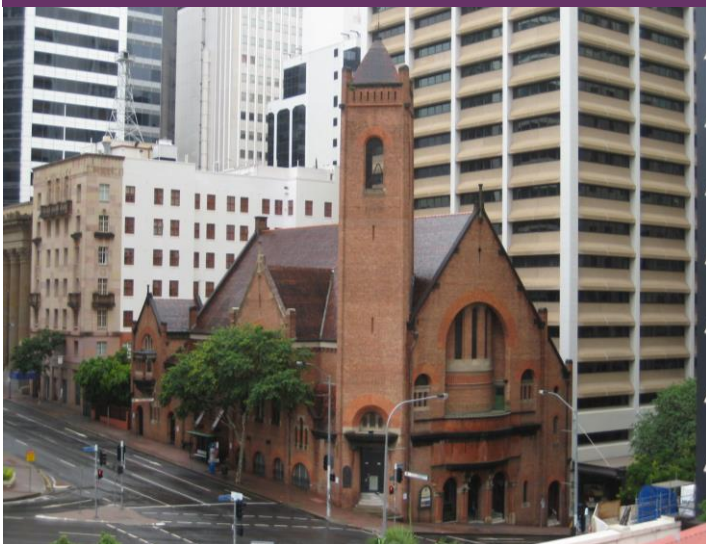




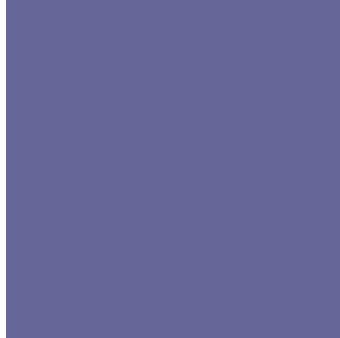
Saint Andrew's Uniting Church



NEWS AND NOTES

30 March 2025

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: 1st 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 to have it sent to you. Sermons are also available on YouTube – <https://tinyurl.com/SaintAndrewsYouTube>

Readings for the coming week: 30 March 2025 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

1 st Reading:	Joshua 5:9-12
Psalm	32
2 nd Reading:	2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Gospel:	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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

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

March 2025

What's happening	Event	When	Time
Church Services	Sunday Service	Every Sunday	9:30am
Church Services Holy Communion	Sunday Service	Every 1 st 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	First Thursday of every month	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

NEWS & NOTES are now online!

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

+Bits and Pieces

Children's Worship Bulletins

It has been decided not to renew the subscription for the Children's Bulletins online.

Over the next few weeks, we will look at a possible replacement.

If you have any suggestions for a replacement, please contact Nick or Wilson



Prayers for the People

In the World Council of Churches Prayer Cycle we pray for [Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia](#)

May peace prevail in the Middle East and Ukraine with on going negotiations for cease fires and ultimate cessation of all hostilities.

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**

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 or Susan at minister@saintandrews.org.au to have them included here.



Church Office Open Days:

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

7am to 1.30pm. (07) 3108 4644

Administration Officer: Rosie Catt

5 Rev Susan Pickering: (07) 3108 4644

+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](#).

COFFEE AND CHAT

Coffee and Chat resumes as usual on the first Thursday of every month. Please join us on Thursday April 3rd at 9.30am

Mary Mae's in New Farm Park.

Please text Chris on 0402617439 or email on ian.withnall@gmail.com

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

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



Neighbour Day

Friday 28th March



Albert Street is hosting Neighbour Day on the 28th March 2025. It is an initiative founded by Relationships Australia with the 2025 theme of “Create, Share, Grow Belonging,” and it calls on all Australians to strengthen community ties and foster a sense of belonging in their neighbourhoods and beyond.

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)



ANDY'S PLACE

Lord Mayor's Charitable Trust

Andy's Place has been successful in an application for a \$1000 Easter grant from the Lord Mayor's Charitable Trust.

This will go towards:

- distributing Easter Eggs and Hot Cross Buns;
- decorating the tables with an Easter theme placemat, serviette and small flower posies;
- distributing an Easter card to each guest;
- buying lamb for the Saturday meal, along with roast vegetables and greens with trifle for dessert. We don't normally get lamb from our meat supplier so we will be able to purchase it.
- The Thursday breakfast will be included with Hot Cross Buns.

+ Plus One
List ... items
still needed

Caps

Rain jackets

Umbrellas

Ponchos

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.

Concerts at Saint Andrew's



Con Spirito Concerts will return
Friday **May 23rd** at 12.30pm
Please note change of date

Art in the Christian Tradition

Sunday 30 March 2025 – Lectionary Link



Prodigal Son

20th Century

Wood carving

<https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=55322>

Prayers of the People

Eternal lover of our wayward race,
we praise you for your ever-open
door.

You open your arms to accept us
even before we turn to meet your
welcome; you invite us to
forgiveness even before our hearts
are softened to repentance.

Hold before us the image of our
humanity made new, that we may
live in Jesus Christ, the model and
the pioneer of your new creation.
Amen.

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Secretary Church Council:	Mrs Robyn Lulham	0412 193 536 (M)
Office Administrator:	Ms Rosie Catt	07 3108 4644 (O)

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