Epistle
The Gospel

Acts 1.15-17,21-26
Ps 1
1 John 5.9-13
John 17.6-19

Acknowledgement of the Wangal people of the Eora Nation

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land upon which we meet, the Wangal People of the Eora Nation, and pay our respects to their elders, past, present, and emerging; and we pray that God will unite us all in the knowledge of his Son, in whom all things were created, in heaven and on earth.

We are glad that you have found us!

We affirm that through God's redeeming love for all, we are one in Christ. We respect the inherent and valuable contributions each member makes to the Body of Christ. We celebrate our diversity and recognize the sacred worth and dignity of all persons of any age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, race, ethnic origin, economic reality, family status, sexual orientation, diverse ability, or social status. We believe that through Christ we are being included and welcomed by God and one another. As we journey towards inclusion, we proclaim this welcome to all God's people, especially to those who have known the pain of exclusion and discrimination within the church, affirming that no one is excluded or condemned. We invite all persons to journey with us as we discover the call of God on our lives through the ministries of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Burwood. To that end, St. Paul's Anglican Church commits to the welcome and inclusion of all persons as children of God and declares itself to be a welcoming community of faith.

ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH BURWOOD TUESDAY LUNCHTIME RECITALS 2024 Commencing 1.15pm in the Church Admission by Donation		
DATE	ARTIST/S	INSTRUMENT/S
21 st May	Students from the Conservatorium of Music	Strings and piano
18 June	Students from MLC School, Burwood	TBC
16th July	Lin Xu-Zhang	Piano
20th August	Sirius Chamber Ensemble	Flute, Clarinet, Piano
17th September	Michal Roh	Piano
15th October	Students from the Conservatorium of Music	Strings and piano
19th November	The Mirabelle Trio	Violin, Viola, Piano

From Fr James

Over the past few years you have heard me comment that, post-COVID (the gift that keeps on giving), the four horsemen of the apocalypse are rampaging around our world, namely:

Pandemic

War

Climate change

Economic decline – cost of living crisis

People are noticeably less resilient and less buoyant in recent years and polarization and intolerance are at unprecedentedly high levels and social cohesion is at an all-time low:

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2024-02-19/israel-gaza-tensions-social-cohesion-record-low/103481384>

Loneliness is at epidemic proportions:

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2024-02-12/loneliness-australia-federal-government-urged-to-do-more/103441076>

As Christians, we need to be gentle and kind to all – to love our neighbour and one another.

There is much to ponder in all of this, so we continue to pray for peace on earth and goodwill amongst all.

With my love and prayers.

Peace,
James.

Ecumenical Church Body calls for peace and calm

The NSW Ecumenical Council, representing 21 different Christian Churches, is calling for peace and calm in the aftermath of the horrific stabbing incidents in Sydney, that have left the city anxious and on edge.

Over the weekend, prayers have been offered for those who were killed at Bondi Junction and for the recovery of those in hospital. Church goers are praying for those who are mourning the loss of loved ones that they may be consoled.

We thank God for the courage of ordinary people, the police and first responders. We also encourage governments state and federal to continue to enhance our mental health systems so that those with significant mental health problems can receive assistance.

Now, we remember Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel, and the priest and parishioners who were injured. We pray for their recovery.

We are deeply saddened by the violence inflicted on the police officers who were doing their duty in upholding peace. Violence has no place in or near our churches. We pray for the calm that Bishop Emmanuel has asked for in his community.

People are distressed by these traumatic events. Our churches are sanctuaries where people need to feel safe to practice their faith and find peace.

The Council urges priests and pastors to highlight Jesus' message of peace and non-violence in their sermons, to call for respect and the building of harmony and friendship with different faith communities.

God's Peace

- A poem by M.S.Lowndes

God's tender love and peace

Is what we all long for

In a world so hopelessly chaotic,

So unstable and unsure

It brings stability to our minds

And calmness to our souls,

For that is what we desperately need

As this world can be so cold

We need to have God's peace

When turmoil's in our lives,

For God's peace doesn't depend

On the daily pressures of life

When we have those stressful days,

God's peace can often soothe

And bring us such a quiet hope

That chases away the blues

So when you feel the pressure on,

Remember, Jesus Christ,

Receive from Him the peace He gives

As His daily dose for life!

News from St Paul's ...



Trading Table



The total for last Sunday was \$119.45. We look forward to serving you with our butters, chutneys/pickles and marmalades.

Books \$2 each, near new \$3

DVD's \$1 & CD's available at \$1 each

Thank you for your support.

Pam Brock

Mother's Day Raffle

The Mother's Day Raffle will start selling tickets this Sunday. They will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. The total made so far is \$147.

The Street Stall in the Hall

We shall have all the usual stalls with books, CD's, cakes, jams, jewellery, toys plants, Devonshire teas, and BBQ.

Please let me know what cakes/biscuits you can make for sale as well as volunteering your time to help on the day, Saturday **11th May from 9 - 1pm** as well as Friday 10th May for setting up from 10am

Please contact Pam to and offer help on 0402547892



Flowers as a Memorial

Decorating our church with flowers is one way to remember a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special event. If you would like to give flowers in memory of a loved one, or as an offering of thanksgiving please contact Judith Laurence the week prior to the date at: judealaurence@gmail.com or on

0438041726 and contact Caroline in the parish office at: office@stpaulsbuwood.org.au to arrange the wording of the memorial notice in the pew bulletin.

Name Badges

Don't forget to wear your name badge so that new comers can get to know you.

If you are a new parishioner and need a name badge, please fill out the form at the back of the church. Thank you.

Parish Prayer List

At St Paul's, we pray by name for people who have either asked for our prayers or for whom someone else has made a request. This list is updated every 3 months or when we receive a new request. Some names are on our list on a long-term basis while others reflect a more immediate need and are short term.

We will only be reading the names on the short-term list in the services but the whole list will still be included in the printed prayers for parishioners to use throughout the week. The full list of names will be read in our midweek service.

Names can be added to or removed from the lists at any time.

The Epistle

If anyone has missed out on any of the past editions of The Epistle, some are available on the Trading Table for \$7 each.

If you email me which edition you would like I can see if we have them. pambrock4257@gmail.com

FREE Parenting Course with Anglicare

Anglicare's Family Support team invites you to the 'Bringing Up Great Kids' parenting program for parents and caregivers of children up to 12 years old.

Areas covered include:

- Discover Your Parenting Style
- Support Brain Development
- Embrace Emotional Understanding
- Foster Problem-Solving Skills
- Practice Mindfulness and Self-Care

When: Tuesday (7th May to 11th June 2024)

Sessions: 6 weeks

Time: 10.00 AM - 12.00 PM

Location: St John's Anglican Church Ashfield, 81 Alt Street Ashfield NSW 2131

Cost: FREE

For bookings and information contact:

Dianne Missiris on Mob: 0438 802 421 or via Email: dianne.missiris@anglicare.org.au

The next Parish Lunch

Please join us at the next Parish Lunch which will be held next Sunday 12th of May at **Club Burwood RSL, Shaftesbury Rd, Burwood at 12.30pm.**

Contact Phillip Seale on 0405 198420 or at phillip@pscontracting.com.au to confirm you will be attending or need a lift.

Please wear your name tag so we can get to know each other better.

You will need a driver's licence or other ID to enter the club. If you wish to join the club it is a \$2 membership fee per year.

Please note that the Parish Lunch, will be held on the second Sunday of the month.

Easter 6 B – Sunday 5 May 2024

≈ Acts 10.44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5.1-12; John 15.9-17
or John 16.16-24

The believers accompanying Peter were astonished that the Holy Spirit was being poured out even on to the Gentiles who heard the word. This must have been truly shocking to them. When and how have we seen God throwing open the doors to the Church even wider in our own experience? How have we responded? In awe and wonder, or angry that God has done something new that we do not understand?

≈ Pray for all whom the Church excludes, and pray that God will open the doors of our hearts and minds to be as welcoming as Christ would have us.

≈ Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East, remembering especially Al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza City.

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Working for Love, Hope & Justice

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer! - By Pope Francis

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.



Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen.

NSW ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Invitation



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MAY
2024

To mark the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the NSW Ecumenical Council invites you to an Evening of Ecumenical Prayer, followed by a gala fundraising dinner.

It will be a wonderful occasion to join with the Greek Orthodox community in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia.

**Prayers at 5.30 PM,
The Greek Orthodox Cathedral
Meal at 6.45 PM,
St Andrew's Theological College.
Venue: 242 Cleveland St. Redfern N.S.W, 2016**

The suggested donation is \$70 per person for three course meal including drinks.

To book your tickets please click this link or scan the QR code
(<https://www.trybooking.com/CPHLM>)

Enquiries to:
generalsecretary@nswec.org.au
tel: 0412 899 826.



***For General & Offertory
Donations**

**Please use the following account
details:**

**Account Name: St Pauls Anglican
Church**

BSB: 032 062

Account #: 250028

***For Parish Pantry & For Community
Choir Donations**

**Please use this account
details:**

Account Name: Parish Pantry

BSB: 032 062

Account #: 812238

Please clearly mark whether it is for the
Parish Pantry or the Community Choir.

Offertory -

Collection given at St Paul's and other
donations:

25th April 2024 - 1st May 2024

≈ Offertory: \$3,202.09

≈ Parish Pantry: \$1,335.00

≈ Votive Candles: \$153

TOTAL OF GIVING: \$4,690.09

Thank you for responding to God's
generous love.



Donations and Bequests

Over the years the parish has benefited from the generosity of parishioners, not only when they have been active members of the parish, but also at the time of their death. Parishioners are invited to remember the parish in their wills by making a bequest as a thank offering to God and to ensure that generations to come will enjoy worship and fellowship in well maintained buildings.

Those wishing to make a bequest are invited to do so using these or a similar form of words: " I bequeath the sum of \$..... to the Rector and Wardens of the Anglican parish of St Paul, Burwood, to be used at their absolute discretion for the charitable purposes of the parish."

**Donations with Tax Deductibility -
National Trust Account**

If you would like to make a donation to the Parish for the upkeep and maintenance of the Heritage building it can be done through the National Trust.

Cheques can be made out to:

National Trust of Australia (NSW) St Paul's
Anglican Church Burwood

Or

Direct Credit to the above name with bank
account details: Westpac

BSB: 032-044

Account number: 742 926

Branch: 275 George Street Sydney NSW

Please contact Pam for more details or place a donation in an envelope and label with National Trust donation and include your name for your receipt and an address to post it to.
Thank you.

INTERCESSIONS

Sunday 5th May 2024 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

[CELEBRANT] We pray for God's world and for his church as we look for Christ's kingdom which is to come.

May your church be constantly guided by your Spirit, that it may not grow weary in the mission of Christ but serve as a beacon of hope to a broken and suffering world. Give your wisdom to those who proclaim the gospel in word, deed and sacrament, especially Archbishops Justin, Geoffrey and Kanishka, Michael our bishop, and all on our parish ministry team. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, today we ask your blessing on the Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil, its nine dioceses and Primate, Marinez Rosa dos Santos Bassotto. We give thanks for the members of our Parish Council and ask that you will guide their decision making and bless them.

Father, hear our prayer. **Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Give us hearts filled with love for your creation so that our words and deeds bear witness to the unending care you have for the whole earth. Encourage nations to work together for the sake of all people. Raise up leaders who are advocates of peace and justice, and bring to repentance those who are corrupted by despotic power. Bless with wisdom Anthony our Prime Minister, Chris our Premier, and John our Mayor. May they constantly listen to your voice and faithfully serve with understanding and compassion.

Father, hear our prayer. **Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, those who are lonely, depressed or estranged, all prisoners and captives. Reveal your grace and healing power that they may know they are surrounded by Christ's love, peace and comfort, especially those in our parish and beyond for whom we have been asked to pray: Barry Bevis, Belinda, James Budin, Kerryanne Graham, Greg, Barbara Hawkins, Karen, Terry Kelly, Clyde Livingstone, Terry and Betsy McKay, Helen Nguyen, Anthony Noack, Michelle Parker, Yolande Phillips, Sylvia Seers, King Charles, Catherine, Princess of Wales, Joyce Bannister, Barry Brandy, Vanessa Brandy, Dale Berry, John Burns, Betty Daniels, Debbie, Elsie Dunnam, Chris Grantham, Malcolm Green, Ray Holfeld, Enid Kell, Helen Kingsley, Melissa Moore, Graham Norman, Sally Palmer, Winnie Pang, Michelle Phillips, Robert, Diane Smith, John Sorensen, Peter Sorensen, Sylvia, Anne Wardle, Bill Whittle, Bob Woods, others known to us and those who have no one to pray for them.

Father, hear our prayer. **Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

We commend to you all who have died especially Fr Patrick Speed that he may rest in that place where there is no pain or grief but life eternal. And we continue to trust in your merciful keeping those whose year's mind occurs at this time: Philip Conley, Kate Morgan, Stephanie Middleton, Pam McCallum and Madeline Knizek. With them, may we be numbered with your saints in glory everlasting.

Father, hear our prayer. **Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

PAUSE FOR SILENT REFLECTION

[PRESIDER] Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THANK YOU ...

After the flood cleaning out under the stage was a mammoth undertaking and I would like to thank the people who did such an amazing job. Part of this was moving the Archives. Yvonne Clarke kept a watchful eye on everything we were doing and made sure that everything has been appropriately stored. It required a lot of heavy lifting and so Mark Taylor, Frazer Cordina, Bill and Liam Sullivan and Peter Laurence gave up their morning to move everything and carefully place everything on the stage until it can all be replaced.

The Week Ahead...

The midweek communion is held at the Chapel of Our Lord Passion every Wednesday at 10.30am.

Commemorations noted in the Lectionary this week

≈ Monday 6th May - John, Apostles and Evangelist

≈ Wednesday 8th May - Julian of Norwich, Holy Woman and Mystic (d.1417)

≈ Thursday 9th May - Ascension Day

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