

Epping Anglicans

Parish of Saint Alban's, Epping
with Saint Aidan's, West Epping

Our Vision: To be a city on a hill - a worshipping community,
loving Jesus and the people around us.

9th Sunday after Pentecost

7 August 2022

8.00am Eucharist

Reader: Jane Bryant

Preacher: The Reverend Bob Mendelsohn, Jews for Jesus

10.00am Eucharist

Also available by zoom

Reader: Sue Armitage

Preacher: The Reverend Bob Mendelsohn, Jews for Jesus

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516182389>

If you are dialling in, the number is: 8015 6011

Meeting ID: 825 1618 2389 followed by #

(and another # - there isn't a participants number). *A password isn't required.*

Please keep your computer or phone on "mute" during the service.

To mute/unmute your phone, press *6

Please stay online for a time of fellowship.

COVID-19 and attendance at Services

Services of worship are open to all people. Due to COVID-19 still being present in the community, and the authorities are expecting another wave, we recommend that those attending worship or other church activities:

- Be fully vaccinated;
- Stay at home if feeling unwell;
- Wear masks while in the church building and not remove them to sing;
- Use hand-sanitiser regularly.

We also encourage parishioners to receive the extra booster.

Prayers for the people of Ukraine, and for the people of Russia

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

We also recognise the suffering of Russian soldiers and citizens who have been drawn into a war not of their making. May they display courage in their convictions and calls for peace. May they look to you as a source of comfort in the face of tyranny and the hardships that will flow from their government's actions.
Amen.



The memorial flowers today
are in loving memory of
Dennis Meintjes
from Barbara,
Mark and Craig.

Today's Choir Anthem

Wake Every Breath by William Billings (1746-1800)

William Billings was born in Boston and is regarded as the first American professional choral composer. He was involved in teaching singing throughout his life and established the first singing school in Boston which later became the first music school in the USA. Billings had several teaching positions, which he carried out at various churches. He organized the first church choir in America at Old South Church in Boston and served as its choir director.

Text of the Anthem:

Wake ev'ry breath and every string,
To bless the great Redeemer King,
His name through e'vry climb adored!
Let joy, and gratitude, and love,
Through all the notes of music move,
And "Jesus" sound on every chord.

Also some good news about success of our Organ Scholars this week:

Enoch won Second Place in Junior Piano Championship at St George Eisteddfod

Isabel (glockenspiel) and Enoch (piano) won First Place in Secondary Age Small Ensemble section at City of Ryde Eisteddfod.



Church:

Harbord - St Mark; Loquat Valley School; Manly - St Matthew;
Manly Vale/Allambie Heights
Epping Uniting Church; The Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford
Rough Edges (*Mission of the Month*)

In our World and Community:

Pray for the many people suffering the emotional and economic miseries of conflict, oppression, famine, and other humanitarian crises: those who mourn, the displaced, the homeless, the hungry and the refugees. Pray for those delivering aid and hope, and those offering a place of safety to the refugee and the asylum seeker.

Pray for the continuing Covid and flu situation; the ill and those who are caring for them: our friends, family and members of our parish, may they experience God's love, peace and caring presence.

Pray for all those of our parish community who are ill, those suffering in mind and body: pray for their families and their carers, may they experience God's love, peace and caring presence. Remember those who are mourning, and pray that they will know God's love at this time.

Pray for our new Government and the members of Parliament; the new members and those returning: grant them wisdom, skill, and energy, and may they govern with integrity for the good of all.

Pray for our parish: for our clergy, music director, organ scholars, choir, parish administrator and our children's ministry worker. Pray for the children in our Sunday School, and their teachers, may they learn, play and share together.

Prayer for this week

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Recently died:

Ron Peel. Ron's funeral will be held at St Alban's this Tuesday 9 August at 1.30pm followed by a burial at Castlebrook Cemetery, Rouse Hill.

Anne Sheather (the wife of the late Bill Sheather) died recently and her funeral will take place this Wednesday 10 August in the South Chapel, Northern Suburbs Crematorium at 12noon.

Anniversary of Death:

Nell Fairbairn 8/8; Ellen Johnson 8/8; Selwyn Gilling 9/8;
Selina Van Derweyden 9/8; Roy Cooper 9/8; Isabel Whittington 10/8;
Lance Fitcher 10/8; Catherine Nyholm 11/8; Jenny Schubert 11/8;
Ian Arnold 11/8; Joy Jones 12/8; Dudley Mander 12/8; Alison Macdonald 12/8;
Audrey Church 13/8; Jean Burgess 13/8

Morning Tea

Please stay for morning tea after each of the 8am and 10am services.



Mission of the Month

Rough Edges **Saint John's Darlinghurst**



Saint John's Anglican Church, Darlinghurst is in a strategic location to reach out with innovative ministries to the many homeless people of East Sydney. St John's Community Services offers positive, community experiences through a range of programs including **Rough Edges**.

Rough Edges is a drop-in centre running six nights a week providing meals and community to those experiencing homelessness. Since 2016, Rough Edges has been serving more than 13,000 meals each year. In 2021, it provided nearly 3,000 appointments with a social worker. The Centre also runs a range of other services ranging from new skills courses to legal aid to chaplaincy services. For further details, please refer to their website www.roughedges.org

There are a few ways you can donate to their current **Winter Appeal**.

- Donate funds directly at <https://sjcs-winter-appeal.raisely.com/>
- Transfer funds electronically to the Saint Alban's account – please ensure that you use the tag '[Rough Edges](#)'.
- Place your gift in the 'Beyond the Parish' side of your offertory envelope (please write 'Rough Edges' next to the stamped date) or in a plain envelope marked 'Rough Edges' and deposit in the offertory box as you arrive for a service at Saint Alban's.
- Drop off your monetary donation to the Church office on Tuesday or Thursday morning; deposit it in the Church office mailbox any time; or mail a cheque to PO Box 79 Epping 1710 – please make the cheque payable to the Saint Alban's account and attach a separate note that the funds are intended for Rough Edges.

English As A Second Language (ESL)

ESL or English conversation classes is a great ministry to new arrivals in Australia. Before Covid struck we had a wonderful programme running which sadly shut down during the subsequent lockdowns. However, we are thinking of restarting ESL as a way to reach out to the apartment dwellers and other in our neighbourhood.



If you would like to be part of a new team please contact Bp Ross.

Barbara Meintjes was our previous co-ordinator and she would be happy to answer any questions you might have about what is required for this wonderful ministry.

Zoom Prayer Meeting

We will be continuing the Parish Zoom Prayer meeting at 7.15am on Wednesday mornings.

If you would like to join us, use the Sunday morning Zoom Church link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516182389> Meeting ID: 825 1618 2389

VALE BISHOP ARTHUR MALCOLM

Bishop Arthur Malcolm was Australia's first Aboriginal Bishop and an outstanding leader and pastor in the Australian church. Bishop Arthur retired from his episcopal role in 2001 but has continued to inspire and encourage from his home in Yarrabah, North Queensland.

Bishop Malcolm was born at Yarrabah and began training as a Church Army Officer in Stockton (New South Wales) where he completed a Certificate course in Evangelism in 1959. During his time as a Captain in the Church Army he served at Lake Tyers (Victoria) and Brewarrina (New South Wales). People from Victoria and New South Wales express great affection for their beloved "Captain".

He returned to Yarrabah in 1974 as Chaplain and was ordained by the Bishop of North Queensland in 1978. As well as ministering to his people at Yarrabah he had responsibility for Anglican people at Palm Island. He was made a Canon of St James' Cathedral, Townsville in 1984 and consecrated Bishop with special responsibility to Aboriginal people in 1985.

During this time he developed an outstanding leadership amongst Aboriginal people and encouraged them in their education, community life and in the many struggles which Indigenous people in Australia encounter.

He has also been engaged in leadership and pastoral support in the non-Indigenous community and is well respected and admired for his sensitive and reconciling counsel.

Arthur Malcolm had great involvement in the ecumenical community and was foundation Chair of the Aboriginal and Islander Commission of the National Council of Churches in Australia. In 1992 he and Aboriginal members of the Anglican church of Australia met together and formed the body which became known as NATSIAC (National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council). Arthur Malcolm was elected as the first Chairperson.

Bishop Arthur Malcolm has made an extraordinary contribution to the Anglican Church of Australia. His committed leadership and his faithfulness to the Gospel of Christ, devotion to the wellbeing of all Aboriginal people in Australia and unstinting service to his church are gifts which we have treasured and which we honour. Along with his wife, Coleen, Bishop Arthur wrote the Reconciliation Prayer which appears in *A Prayer Book for Australia*, page 203.

(Reference: ABM Facebook July 29 2002)

Archbishop Kanishka Raffel has paid tribute to Australia's first Indigenous Bishop, Arthur Malcolm, who has passed away at the age of 87..... His influence and ministry led to the public apology from the Anglican Church to Aboriginal people in 1988. At St Andrew's Cathedral in Sydney, Australian Anglican Bishops led by the [then] Primate, Sir John Grindrod, delivered an apology to Bishop Malcolm. Archbishop Raffel called Bishop Malcolm's passing 'a great sadness' and recalled his pioneering ministry.

"His historic leadership of Indigenous Christians, pointing us all to an everlasting homeland, paved the way for generations to follow," the Archbishop said. "We express our condolences to his family and his people and thank God for his example of gracious, humble and faithful service. Home with the Lord."

The Archbishop also commended the prayer for reconciliation, written by Bishop Malcolm and his wife Colleen. (From <https://sydneyanglicans.net/news/australia-loses-indigenous-christian-pioneer/52492> 30 July 2022 Russell Powell)

Sunday School is on at 10am in The Loft

**The August - October Parish Magazine is now available
at the back of the church.**

MU Meeting This Tuesday 9 August *The venue has changed!*

We will be meeting at ARV due to parking not being available with a funeral being held in the church at 1.30pm.

Please meet Jane Bryant by the Chapel at 1.15pm. Jane's number is 0432258737 if there are problems locating her.

We will be meeting in LOBER HOUSE. Enter from County Drive and park under the chapel and catch the lift up.

The bible study will be on 1 Peter Chapter 3 Page 21 in your study books. Please bring your book with you. Enquiries Jan Boyley 0449274876

8am Congregation – Readers

We are looking for more readers for the 8am Service.

If you would like to join the roster for reading at 8am services please contact Bp Ross or Peggy Sanders (04123 481 854).



At the back of St Alban's
are enlarged service sheets and bulletins.
If you would like a copy, please ask the duty parishioners.

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Reflections
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Isaiah 1.1, 10-20;
Psalm 50.1-8, 23-24;
Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16;
Luke 12.32-40

St Luke writes that Jesus tells us to be alert. But alert for what? The answer is for the coming of the master. So we should not be wasting our time doing things that do not prepare for that arrival. We should be profligate in loving others as we love ourselves. That is what Jesus wants us to do.

- Jesus Christ, King of love, help me to prepare for your coming by loving others as you would want. May love of others become a central characteristic of my life.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of South-East Asia.



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WHAT'S ON...

Monday 8 August

Dominic, priest and friar

Office closed

Tuesday 9 August

Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers' Union

- 9.00am Staff meeting
10.00am Ladies Bible Study led by Jenny Nicholson via zoom (*link below*)
1.30pm Funeral for Ron Peel
1.30pm MU meeting at ARV
7.45pm Evening Bible Study with Bishop Ross.
Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84072186575>

Wednesday 10 August

Laurence, deacon and martyr at Rome

- 7.15am Prayer meeting via zoom (*link below*)

Thursday 11 August

Clare of Assisi; John Henry Newman, cardinal and theologian

- 9.30am Reading, Reflection and Prayers for Healing by Zoom (*link below*)
10.30am Eucharist with Prayers for Healing (Bp Ross Nicholson)

Friday 12 August

Oswald, king and martyr

The link for the above zoom meetings is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516182389>

Office arrangements

The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. You can still contact Denise on the office phone on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Bp Ross can be contacted on 0407916603.

Bulletin notices

Please send items to be considered
for next Sunday's bulletin by
WEDNESDAY at 2.30pm to the office.



Jam and Pickles ... these items have now moved!

and are now available to purchase from the main hall on Sundays or the church office (on Tuesday and Thursday mornings). The proceeds go to support Pastoral Care.

The jam and pickle makers thank parishioners for their generosity in supplying empty jars. However, at present we have a surfeit so would respectfully ask **no more jars please** for the time being unless you are returning a jar in which you purchased one of St Alban's jams or pickles.

Next Sunday Services
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

14 August 2022

8am Eucharist at St Alban's

Preacher Bishop Ross Nicholson

10am Eucharist at St Alban's *(also streamed)*

Preacher Bishop Ross Nicholson

6.00pm Taizé

The Reverend Paul Weaver

**Please consider paying your offertory
directly into the church account.**

The details are:-

St Alban's Account

BSB No: 032 081 A/c: 000024

Please indicate which service you attend. If you wish some of your giving to go to the Mission of the Month or any other specific cause, please indicate it on your direct transfer.

During the blessing of the gifts, we are including the offertory made to the Parish by direct transfer.

Parish Directory

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