

Epping Anglicans

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

Our Mission: Gather, Grow, Go

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(Moore College Sunday) - 2 August 2026

Sunday at St Alban's

(Liturgical Colour Green)

8.00am Eucharist

Reader: Brian Haywood / President: Rev'd Phil Lui / Preacher: Dr Ruth Shatford

@ 10.00am

Choral Eucharist - Also available by zoom *(details on page 4)*

Reader: Margaret Cummins / President: Rev'd Paul Weaver / Preacher: Dr Ruth Shatford

EPIC Indonesian Congregation (Old Sunday School Room)

Pastor Kian Holik

Chinese Congregation

The Reverend Simon Pei

Sunday School in The Loft (above the Main Hall)

Youth Bible Study

Combined Church Fellowship with morning tea in the main hall after services

Rector	The Rev'd Philip Lui 0413 396 435 phil@eppinganglicans.org.au
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Student Ministers and Children's Ministry Workers	Aimee and David Wong
Indonesian Congregation (EPIC) Pastor	Kian Holik - kian@eppinganglicans.org.au
Chinese Congregation Pastor	Simon Pei - simon@eppinganglicans.org.au
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What's coming up at St Alban's...

Wednesday 5 August

10am Everyday English Classes

12noon-2pm Chinese Alpha Course

Thursday 6 August

9.30am Reading, Reflection and Prayers for Healing by Zoom (*link on back page*)

10.30am Eucharist with Prayers for Healing - all welcome.

12.00pm **RLT Women's Discussion Group** will be held at Christine Murray's home. New members are very welcome. Enquiries to Christine on 0418 241 372.

Friday 7 August

7.30pm to 9pm - **Mandarin Bible Study** led by Simon Pei held in the Seminar Room. All welcome.

Tuesday 11 August

1.30pm MU meeting in the Seminar Room. Join in for a Bible study. All are welcome to attend. Enquiries: Jan Boyley 0449 274 876

Next Sunday 9 August

11th Sunday after Pentecost. Preachers: Phil Lui and David Wong.

Sunday 30 August

Newcomers Lunch from 12noon. Please RSVP to Phil on 0413 396 435 if you would like to attend.

TODAY is Moore College Sunday:

we join churches across Sydney in praying for the students, graduates, staff and faculty, and for the College's mission of preparing men and women for gospel ministry. For a prayer for the College see page 4 of the August Newsletter.

In our parish we pray for our Student Ministers: Doris, Gloria, Aimee and David - pray for them in their studies and in their ministry among us.

Well done!

Last Sunday's piano and clarinet concert was a very enjoyable afternoon. Thank you to Paul Weaver on piano and Emily Horspool on clarinet. \$1365 was raised to support the work of Rough Edges.

The Parish Magazine

The new edition of the magazine is available today. Please collect your copy from the duty parishioners in the church porch.

The **August Newsletter** is also available.

Change to our Service Sheets

from today you will receive the Service Sheet and a separate sheet with the Collects, Readings and the Hymns. Feel free to take the Readings sheet home, if you leave the Service Sheet in the porch on your way out it will be used again next week.

Breakfast and Morning Tea:

After our 8am and 10am services we have combined Church Fellowship over refreshments - if you would like to contribute there is a collection box on the serving counter.

Memorial Garden

The Memorial Garden at St Alban's was established in 1981 as a sacred place of remembrance for members of our Parish community whose ashes have been scattered there. It continues to hold deep significance for many in our community.

Following a wider Diocesan review of graveyards, columbaria and memorial gardens, we have been advised that no further interment of ashes is to take place in the garden. This review is intended to ensure that all such places comply with current state government legislation, including the registration of historic and existing sites.

The Rector and Wardens are very mindful of the pastoral sensitivities surrounding this change, particularly for families who have loved ones remembered in the garden. We recognise that there are a small number of people in the Parish who are surviving spouses of those whose ashes have been interred there. The Diocese has granted discretion for a limited number of further interments in the case of surviving spouses and in exceptional circumstances. Those surviving spouses have been contacted individually to explain the change and the discretion that has been approved.

The garden will continue to be honoured and cared for as a memorial garden, and the register of those interred there will continue to be maintained.

If you have any concerns or questions about this decision, please speak with the Rector or one of the Wardens.

For Your Prayers

Church: Barker College; Anglican Youth Works; West Epping Uniting Church; Epping Baptist Church. CBM - Mission of the Month.

For Your Prayers for the Month are included in the Monthly Newsletter. Please refer to these to include in your prayers.

In addition - please continue to pray for the sick, and those in hospital or in care, and others in need in our parish - pray that they will know God's grace and comfort. Give thanks for medical staff and all carers.

Pray for each of our congregations that they may flourish, and enable us to reach out to our communities to share our faith and the message of the love of God.

Pray for our children and our schools, may they be places of safety, learning and encouragement for all.

Prayer for the Week: Heavenly Father, thank you for the supreme value of your Kingdom, which is like a hidden treasure and a pearl of great price. Help us to trust you with a whole heart, free from doubt, so we do not miss your work in our lives. Amen.

Anniversary of Death: Monica Irving 2/8; Hamish and Kenneth Alexander 2/8; Sheila Hale 2/8; Neville Jansz 5/8; Nell Fairbairn 8/8; Ellen Johnson 8/8; Selwyn Gilling 8/8



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

Help wanted needed!!!

If you can help with any of the following positions, please speak with The Rector.

AV - Zoom operators are needed. This can be just once a month. Training included.

Morning tea volunteers - after 8am and 10am Sunday services.

Giving in offertories and donations to June 2026

Offertories and donations totalled \$111,896 against a budget of \$96,180, placing us \$15,716 ahead. This is also \$23,252 (26%) higher than at the same time last year.

These figures do not include giving from the Indonesian and Chinese congregations, as their offerings support their own ministry resources.

It is encouraging that this improvement has continued, which gives us confidence to explore increasing staff days to support the growth God has graciously given our church, and to address other areas of need in the Parish. The Wardens are thankful for this positive result in giving and continue to be greatly encouraged by it. We continue to pray that this momentum will continue, helping us remain faithful in the Parish's mission through the rest of 2026 and into 2027. The Wardens

Mission of the Month - CBM Australia

CBM Australia is part of an international Christian development organisation devoted to improving the lives of people with disabilities in the poorest places on earth. **Poverty and disability go hand in hand** creating a cycle of inequality, isolation and exclusion that leads to the most **extreme forms of poverty**. Throughout its 118-year history and over 48 years in Australia, CBM (formerly Christian Blind Mission) has developed proven community-based programs that help millions of people benefit from real, lasting change.

Please refer to the display on the narthex board, the August newsletter, or visit website www.cbm.org.au for further information.

There are a few ways for you to financially support CBM in their global ministry during these times of crisis. Either use the 'Beyond the Parish' side of your weekly offertory (please write 'CBM' next to the stamped date) or use a plain envelope marked 'CBM'. Alternatively, transfer funds electronically to the St Alban's account - please use tag 'CBM', or donate funds directly at <https://my.cbm.org.au/donate>

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.

Offerings for EPIC Indonesian congregation, please specify EPIC in the reference.

Offerings for the Chinese congregation, please specify 'Chinese' in the reference.

If you wish give to the Mission of the Month or any other specific cause (eg Assistant Minister/Student Minister Fund), please indicate it on your direct transfer.

During the blessing of the gifts of the people, we are including the offertory made to the Parish by direct transfer; handed in to the office, and the offertory made using the EFTPOS Terminal at the back of the church.

Zoom details for Services available by Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516182389?pwd=VGpWNXRMcFpYXVWeVB3N0pzQnpzUT09>

Passcode 389867 if required. Dialling in: 8015 6011. Meeting ID: 825 1618 2389 followed by # (and another # - there isn't a participants number). **Please keep your computer or phone on "mute" during the service.** To mute/unmute your phone, press *6. Please stay on line for a time of fellowship.
