



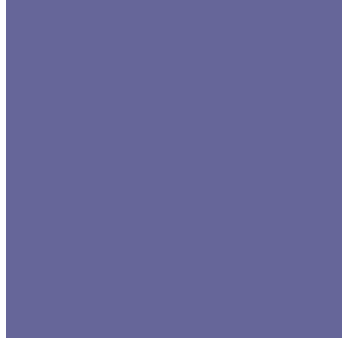
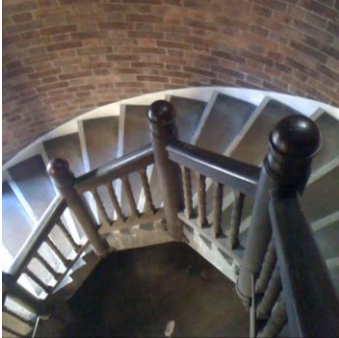
Saint Andrew's Uniting Church



NEWS AND NOTES

Sunday July 7 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: 7 July 2024 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

1 st Reading:	2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
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Psalm	Psalm 48
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2 nd Reading:	2 Corinthians 12: 2 - 10
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Gospel:	Mark 6: 1 - 13
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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
- Flower arrangers
- 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: Church2022!

+ 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

July 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	Held regularly on a Sunday. Future dates to be advised	After service
Social Group	Coffee and social chat	Every first Thursday Next: July 4 th 9 30 – 11am	Riva 285 Macarthur Ave Hamilton

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 [Eritrea](#), [Ethiopia](#)

Please pray for all involved in NAIDOC week and national unity.

Ongoing prayers for the people of **Syria**, **Ukraine**, **Gaza** 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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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Please save Sunday August 18th

For our next Congregational Meeting. After the 9.30am Worship Service.

Coffee and Chat Group



Please join us for a cup of coffee, at Riva (formerly River Room), 285 Macarthur Ave, Hamilton on July 4th. We meet from 9:30 to 11am, drop in anytime. Ian and I look forward to joining you on August 1. Please text Chris on 0402617439 or email on ian.withnall@gmail.com

There is a change of parking around the Bluey's World development. Parking is still available near the tennis courts and a pathway available between the tennis courts and the development which brings you onto the river walk.

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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WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW CHURCH COUNCILLORS

Owing to a couple of retirements from the Church Council in recent times, we are looking to fill up to two positions on church council. If you are interested and would like to know more about the role of a church councillor, then just chat to Nick Tate or any of the other members of the council.

The process for the election of councillors, as outlined by UCA is as follows:

- Complete a nomination form – available from Rosie or any current church councillor – and submit to Nick Tate (Chair) nicktate@optushome.com.au, or Robyn Lulham (Secretary).
- Nominations close on the 1st August.
- Nominees' names will be publicised on the 4th and the 11th of August.
- If necessary, an election will be held at the Congregational Meeting on the 18th August.

Vale Rev Bill Adams

Rev Bill Adams passed away on Sunday. His family have kindly provided the details of his funeral service which will be on Thursday 18 July at 2pm.

The funeral will be held at the Newlife Uniting Church, Robina (on the Gold Coast). The address is 4 Greenwich Court (off Markeri St), Robina. There will be afternoon tea afterwards.

We will arrange a livestream and details of the link will be sent to you days before the funeral. We welcome all to attend or watch - please share the details with your friends and networks of people who knew Bill.

Thank you for your continuing messages of goodwill and stories about Bill.

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)

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Learning for Living Semester 2 – Lay Preacher Course

You are invited to join us online for Semester 2 of the Learning for Living Course run by the Moreton Rivers Presbytery.

This semester is a continuation from Semester 1's Talking with God, but it is okay to start here at Semester two.

This course is designed as a general interest course suitable for all those wanting to explore their faith further as well as for those wishing to undertake Lay Preacher accreditation or considering a period of discernment. It is facilitated by Rev Lyn Burden and Dr Shirley Coulson and other qualified guest presenters.

The semester runs from 18th July until the 7th November on a Thursday night from 6:30-8:30pm

Any further information can be sought by contacting the Moreton Rivers Presbytery office via email: office@mrpres.org.au

Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=y-R4lO-iMUKeObmwhc-Y3D6iJkJMSWBHl-bfHX->



NAIDOC Week

Members of the church community are encouraged to attend **NAIDOC Week** events next week and keep investing time in building connections with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the state. As members of the Uniting Church in Australia, we celebrate the 30th Anniversary of The Covenanting Statement on 10th July this year. We as peoples who have chosen to be in relationship with God through the Uniting Church in Australia, should also look to be in curious, supportive and renewing relationships with each other. See the [UnitingCare Qld Event Guide for National NAIDOC Week 2024](#)



HELP!! (Please...)

Our regular Morning Tea volunteers are unable to be with us on July 14th.

If you could possibly help let us know!

This is a one off request....however, you may really enjoy it and...

Concerts at Saint Andrew's



The next Con Spirito Concert will be on
Friday July 26th at 12.30pm

This will be a piano recital by Jonah Patuto.



ANDY'S PLACE

Volunteer News

On Saturday, Rev Susan took some of the community meal volunteers through another training session. This was to help them understand and deal with issues that could arise in dealing with the vulnerable inner city people. Many guests choose to wait some hours in the street before the meal is prepared and the hall open. For some, their life is complicated, the cost of living stretching them to breaking point and their sensitivities are heightened. Training is important for those who volunteer to help out each Saturday, especially the Supervisory team. Thank you to Susan for preparing and delivering the training.



MORE THANK YOU'S

As a congregation we should be proud of the many hours of effort put in by individuals and teams to make life a little more comfortable and welcoming to those attending our meals.

There is a sense of community for the participants.

Not least are the 'behind-the-scene' teams of launderers for tablecloths and aprons, Emily who keeps the website updated, our coordinator who liaises with the Inner City Food Forum and keeps everything rolling along.

Your efforts are appreciated by those who know what it takes to plan, shop for, prepare and cook the meals. For those who set up and take down the tables and chairs in the hall every meal; those who set the tables, serve and clear the plates, those who look after the dishwasher, those who spend time listening and talking with guests when appropriate, those who cheerfully and faithfully attend to their tasks.



Saturday Meal

The number of guests arriving for the Saturday lunch is slowly rising. 107 meals were served on Saturday. Andrea and her team prepared Shepherd's Pie (GF) and vegan Spanakopita with assorted greens. Apple crumble with custard was served for dessert, as well as a GF option. All was well received, and again nothing was left over. Thanks also to extra volunteers from Lismore Retreat.

ANDY'S PLACE

ANDY'S PLACE SHOP NEWS

Supplies are not so readily available now, and milk, either fresh or UHT is having to be purchased. Donations continue to be received for Andy's place, both within the congregation and externally, so there is no pressure on making sensible purchases of needed food and other supplies.

Clothing donations have been generous. Rex is a familiar face in the discount stores from Morayfield to Capalaba.

Our 'shop' also received a lot of attention with most of the clothing distributed, and all the usual toiletries being given out. Pantry items are very popular.

Foodbank has many demands for goods in bulk from the many charities making up food parcels, volunteers providing breakfast in schools etc., so usually there is little available for us to make the Saturday meal and the Thursday breakfast. However, a visit made to 'Second Bite' yielded potatoes, tomatoes, avocado, bread and pantry items.

The new Andy's Place aprons were well received by our cook and hall volunteers. This brings a further sense of belonging and community to our volunteers and guests.



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

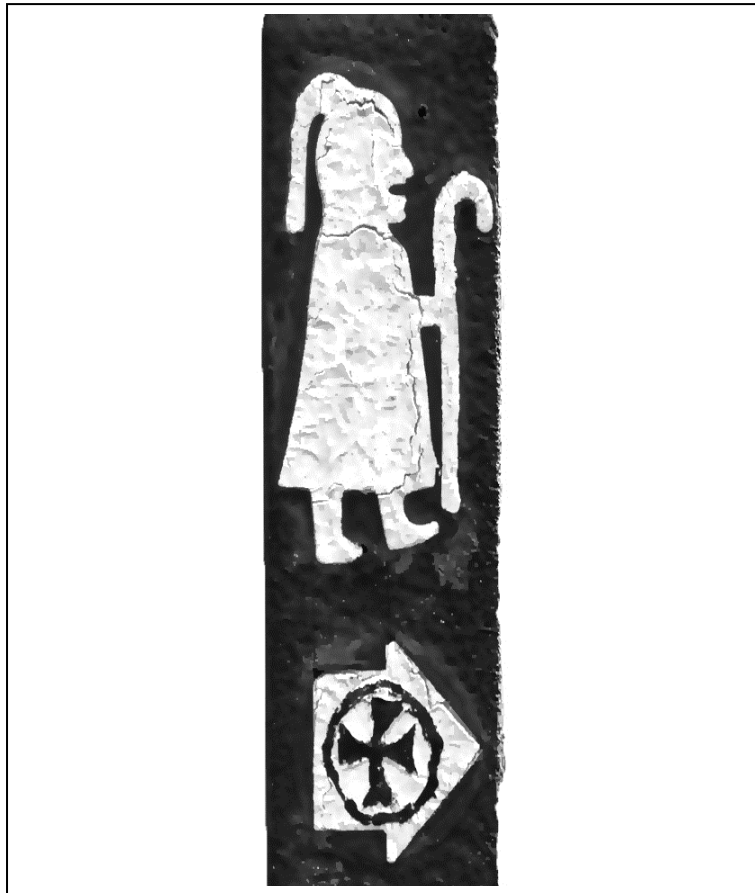
St George Bank

BSB: 114879

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

Art in the Christian Tradition

Sunday – 7 July 2024 – Lectionary Link



Pilgrim with Staff

20th Century

Ireland

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Prayers of the People

God of grace and powerful
weakness,
at times your prophets were
ignored, rejected, belittled,
and unwelcome.
Trusting that we, too, are
called to be prophets,
fill us with your Spirit,
and support us by your gentle
hands,
that we may persevere in
speaking your word
and living our faith.
Amen

<https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=55257>



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