



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 Johansen, Alan Phillips, Matt Reeve, Esther Rule, Peter Schou, Annette Swaffield

Pray for our Kids Hope program

- For the mentors and children as they reconnect or make new connections for this year and for God's protection over the children and these relationships

Pray for Chibobo orphanage

- For Staivous as he continues his studies at University and leads HMP.

Pray for our CMS link missionaries

- For God's strength and wisdom for Chris and Grace Adams (with Micah and Emily) as they settle back into Timor Leste and resume their ministry there

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 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 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

Praise God especially...

- For a wonderful and safe 5pm Community Camp last weekend

This week we pray especially...

- For those affected by the coronavirus, in Australia and around the world, and for God's guiding hand on those who are looking for a vaccine
- For those we know who are unwell, especially for Helen and Ian

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



Prayer Retreat Day

I am having a Prayer Retreat Day on **Tuesday**. Please let me know of any specific Prayer Requests for you.
Gavin

Men's Breakfast– Saturday 14– 8.30am

Men of St Mary's are invited to come along to the hall on **Saturday 14 March** at 8.30 for breakfast and to hear from Phil Stacy about his time serving God with Mission Aviation Fellowship in PNG. Cost is \$10 for breakfast. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the table in the hall. *Max Langshaw*

Lenten Suggestion (Reminder)

Last week I suggested that during Lent instead (or in addition to) us giving up chocolate, coffee, alcohol etc we might consider giving up being negative or adding our voice to negative conversations we may become part of. Perhaps we could instead be the ones who provide the positive voice in those conversations - helping people around us to see and appreciate what God has blessed us with - friends, family, children, neighbours etc. This is very Biblical as we read in Proverbs 12:18 "**The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.**" Perhaps this could become our memory verse for Lent which we remind ourselves of each morning. Will you join me in doing this? May God use our words this Lenten period to bring His healing to people. *Gavin*

CMS Tins

Two unnamed CMS boxes were handed in before Christmas. They are waiting for collection so please see me or Narelle if one belongs to you. Many thanks, *Pamela Allan*

Carols on the Green

A small group of people from the Lay Ecumenical Committee is currently reviewing the use of the Village Green for Carols, given Hume Council works and restrictions. This review will include looking at the logistics of using another site around Sunbury for Carols - not necessarily for this year but perhaps for 2021 and beyond. If you have an interest in where Carols might best be located, please contact Peter Chivell at his email address:- pjchivell@gmail.com and he would love to have you on his team. He plans to be reporting back to the LEC in May 2020 on his thoughts. *Gavin*

Ancient Wisdom for Today

This week's Proverb is:- Proverbs 11:2
"When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom." *Gavin*

Church Cleaning Roster

The new church cleaning roster is at the back of the church, ready for you to add your name! If each family takes 1-2 weeks throughout the year the entire roster will be filled in no time! The cleaning can usually be done on a Thursday evening, Friday or Saturday and a Parish councillor is rostered on each month to oversee and assist with key access etc.

Prison Fellowship biscuit bake

Prison Fellowship requires 86,000 biscuits to show Victorian prisoners that the Christian community has not forgotten them. This is a real, practical and simple way to give a profound message of love and hope. Each prisoner will receive a packet of biscuits containing a card that speaks of God's love and Jesus' death and resurrection. All biscuits need to be homemade. Please ensure that they are CRISP and will not crumble. (e.g. Choc Chip, Ginger Snap, Oatmeal). Please do not use NUTS or peanut butter. Biscuits must be in sealed, disposable containers (ice-cream containers are ideal). All ingredients must be clearly listed on the top of the container. Biscuits should be left in the kitchen by **Sunday 29 March**, or for some fun and fellowship, join us for our Biscuit bake-a-thon on **Saturday 28 March!** Sign up on the sheet on the women's ministry noticeboard for a time slot and bring your ingredients, bake in the hall in our new ovens and enjoy a chat and cuppa whilst the cookies bake!

TAKE THE CAKE EXHIBITION

Join a group from St Mary' visiting the FREE "take the cake" exhibition on **Tuesday 24 March** at the Ian Potter Gallery where they will be on display as part of the Melbourne food and wine festival. They will be catching the 9.40am train from Melbourne, returning later in the afternoon. For more information see the notice on the Women's ministry board and let Sandie Braun know if you'll be attending on 0413 921 410. All welcome!

Good Friday Ecumenical Service– has moved!

For your diaries etc - the Good Friday Ecumenical Service this year will be held at St Anne's Catholic Church in Riddell Road, commencing at 10am. Matt Browne will be the speaker. The move is due to Hume Council restrictions on numbers in the Memorial Hall. There will be posters available soon.
Gavin

✠ Sunday March 8th, 2020 ✠

Prayer for the Day

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray,
and give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid,
and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask,
save through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ,
your Son our Lord. Amen.

Bible verse for the Day

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

Sunday- 8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

Wednesday- 10.00am

Preacher:- Matt Browne

Theme:-

"Ephesians – Powerful Prayer"

Readings:- Ephesians 3:1-21 Pg 950 Luke 22:35-46 Pg 858

Services Next Week

beginning **Sunday 15th March**

Sunday- 8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

Wednesday- 10.00am

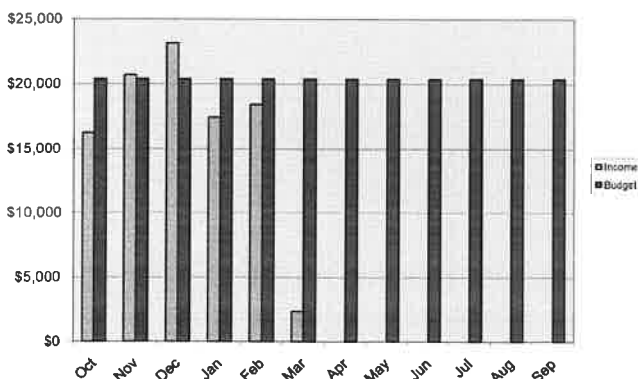
Preacher:- Matt Browne

Theme:-

"Ephesians – Unity in Christ"

Readings:- Ephesians 4:1-16 Pg 951 Luke 22:47-53 Pg 858

Offeritory income vs budget 2019/20



Dates for your Diary

(see the calendar on the website for more dates)

- 9 Mar- Just4Causes Car Show
- 10 Mar- Riddell Gardens Nursing Home Servic
- 14 Mar- Men's Breakfast
- 16 Mar- Parish Prayer Meeting
- 18 Mar- MU & BCA Prayer Meeting
- 28 Mar- Prison Fellowship Biscuit Bake
- 4 Apr- Games Night
- 6 Apr- Parish Council Meeting
- 14 Apr- Riddell Gardens Nursing Home Servic

Account Details for Offeritory donations

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

Account Details for Future building fund

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