



St Mary's

ANGLICAN CHURCH SUNBURY

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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. Crèche available for pre-schoolers. Monthly Holy Communion.

10:00am Wednesday

Traditional Holy Communion service with Hymns

Weekly Activities

Music Playtime

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

Youth United

Youth Group for secondary school
Fridays, 7.00-8.30pm
Games, faith based chats & supper

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.

Wonderful to have you join us today

Toilets- The toilets and baby change facilities are located in the Parish Hall. Please see the welcomers for a key.

Refreshments- We would love you to join us for refreshments in the Parish hall following our morning services and dinner following our 5pm service.

Prayer- If you would like prayer for a specific need, please fill out a communication card and put it in the box at the back of the church or in the offertory plate.

Communion- We have gluten free wafers available- please let us know when you come to Communion if you require one. Wine is available in the chalice or individual cups, or grape juice is available in individual cups.

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
- Samantha Dennett, Danielle Johanesen, Alan Phillips, Esther Rule, Peter Schou,

Pray for our Kids Hope program

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

Pray for Chibobo orphanage

- Praise God for the news that Memory and Staivous are expecting another child and pray for God's protection over Memory and the baby
- For Staivous as he works through some complex issues around the Secondary School (which has been temporarily closed) and also continuing to provide food for those in need.

Pray for St Mary's Community Store

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

Pray for CareWorks SunRanges

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

Pray for our CMS link missionaries

- Give thanks for the arrival of Emily and her ongoing improvement from early infections.

Pray for Chaplaincy in our schools

- Klara Hahne at Sunbury Heights
- Nicky Gallus at Kismet Park PS
- Robert Nansen at Sunbury SC
- Angelo Snell at Sunbury Downs
- Ellie Priest at Ardeer Primary School

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

This week we pray especially...

- For Archbishop Philip Freier as he steps down as Head of the Anglican Church in Australia, but remains as our Archbishop
- For the Lay Ecumenical Committee and all the volunteers as we prepare for Christmas on the Green
- For the Kids Hope team as they hold a farewell party for the children at Sunbury West on Thursday 5 December
- For those we know who are unwell, especially for Duane and Spencer

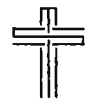
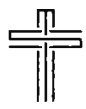
Pray for St Mary's Staff and Leadership

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| • Gavin Ward- | <i>Vicar</i> | 0409 971 122 |
| • Matt Browne- | <i>Curate</i> | 0401 615 099 |
| • Narelle Riley- | <i>Manager of Operational Ministries</i> | 0408 406 424 |
| • Ros Armstrong- | <i>Discipleship & Ministry training coordinator</i> | 0438 706 815 |
| • Max Langshaw- | <i>Maintenance & Grounds coordinator</i> | 0419 789 948 |
| • Kristine Green- | <i>Community Store coordinator</i> | 0431 345 788 |

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



Advent Sermon Series

What's in a name? Today we begin our Advent Series looking at some of the names given to Jesus as prophesied by the Prophet Isaiah. Each week we'll be reflecting on each name as we add to a piece put together by the Stitch'n'Sew Group and which will be put up on display. My thanks to Ros Armstrong for this idea and the Stitch'n'Sew team who have produced a wonderful, creative work. May this Advent season be one of rich blessing for us all. *Gavin*

Inviting someone to a Christmas Service

Last week in my sermon I encouraged us all to think about who we might invite to a service over the Christmas period. I encourage you to continue to pray about that person and to invite them to join you at one of our services leading up to Christmas or over Christmas. The list of services are in the Pew Sheet and will be available on flyers next week. Let's pray God will do great things this Christmas in the lives of those we care about most. *Gavin*

Christmas Service Times

Our specific Christmas Services are:-
. Thursday 19 December - 7.30pm - Blue Christmas at St Andrews (combined with other churches)
. Saturday 21 December - 7.30pm - Lessons and Carols at St Mary's (combined with other Churches)
. Tuesday 24 December - 7pm - Christmas Eve
. Tuesday 24 December - 11pm - Christmas Eve (followed by cake and sparkling wine)
. Wednesday 25 December - 9.30am - Christmas Day
. Sunday 29 December - 9.30am (Combined Parish Service)

Community Store

On behalf everyone I thank Kristine Green and all the volunteers in the Community Store for their hard work and efforts during the year, particularly with the recent vandalism and break ins at the Store. We will be enjoying a Christmas Lunch together on Monday. Well done everyone. *Gavin*

Building Update

The Architect has received tenders from 3 builders and Noel Sprague and the team will be meeting with the Architect over the next couple of weeks to work through the tenders.

Christmas Cake and Champagne

Following the 11pm service on Christmas Eve, our annual "get together" is on again this year when cake and sparkling wine will be served! Donations of cake and wine would be appreciated. *Noel Sprague and Pam Allan*

Sunbury Christmas on the Green (1)

Can you spare some time on Saturday 14 December? We are seeking assistance to put up/ take down marquees and to supervise our church hall (toilets will be used by public). If you can spare even 30 minutes please contact Gwen on 0412 547 643.

Sunbury Christmas on the Green (2)

We are still looking for more volunteers to help with the children's activities: Face painting, crafts and games. If you have a Working With Children Card and are able to help, please contact Wilmy on 9740 9448 or wilmyjohnson@hotmail.com, or put your name down on the signup sheet available at your church.



Sunday December 1st, 2019



Prayer for the Day

Hidden God,
 whose wisdom compels our love
 and unsettles all our values:
 fill us with desire to search for your truth,
 that we may transform the world,
 becoming fools for your sake, through Jesus Christ,
 your Word and Wisdom made flesh,
 to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Bible verse for the Day

"The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord."
 Isaiah 11:2

Sunday- 8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

Wednesday- 10.00am

Preacher:- Matthew Browne

Theme:- "He shall be called... Wonderful Counsellor"

Readings:- Isaiah 9:1-7 Pg 555 Matthew 7:24-29 Pg 788

Services Next Week

beginning **Sunday 8th December**

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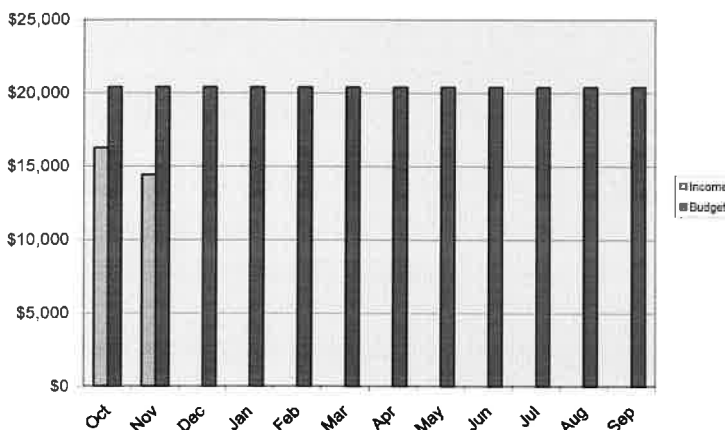
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Preacher:- Gavin Ward

Theme:- "He shall be called... Mighty God"

Readings:- Isaiah 9:1-7 Pg 555 John 1:1-5 Pg 862

Offertory income vs budget 2019/20



Dates for your Diary

- (see the calendar on the website for more dates)
- 3 Dec- Riddell Gardens Nursing Home Srv
 - 7 Dec- Games Night
 - 9 Dec- Parish Prayer Meeting
 - 14 Dec- Christmas on the Green
 - 18 Dec- MU & BCA Prayer Meeting
 - 19 Dec- Lions Hostel Nursing Home Service
 - 19 Dec- Blue Christmas at St Andrew's
 - 21 Dec- Lessons & Carols at St Mary's
 - 24 Dec- 7pm Christmas Eve Service
 - 24 Dec- 11pm Christmas Eve Service
 - 25 Dec- 9.30 Combined Christmas Service

Account Details for Offertory donations

St Marys Anglican Church Sunbury BSB number- **083918** Account Number- **516062042**

Account Details for Future building fund

St Marys Anglican Church Sunbury BSB number- **703122** Account Number- **05004990**