



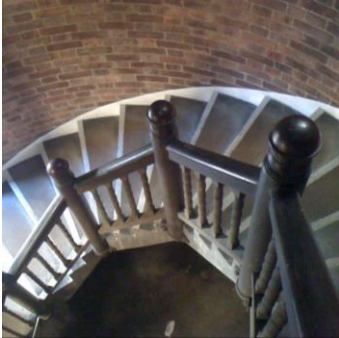
Saint Andrew's Uniting Church



NEWS AND NOTES

1 December 2024

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: 1 December 2024 – First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm Psalm 25: 1 - 10

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

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

December 2024

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	December 8th	After service
Social Group	Coffee and social chat	Thursday Dec 5th 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

NEWS & NOTES are now online!

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

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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 - 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 [Myanmar](#), [Thailand](#)

Ongoing prayers for the people of **Syria**, **Ukraine**, **Gaza Lebanon** 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

8am to 1.30pm. (07) 3108 4644

Administration Officer: Rosie Catt

5 Rev Susan Pickering: 0478368968

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ST ANDREW'S CONGREGATIONAL CELEBRATION OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

The St Andrews Congregational Christmas Celebration will be held from 5-8 pm, on Sunday, 1st December - the first Sunday in Advent 2024.

Whether you are a new attendee or have been a member of St Andrews Congregation since before the flood, you are warmly invited to join in the festivities in the back garden at 479 Payne Road, The Gap.

Children are particularly welcome.

Cost: \$15 pp Children free

Please RSVP to Rosie for catering, Friday 29th at the latest!!



Andy's Place AGM

To be held at 12pm on Friday 6 December 2024 in the Minister's Office

St Andrew's Church.

All are welcome to attend.

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.

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ANDY'S PLACE CHRISTMAS TABLE

It's time to start preparing for the final Social Justice Table for the year.

To be held on **December 8th** after Worship.

Proceeds will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for guests at the Andy's Place Christmas lunch. If you have anything to contribute, Christmas themed or otherwise, we would love you to be involved.

Donations of lemons, limes, cumquats, passionfruit or similar which could be used for jams and pickles, would be much appreciated.

See Beth for more information (0414629196)

Coffee and Chat Group - New Venue

Please join us for a cup of coffee, now at **Mary Mae's, New Farm Park** on December 5th. We meet from 9:30 to 11am, drop in anytime. Please text Chris on 0402617439 or email on ian.withnall@gmail.com



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)

Concerts at Saint Andrew's



ConSpirito Concerts will return in
March 2025.





ANDY'S PLACE

Christmas Gift Bags



Purchases are now being made for the congregations traditional Christmas gift bag being distributed to our guests at the meal on the 21st December.

Donations towards the costs for the bags can be made to:-

Andy's Place BSB 114 879 A/C 497 923 539

For a tax receipt e-mail Rex Niven at treasurer@andysplace.org.au with details.

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

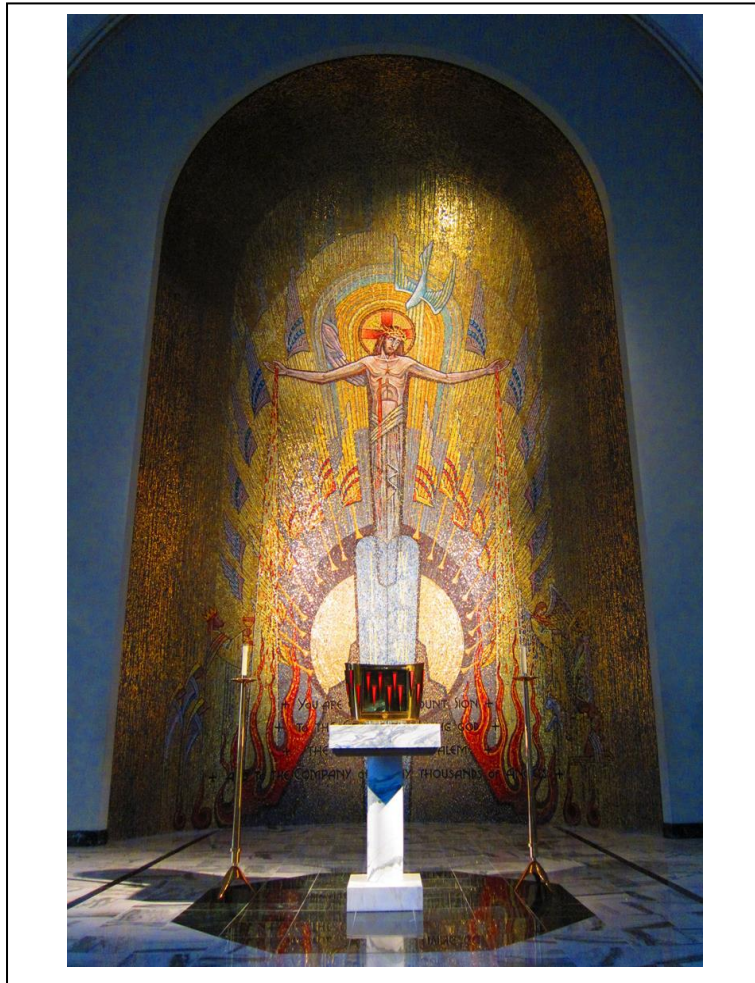
St George Bank

BSB: 114879

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

Art in the Christian Tradition

Sunday 1 December 2024 – Lectionary Link



Christ in Glory

Mosaic

Carthage, Tunisia

<https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=55288>

Prayers of the People

O God of all the prophets,
you herald the coming of the
Son of Man
by wondrous signs in the
heavens and on the earth.
Guard our hearts from despair
so that we,
in the company of the faithful
and by the power of your Holy
Spirit,
may be found ready to raise
our heads
at the coming near of our
redemption,
the day of Jesus Christ.
Amen.



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