



St Mary's

ANGLICAN CHURCH

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Weekly Services

8:30am Sunday

Traditional Holy Communion service with Hymns

10:30am Sunday

All ages service with Children's program during school terms. Holy Communion on the 1st & 3rd Sundays.

5.00pm Sunday

All ages service with contemporary music followed by dinner.

10:00am Wednesday

Traditional Anglican Communion service

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish hall following our morning services.

Weekly Activities

Music Playtime

Music playgroup for preschoolers
Thursdays, 10-11.30am
Song, Dance & Craft

Kids United

Kids Club for primary schoolers
Fridays, 3.45 – 5.00pm
Faith based stories, music & games

Youth United

Youth Group for secondary school
Sundays, 6.15-8.15pm
Games, Faith based chats & a meal

Stitch & Sew

Craft and Chat Group
Tuesdays, 1-3pm

Home Groups

Small groups meeting in homes to study the bible and support each other. Various times and dates.

**St Mary's is a community:
Loving God, Following Jesus, Sharing God's love with all.**



Prayer and Praise Points



Pray for Wardens & Parish Council

- Mark Armstrong, Noel Sprague, Wendy Caramarco,
- Don Cottell, Samantha Dennett, Alan Phillips, Peter Schou, Michael Williams

Pray for St Mary's Community Store

- For our Community Store volunteers, committee and the customers they serve.

Pray for our Kids Hope program

- For God's guidance and protection for all Kids Hope children and their mentors

Pray for Chibobo orphanage

- Give thanks for 10 years of St. Mary's formal links to Chibobo and His many blessings during that time
- For the next steps in the chicken rearing and egg laying project
- For those in the Chibobo community facing the prospect of famine in the coming months, and for our ability to support them financially.

Pray for Ridley Melbourne

- For the staff and students at Ridley Melbourne Mission & Ministry College, especially for those from St Mary's who are studying at Ridley College

Pray for Chaplaincy in our schools

- Michael Wanyama at Sunbury Heights
- Tracey Hodge at Kismet Park PS
- Robert Nansen at Sunbury SC
- Lynn Armstrong at Sunbury Downs
- Goonawarra PS as they search for a new Chaplain

Pray for our CMS link missionaries

- Thanks to God for Grace's work developing a Children's Ministry Team.
- Please pray for Chris and Grace and for those who have been recipients of their ministry in various ways.

Pray for CareWorks SunRanges

- For all volunteers and the people they minister to in our community.

This week we give thanks....

- For the service of Max Langshaw, Emily Clements and Phil Stacy on Parish Council.

This week we pray especially...

- For Greg, Frances, Ben and Monique Hayes as they prepare for the funeral of Alick on Thursday at 11am at St Mary's.
- For those we know who are unwell, and those receiving ongoing treatment especially for Duane, Edith and Adrian

Pray for St Mary's Staff and Leadership

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| • Gavin Ward- <i>Vicar</i> | 0409 971 122 |
| • Matthew Browne- <i>Curate</i> | 0401 615 099 |
| • Narelle Riley- <i>Parish Administrator</i> | 0408 406 424 |
| • Laura Paul- <i>Children's Outreach</i> | 0457 750 975 |
| • Ros Armstrong- <i>Discipleship & Ministry training coordinator</i> | 0438 706 815 |

Names for the prayer list are refreshed at the beginning of each month.

To add a name to the list, email admin@stmarysanglican.org.au or fill out a communication card.

Items for the pewsheet should be emailed to the editor by 7pm Tuesday

newsletter@stmarysanglican.org.au



News and Announcements



Congratulations

Congratulations to Matt Browne who was Ordained as a Priest in St Paul's Cathedral yesterday. May God continue to guide, bless and strengthen you as you serve Him in His church.
Gavin on behalf of the Parish

Special Thanks for a Huge Weekend

Last weekend was a very full one. My thanks to Jeremiah and Laura (and Lesley McInerney) who led a wonderful Quiet Prayer Day on Saturday. My thanks to those who opened their gardens and who assisted with the open gardens afternoon on Sunday. Over \$1,700 was raised for the Famine Appeal in Zambia and much fun and great conversations were had by all. My thanks also to Matt and the 5pm team for their ministry with Christian Union from Victoria University at Streetlife. Many Gospel tracts and materials were handed out and significant conversations took place.

Finally St Mary's has raised over \$9,700 towards the Famine Appeal and this together with over \$2,400 raised at Overnewton means we'll be sending over \$12,800 to HMP this week which will enable Staivous to purchase maize to feed hundreds of households in the Chibobo community for the coming months. He has already made contact and arrangements with Zambian Government officials to procure the maize and with Chibobo leaders to determine the most needy households.

Wow a wonderful Parish to be part of and what a wonderful God we serve. *Gavin*

Staff Planning Days

The Staff team will be away this **Monday** and **Tuesday (26 and 27 November)** to spend time together in prayer and to undertake some planning for our ministry life in 2019 and beyond, including sermon series and other activities. Narelle will be away for the remainder of the week. Please pray for us over these two days. *Gavin and the team*

Advent Series

Next Sunday we begin Advent with a 4 part series of sermons looking at Luke's account of the lead up to Jesus's birth. This series will be for all our services. You may like to begin reading Luke's Gospel as we prepare for Christmas. *Gavin*

Friday Friendship Lunch

Friday Friendship Lunch will be on this **Friday 30 November** at 12.30pm in the hall. All are welcome to come along.

Traditional Evensong

To begin Advent **next Sunday** we will be holding a Traditional Evensong Service at **7.30pm** from the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. This is a great opportunity to invite friends, family and neighbours who may remember growing up with this service.
Gavin

Upcoming Christmas Related Services (to put in your diaries)

- Sunday 2 December - Traditional Evensong- 7.30pm at St. Mary's
- Saturday 8 December - Carols on the Green
- Saturday 15 December - Combined Lessons and Carols Service- 7.30pm at Mt Carmel
- Thursday 20 December - "Blue Christmas" Service with Combined Churches and Tobin Brothers- 7.30pm at St Andrew's Uniting Church

Service team availability

It's almost time to prepare the next service rosters which will cover the period from **23 December** to **24 February**. If there are any dates in that period that you know you will not be available please advise Narelle via communication card or email by **9 December**.

CMS Tins

If you have a CMS tin, would you please hand it to me or Narelle in the next few weeks. Many thanks for your support. *Pamela Allan*

Stitch and Sew lunch

Stitch and Sew ladies invite other ladies of St. Mary's to come along for lunch at Soltan Pepper in Romsey on **Tuesday 4 December** at 12 O'clock. Main course meals are available for the cost of \$16 - \$21. There will also be the option of a 3 course Christmas lunch for \$37. Car pooling will be available for those who wish to use this offer. Meet outside St. Mary's church by 11.15am. Please speak to Gill, Marj, Heather, Beryl or Annette if you would like to join us.

Volunteers Needed

Carols on the Green is on **Saturday 8 December** from 5 pm. The LEC is looking for volunteers who can help on the day with various tasks. If you can help please call Ian or Chris Prosser on 9740 8939. There will be an information session for volunteers on **Tuesday 27 November** at 7.30 at St Mary's Parish house. Jobs include setting up and taking down the tents, distributing programs, collecting offering, helping with children's activities. It is a good way of working and serving with Fellow Christians in Sunbury.



Sunday November 25th, 2018



Prayer for the Day

Our Loving Father,
 We thank you that nothing can separate us from your love.
 We praise you that you did not withhold your own Son,
 But gave him up for all of us.
 Enable us by your Spirit, to treasure these truths in our hearts,
 And to be sure of your love for us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Bible verse for the Day

“For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 8:38–39

Sunday- 8.30am & 10.30am

Preacher- Matt Browne

Readings- Romans 8:31-39

John 17:24-26

“Nothing can separate us from God’s love”

Pg 919

Pg 880

Sunday- 5.00pm

Preacher- Matt Browne

“Nothing can separate us from God’s love”

Dinner: Hotdogs

\$2.00

Wednesday- 10.00am

“Nothing can separate us from God’s love”

Services Next Week

beginning **Sunday 2nd December**

Sunday- 8.30am & 10.30am

Preacher- Matt Browne

“Luke’s infancy narrative- introducing John the Baptist”

Readings- Luke 1:1-20

Pg 830

Luke 1:21-25

Pg 831

Sunday- 5.00pm

Preacher- Matt Browne

“Luke’s infancy narrative- introducing John the Baptist”

Dinner: Chicken & Salad

\$5.00

Wednesday- 10.00am

“Luke’s infancy narrative- introducing John the Baptist”



New offertory and giving graph
 coming soon..... watch this space!

Dates for your Diary

(see the calendar on the website for more dates)

- 26-27 Nov- Staff Planning Retreat
- 30 Nov- Friday Friendship Lunch
- 1 Dec- Games Night
- 2 Dec- Evensong at St. Mary’s
- 8 Dec- Carols on the Green
- 10 Dec- Parish Prayer Meeting
- 15 Dec- Combined Lessons/Carols at Mt. Carmel
- 18 Dec- Riddell Gardens Nursing Home Service

Bank Account Details

St Marys Anglican Church Sunbury

BSB number- **083918**

Account Number- **516062042**