



# Saint Andrew's Uniting Church



## NEWS AND NOTES

23 February 2025

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# WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S UNITING CHURCH



## Weekly Services

*We seek to share God's unconditional love and acceptance for all people, regardless of age, gender, marital or family status, sexual orientation, disability, race poverty or wealth.*

If you have no regular church association, we invite you to come and share in our services and participate in our church's life.

**9:30am Sunday Worship Service.**

**Holy Communion: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month.**

A pdf of the order of service can be sent to your smart phone or device for Sunday.  
Contact [admin@saintandrews.org.au](mailto:admin@saintandrews.org.au) to have it sent to you.  
Sermons are also available on YouTube – <https://tinyurl.com/SaintAndrewsYouTube>

### Readings for the coming week: 23 February 2025 – Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading:	Genesis 45:3-11, 15
Psalm	37:1-11, 39-40
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading:	1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50
Gospel:	Luke 6: 27 - 38

To view the full lectionary readings, please visit: <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu>

# Volunteers Needed!



As with any church, volunteers are at the heart of our service. If you would like to volunteer or require further information please contact the office at: [admin@saintandrews.org.au](mailto:admin@saintandrews.org.au)

We'd love to hear from people who are interested in serving at Saint Andrew's in any of the following areas:

- Liturgist / Readers
- AV Operator
- Greeters and Ushers
- Door Duty
- Elders for Sunday Services
- Andy's Place Community Meal Servers and Thursday Breakfast
- Open Church
- Morning Tea

Check the roster on the following page and see where you can help....  
If unsure who to contact speak to Rosie or Susan.

Thank you to all those who have 'filled the spaces' where required.

## + Wi-Fi Access

ID: StAndrewsGuest

P/W: Guestchurch!

## + Lives, Links & Legacy website

Read the stories of the lives of 266 members of Saint Andrew's Congregation whose names are listed on the 1914-1918 Honour Boards in the Merrington Memorial Peace Chapel:

<http://heritage.saintandrews.org.au/>

## + Offering

If you would like to use direct debit for your offering please use the details below:

Account Name:  
UCA St Andrew's Uniting Church

BSB: 334040 (St George)

Account # 55 38 776 38



# Bits and Pieces

## February 2025

What's happening	Event	When	Time
Church Services	Sunday Service	Every Sunday	9:30am
Church Services Holy Communion	Sunday Service	Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month	9:30am
Open Church	For visitors	Every Friday (excluding public holidays)	11am – 2pm
Andy's Place Community Meals	Weekly meal	Every Saturday	11:30am
Andy's Place Drop-In Centre	Drop- in	Thursday Morning	8 – 11am
Social Justice Table	Raising funds for special causes	To be advised	After service
Social Group	Coffee and social chat	Thursday Feb 6 <sup>th</sup> 9.30 – 11.30am	Mary Mae's New Farm Park

## Deadline for News & Notes – Tuesday COB

If you would like to have something included in the weekly News & Notes please email it to Rosie by no later than close of business (COB) on Tuesday the week prior.

Email details to: [admin@saintandrews.org.au](mailto:admin@saintandrews.org.au)

NEWS & NOTES are now online!

Go to <https://www.saintandrews.org.au/news-notes>

# +Bits and Pieces

## Children's Worship Bulletins

Activity sheets based on the lectionary are now available each week so please ask the door duty officer if you need one.

The Bulletins are available in two age groups 3+ years and 7+ years.

Some online activities are also available at – [games.childrensbulletins.com](http://games.childrensbulletins.com) - if you want to share them at home.

Secret codes

3+: NNXE47    7+: JRT933



## Prayers for the People

In the World Council of Churches Prayer Cycle we pray for [France](#), [Germany](#), [Monaco](#)

Please pray for the peace negotiations in Europe and the Middle East.

The opportunity to pray for one another is a gift. You are invited to offer that gift to others. If you have a situation, a prayer request or someone you know needs/wants prayer please let us know. It can be first name only, no details are necessary and always get permission. Let us each take the opportunity to share the gift of prayer and uphold one another in love. Please contact Rosie at [admin@saintandrews.org.au](mailto:admin@saintandrews.org.au) or Susan at [minister@saintandrews.org.au](mailto:minister@saintandrews.org.au) to have them included here.

Ongoing prayers for the people of **Syria, Ukraine, Gaza Lebanon, Yemen, Congo** and other world trouble spots.

Please continue to pray for peace in the **Middle East**



**Church Office Open Days:**

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

8am to 1.30pm. (07) 3108 4644

Administration Officer: Rosie Catt

5 Rev Susan Pickering: 0478368968

## +Bits and Pieces continued

# EVERYTHING IS POLITICAL

### Join the Everything is Political Podcast series, commencing 5 March

This Lent season, the Common Grace team invites us to walk through the last week of Jesus' life in the gospels, reflecting on questions about justice and politics. Many across our movement feel deep discomfort, grief and anger at the broken systems that continue to harm God's creation and the most vulnerable in our communities. What does it look like for us, as followers of Jesus, to be faithful and present in our world, at this moment? Sign up for the seven week Lent podcast [here](#).



The Centre of Ministry and Learning is running two courses next Thursday at the Moreton Rivers Presbytery office:

- Discipleship 1: 9am to 12pm
- Interpreting Scripture for Life and Mission - Foundations: 1pm to 4pm

Flyers are attached to the email with course information and registration details.

## COFFEE AND CHAT

Please note our changed venue this month to **Mary Mae's at New Farm**. We will start the New Year there on **Thursday March 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 until 11am**. Then we may have a chat about other suitable venues for the year. In a city full of coffee shops, there must be one that has good coffee, enough space for 12 or so people, is reasonably central with easy parking!!!

## Community Outreach

### Andy's Place Community Meal.

We need your help. The Saint Andrew's (Andy's Place) Community Meal serves over 90 guests each and every week

with a dine-in meal.

If you are able to help with cooking, serving or greeting or just want to know more about

what we do. Have a chat to Susan or Rex or email the Co-Ordinator, Jennet Niven, at:

[communitymeal@saintandrews.org.au](mailto:communitymeal@saintandrews.org.au)

Help the Environment and Recycle your containers. No C10161825. **NOW ACCEPTING**

**WINE AND SPIRIT BOTTLES!**

Bring approved containers to church and leave them in the red bin in the kitchen area or deposit your containers at a recycle depot and quote the Saint Andrew's scheme No C10161825 the cash refund goes directly to our account for the Community Meal. Please talk to Beth Brand or Rex Niven.

# +Bits and Pieces continued



Live life your way

## Grief & Loss Community Workshop

Wednesday 26th March 2025

9.00am - 2.00pm Level 5,

192 Ann St Brisbane CBD

While death is the first thing that comes to mind when we talk about grief, there are many other losses that cause us to grieve as well. This workshop is designed to be educational, informative and interactive. The cost is \$40 per person which includes a catered morning tea and lunch.

Tickets are available to purchase via our [Eventbrite page here](#)

## Giving by Direct Debit:

### **SAINT ANDREW'S CHURCH ACCOUNT:**

- UCA St Andrew's Uniting Church
- BSB 334040
- Account number 553877638

### **FOR ANDYS PLACE:**

Andy's Place

BSB: 114 879

Account Number: 497923539

**IMPORTANT:** When making a direct debit donation ensure you use a REFERENCE as below eg :

- Social Justice Table
- 'Park-Name' (Parking+your name)



## CONGRATULATIONS!!

In February 1965, a very young Andrea Simpson (now Hall-Brown) moved to Brisbane from Rockhampton to attend University. She transferred her membership from St Andrew's Rockhampton to St Andrew's Creek St Presbyterian Church. To celebrate Andrea's 60 years of continuous membership here, there will be cake for morning tea after church.

# ANDY'S PLACE



## NEW WASHING MACHINE AND DRYER

Andy's Place has installed a new washing machine and dryer in the space outside the toilets. This is to enable us to do the washing of the table cloths, aprons and tea towels on site rather than volunteers taking them home to wash.

Many thanks to those who have spent many hours carrying, washing, drying and folding the tablecloths, tea towels and aprons from the Saturday meal and Thursday breakfasts! Peter & Lorraine, Sue & Ken, Jennet, Rex & Jann, and Kiran (and anyone else)- your incredible efforts have been greatly appreciated.

Any advice on how to avoid apron strings tying everything in knots would be well received!!

+ Plus One  
List ... items  
still needed

Lip balm

Sun screen

Personal hand and face wipes

Tinned meals

## Saturday Meal

Jo and her team prepared meatball stroganoff with pasta and vegetables with a GF option on request and a Tofu stroganoff with pasta and vegetables that was both V and GF and for dessert Pavlova with cream and fruit which was GF.

We had the band - No Strings Attached - playing pre the meal ( they were so melodious that when I was out in the garden a member of the public on Creek St. ( that became a guest I think ) was singing along 😊 )

Note- if it is easier for you to donate rather than purchase items, the new BSB details are:

St George Bank

BSB: 114879

A/C: 497923539 noted as Andy's Shop.



# Art in the Christian Tradition

Sunday 23 February 2025 – Lectionary Link



Hands all together

2007

Avondale Pattillo United Methodist Church

Photograph

> <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=55247>

## Prayers of the People

Holy God, you gather the whole universe  
into your radiant presence  
and continually reveal your Son as our Savior.

Bring healing to all wounds,  
make whole all that is broken,  
speak truth to all illusion,  
and shed light in every darkness,  
that all creation will see your glory  
and know your Christ.

Amen.



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