

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
11 May 2025

Sunday Services

8.00am Eucharist

Preacher: The Rector

10.00am Sung Eucharist

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

Preacher: The Rector

10.0am Sunday School in The Loft
(above the main hall)

Rector

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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!



St Alban's is open during the week
for prayer and reflection, when the office is open.



Hope25 seeks to empower Australian Anglican parishes and communities in an intentional season of sharing hope in Jesus from Easter to Pentecost in 2025.

Hope25 - Hope in an Uncertain World is an opportunity for us to share the hope that we have in Jesus. Hope25 is an initiative of the Anglican Church Australia. <https://www.hope25.com.au/>

In our parish the Rector will be running a course explaining Christianity over a series of weeks commencing soon. Please speak with him if you would like to know more.

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

Thursday Evening Bible Study Group

A Bible Study lead by Doris Awad, will be taking place on Thursday evenings in North Epping. If you would like to join in this group, please contact Doris at doris@eppinganglicans.org.au for more information.

Mothers Union

The meeting starts at 1.30pm **THIS Tuesday 13 May** in the Seminar Room, with a short service and notices followed by afternoon tea. This meeting will be a social afternoon with Devonshire afternoon tea, We welcome any women who would like to join in. Enquiries: Jan Boyley 0449 274 876

Everyday English Morning Tea invitation

Members of the parish are invited to a morning tea to celebrate Mothers' Day with our students **THIS Wednesday 14 May** from 11am to 12noon. We see this as a great opportunity for people who worship at St Alban's to meet and speak to our students who come from various countries and who never really get a chance to have an English conversation with someone outside of their communities.

Men's BBQ

Will be held **THIS Thursday 15 May** (the 3rd Thursday of the month) at 6.30pm in The Seminar 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.

Garden Maintenance

Saturday 24 May 2025 from 9.30am to 12noon. Extra hands, of all ages, are always helpful. Enquiries: Gill McLennan 0411 957 270.

Newcomers' Lunch

For those who are new to church, if you are interested in finding out more about a newcomers' lunch, or about the church or Christianity, a lunch will be held after the 10am service on **Sunday 25 May**. If you would like to attend, please speak with Phil or Doris.

Weekly @ St Alban's on Thursdays

9.30am Reading, Reflection and Prayers for Healing by Zoom (*link on back page*)
10.30am Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

Mothers' Day - Today we are celebrating mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, aunts and carers. They are such special people in our lives and we want to honour them and all that they do and have done for us.

Church:

Hunters Hill Parish; North Epping - All Saints; North Ryde - St John;
Robert Menzies College & Trinity Chapel, Macquarie
Fr Paul and the people of the Parish of St George's Paddington
The Epping Blue Church (Korean congregation who meet at St Aidan's)
Christian Community Aid (Mission of the Month)

In our World and Community:

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God of Hope you call on us to be your witnesses in this uncertain world; by your Spirit awaken in us a true vision of your kingdom, a greater certainty of our salvation, and a deeper dedication to your service; that through our words and actions the same Spirit may bring many who are lost to be found, and for them to celebrate the hope that we can only have in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Anniversary of Death:

Mary Arnold 9/5; Grath Ewart 11/5; Barry Jenkins 11/5; Rita Keough 11/5;
Roy Ranyard 12/5; John Burke 12/5; Dorothy Horsley 12/5; David Quinlan 13/5;
Fred Mussett 14/5; Maurice Simmons 14/5; Maurice Simmons 14/5; Ken Armitage
14/5; Julia Ann Hardman 14/5; Mary Cadman 14/5; Christina Telfer 15/5; Philip Hill
15/5; Bill Fatcher 16/5; John Warton 17/5; Alma Adams 17/5

Pentecost at Saint Alban's – many languages

The Day of Pentecost is 8 June, and the Season of Pentecost of twenty three Sundays begins. At the 8am and 10am Services on 8 June we plan to continue our tradition of hearing part of the reading from the Acts of the Apostles in many languages. If you can contribute to this – please add your name, language, service you attend and email address to the list on the noticeboard in the Church porch. You will be sent the reading and a link to translations. If you would like more information please contact Peggy Sanders 0413 481 854 pmasanders@gmail.com

Throughout Pentecost we are planning on having The Lord's Prayer read in a language other than English in our Services. Hopefully those who offer to read will also be happy to do this, or if you would like to read The Lord's Prayer, please add your name to the list.

Lighting a candle at St Alban's

The Pastoral Care Committee have organised cards (next to the votive candles) to send to loved ones in need.

Lighting a candle is a prayer -

when you have gone it stays alight as a symbol of love and hope, of light and warmth, uniting your prayers with the prayers of the whole Church of God.

The memorial flowers today are in loving memory of
Mary Rose Arnold
from the Arnold Family



Ecumenical Service

Wednesday 4 June at 11am - Our Lady Help of Christians Church
See noticeboard for more information.



Harvest Festival

in support of Christian Community Aid (Mission of the Month)

Please support the work of Christian Community Aid as our Mission of the Month, culminating in Harvest Festival to be held at Saint Alban's on **Sunday 25 May**.



CCA is a non-denominational not-for-profit community service organisation that has been delivering services in the Epping and Eastwood area for 60 years. Its focus is to be “problem solvers and game changers combating against poverty, violence, discrimination, and inequality. United we work for the health, wellbeing, education, safety, and financial stability of every person in our community.”

For more information about CCA, please refer to the display on the Narthex board, or visit website www.ccas.org.au

There remains high demand on the **CCA food pantry** by families in need. Donations of **non-perishable food** are welcome for the Parish's celebration of Harvest Festival on Sunday 25 May. Tinned and packaged food (no glass bottles or jars please) may be left at the office or in the church narthex **until Thursday 22 May**. Following the Festival all the donated food will be transported from the church display to Christian Community Aid.

So that CCA can make bulk purchases and buy perishable food as required, **cash donations** are also welcome. Use the 'Beyond the Parish' side of your weekly offertory (please write 'CCA' next to the stamped date) or a plain envelope marked 'CCA'. Alternatively transfer funds electronically to the St Alban's account (please use tag 'CCA'), or donate funds directly at <https://ccas.org.au/make-a-donation/>

How can you help?

- Last day to bring in your CCA food donations is this Thursday (22 May).
- If you have any spare rectangular pavers, Phil would love to hear from you.

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:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516182389?pwd=VGpWNXRMcFpLYXVWV3N0pzQnpsUT09>

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.