

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.

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
12 October 2025

Sunday Services

8.00am Eucharist

Reader: Ron Arnold

Preacher: *The Reverend Phil Lui*

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Also available by zoom (*details on back page*)

Reader: Christine Murray

Preacher: *The Reverend Phil Lui*

10.00am Sunday School in The Loft
(above the main hall)

Rector

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Parish Administrator

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Caretaker

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Morning tea:

Please stay for morning tea in the Main Hall after each of the 8am and 10am Services. Everyone is very welcome. You may meet someone new!



What's coming up at St Alban's...

Tuesday 14 October

Mothers Union meeting in the Seminar room at 1.30pm. Glenda McSorley the Sydney Diocesan President will lead Bible Study 4. Please read beforehand and bring your book. Don't forget the grocery collection!

Thursday 16 October

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

10.30am Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

7.15pm Evening Bible Study Group lead by Doris Awad at North Epping. Enquiries to Ted on 0431 663 853.

Men's BBQ at 6.30pm in The Old Sunday School Room (behind the Parish Office). BYO meat for the barby, drinks, some salad or sides, to share. Enjoy getting together with other men in the parish.

Saturday 18 October - change of date

Garden Maintenance from 9.30am to 12noon. Extra hands, of all ages, are always helpful. Enquiries: Gill McLennan 0411 957 270. *This is one week earlier due to the Brunch.*

Thursday 23 October

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

10.30am Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

7.15pm Evening Bible Study Group lead by Doris Awad at North Epping. Enquiries to Ted on 0431 663 853.

Saturday 25 October

Brunch hosted by the Mothers Union. 10am in St Alban's main hall. Jennifer Farrer (St Alban's choir member) will give a talk on herbs from the Bible. This is a FREE event. Everyone is welcome. For catering please add your name to the list on the noticeboard

Sunday 26 October

Newcomers Lunch from 12noon at the Rectory.

Please RSVP to Phil on 0413 396 435 if you would like to attend.

Thursday 30 October

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

10.30am Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

7.15pm Evening Bible Study Group lead by Doris Awad at North Epping. Enquiries to Ted on 0431 663 853.

Thankfulness

Thank God for our AV volunteers for Judith and Aaron, who run the desk weekly and for Ross Beattie for helping last week.

Thanks be to God for Margaret Pearson, for her help running our Zoom Prayers for Healing Service last Thursday and for her loving work in Pastoral Care.

Synod Summary:

A copy of the Summary of the Sydney Synod, September 2025 is on the noticeboard. If you would like a copy please send an email to office@eppinganglicans.org.au and a copy will be emailed.

Church:

Macquarie Park, The Bridge Church; Soul Revival Church, Kirrawee
LifeWay Lutheran Church
Banksia Women and Rough Edges - Mission of the Month

For the Parish:

Pray for the process of seeking a part-time Assistant Minister and for additional Student Ministers to assist our Rector in growing and ministering to our Parish community.
Pray for those preparing for the HSC examinations which will take place between Thursday 16 October and Friday 7 November.
Pray for peace in Palestine and Israel: pray that the current efforts will be more than a pause in violence but will lead to a just, lasting and sustainable peace. Pray for those who have been suffering that the humanitarian aid will quickly flow to those most in need. Pray too that all wars and conflicts will end with a just peace for all.

For the Week:

O Lord, as we call upon you to receive our prayers, grant that we may both perceive and know what things we ought to do, and by your Holy Spirit grant us your grace and power faithfully to fulfil them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary of Death:

Norma Sawyer 7/10; Norman Woolven 7/10; Gordon Smith 8/10;
Evelyn King-Mason 9/10; John Sherlock 10/10; Bernice Peverell 10/10;
Norman Hayes 10/10; Grace March 10/10; Shirley Osborne 10/10;
Allan Nyholm 11/10; Elaine Rawling 11/10

Mission of the Month: *Banksia Women and Rough Edges* - Saint John's Darlinghurst

St John's Anglican Church, Darlinghurst is in a strategic location to reach out with innovative ministries to the people of East Sydney. **St John's Community Services** (SJCS) offers assistance to those suffering from the trauma of homelessness, domestic violence and exclusion.

SJCS operates Banksia Women, among other programs, and the drop-in centre Rough Edges which St Alban's has supported for many years. Refer to the narthex display, our monthly newsletter, and <https://www.sjcs.org.au/>

Banksia Women is a not-for-profit organisation established in 2019 by SJCS. It supports women, who have experienced domestic and family violence or abuse, in their recovery by providing community, connection and long term support. Further details at www.banksiawomen.org.au Donate at <https://www.banksiawomen.org.au/donate>

Rough Edges has been a community hub and drop-in centre since 1996. It offers a friendly welcome, a hearty meal and a safe place to those experiencing homelessness. Further details at <https://www.roughedges.org.au/> Donate at <https://www.roughedges.org.au/donations>

Roughtober 2025 is a fundraising event, this year on Friday 24 October, where every dollar raised goes to supporting Rough Edges. People swap comfort for compassion and experience a small taste of what it's like to be homeless by choosing something to give up. For further details, and to register, go to <https://www.roughtober.org/>

There are a number of ways you can make a **general donation** to Saint John's Community Services. Either use the 'Beyond the Parish' side of your weekly offertory (please write 'SJCS' next to the stamped date) or use a plain envelope marked 'SJCS'. Alternatively, transfer funds electronically to the St Alban's account - please use tag 'SJCS', or donate funds directly at <https://www.sjcs.org.au/donate>

Congratulations to our organ scholars who both received 2nd place in the Sydney Organ Competition: Enoch Pan (Intermediate) and Isabel Li (Junior).

Mending Our House, Strengthening Our Community!

This week Stephen Ford helped out by blowing the leaves and twigs, while Kari is away, ready for the wedding on Saturday. Thanks Stephen

Total Givings for 2025 as of July

Giving and donations	\$104,603
Budget	\$120,610
We are currently behind by	\$16,007
Require \$5.5k uplift in givings per month to make up the full year budget	

Mission of the Month donations received in September and October

\$300.00 = Act for Peace (September)

\$300.00 = Banksia Women and Rough Edges (October)

This amount has been donated through the Parish accounts and do not include donations made by parishioners directly.



EFTPOS Terminal

St Alban's has now made it even easier to make a donation by installing a 'Tap and Go' machine which is placed at the back of the church. Simply select an amount for your once-off donation and tap your debit or credit card. There are four set amounts - \$10, \$20, \$30, \$50 or a custom amount where you can choose your own number (up to \$99). If you would like to donate more than \$99, please tap twice.

Pick which amount you would prefer then tap your card.

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 give to the Mission of the Month or any other specific cause, 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 10am Service and 9.30am Thursday Service:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516182389?pwd=VGpWNXRMcFpYXVWVB3N0pzQnpsUT09>

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.



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