

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.

TRANSFIGURATION

15 February 2026

Sunday Services

8.00am Eucharist

Reader: Ron Arnold

Preacher: *The Reverend Phil Lui*

10.00am Choral Eucharist

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

Reader: Rema Gnanadickam

Motet: Panis angelicus (Bread of the angels). *See back page for details.*

Preacher: *The Reverend Phil Lui*

10.00am Sunday School in The Loft

(above the Main Hall)

Rector	The Rev'd Philip Lui 0413 396 435 phil@eppinganglicans.org.au
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Morning tea - Please stay for morning tea in the Main Hall after the 8am and 10am services. Everyone is very welcome.

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

Wednesday 18 February

10am Everyday English Classes

Ash Wednesday Services

12noon Eucharist and Ashing and 7.45pm Choral Eucharist and Ashing

Preacher: Assistant Minister Bill Walton

Please see the February Newsletter for more detail.

Thursday 19 February

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

10.30am Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

6.30pm **Men's BBQ Group** will be held in The Old Sunday School Room (behind the Parish Office).

Sunday 22 February

First Sunday in Lent. Preacher: The Rector

Newcomers Lunch from 12noon.

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

Lenten Ecumenical Service

Thursday 19 February 11am at West Epping Uniting Cnr Carlingford Road and Orchard Street followed by light refreshments.

Please write your name on the sign up sheet in the church porch if you would like to attend.

Lent - In this season of Lent, we are hoping to spend dedicated time together reflecting on the magnitude of Jesus's death. We'll spend six weeks, on the Sunday afternoons of Lent, looking at the final four chapters of John's gospel, where we orientate ourselves to see Jesus achieve his victory over death by being the suffering servant, who is lifted up on the cross and draws all people to himself.

If you are interested, please talk with Bill on Sunday after the services or contact him on 0494 622 899 to let him know your interest. The exact timing will be worked out based on people's Sunday availability.

Lenten Study

If you are interested in participating in the Lenten Study to be held after the Healing Service from **11.45 to 1pm on Thursdays 5, 12, 19, 26 March and 3 April**, please join Barbara Howard for morning tea on **Sunday 22 February in the hall between the two services**. Barbara will introduce the study book *Word in the Wilderness: A Poem a day for Lent and Easter*.

Please come on February 22 to find out more.

The evening **Tuesday Bible Study** will resume on 3 March.

This group is lead by Doris Awad at North Epping. Enquiries to Ted on 0431 663 853.

The **Annual General Meeting** of the Parish will be held on Sunday 22 March 2026. Please find the relevant information on the church porch noticeboard.

The February Newsletter covering the whole month, with more details, is available in the church porch. Please ask the duty parishioner for a copy.

F o r Y o u r P r a y e r s

Church: Chaplains at Macquarie Hospital, North Ryde; Anglican Retirement Villages; LifeWay Lutheran Church Epping. Anglicare Chaplaincy - Mission of the Month

For Your Prayers for the Month are included in the February Monthly Newsletter (page 5). Please refer to these to include in your prayers.

In addition: Please pray for The Reverend Brett Hall as he prepares for his collation as an Archdeacon on February 21.

Pray for Pastor Kian and Assistant Minister Bill as they prepare to travel to Makassar, South Sulawesi, Indonesia, from 1 - 6 March 2026. Pastor Kian will teach at Jaffray Bible School and Bill will travel with him to learn about and observe teaching in that context of SE Asia.

Prayer for Lent: Lord God, throughout this season of Lent, I ask for your guidance to walk this path of spiritual discipline. Grant me the strength to commit to daily prayer and reflection, to read and meditate on your word, to commit to almsgiving, and increasing acts of kindness and service. Open my heart to the quiet whispers of your voice. During these 40 days, let me reflect on the life and sacrifices of your Son, Jesus Christ, and emerge from it renewed in spirit and commitment to your calling. Amen.

Anniversary of Death: Ruth Rixon 14/2; Gregory Taylor 15/2; Ron Sim 15/2; Alison Daniels 16/2; Norah Dickinson 20/2; Raymond Newland 21/2; Millicent Hauff 21/2; John Skeoh 21/2



The memorial flowers today
are in loving memory of Ruth Rixon
from her family

Mission of the Month **Anglicare Chaplaincy**

Alongside its wide-ranging work with people in need, Anglicare provides chaplains and chaplaincy services throughout Sydney and the Illawarra - in hospitals, prisons, mental health centres, aged care services, and in the community, ministering to people in need of personal and spiritual support. Some of us have benefited from the ministry of Chaplains at Anglicare Retirement Villages, as well as at hospitals. For further information about Anglicare Chaplaincy, please refer to the February newsletter, the display on the narthex board or visit website <https://www.anglicare.org.au/community/chaplaincy/>

There are a few ways you can financially support the Anglicare Chaplaincy ministry. Either use the 'Beyond the Parish' side of your weekly offertory (please write 'Anglicare Chaplaincy' next to the stamped date) or use a plain envelope marked 'Anglicare Chaplaincy.' Alternatively, transfer funds electronically to the St Alban's account - please use the tag 'Anglicare Chaplaincy', or donate funds directly at <https://www.anglicare.org.au/donate> - use the pull-down menu under *Area of Support* and click on either *Chaplaincy – Hospital and Emergency* or *Chaplaincy – Prison and Community*.

Today's Choir Motet at 10am

Panis angelicus (Bread of the angels)

Music: Claudio Casiolini (1697 – 1760)

Words: St Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 74), English text: John Rutter

Panis angelicus fit panis hominum,

Dat panis caelicus figuris terminum:

O res mirabilis! manducat Dominum,

Pauper servus, et humilis.

Bread of the angel host set down from God above,

Body of Christ our Lord in token of his love:

O gift most wonderful! Christ as our sacrament,

Humble, lowly, all share his sacred feast.

St Alban's is open during the week

for prayer and reflection, when the office is open.

Total Givings for 2025 as at December

Giving and donations: \$189,849 / Budget: \$206,760 / We are behind by: \$16,911

However giving and donations were up 1% on the last year which is a very promising trend which we would like to see continue into 2026.

As at the end of December 2025 we have experienced a continued increase in giving, which we are immensely thankful for.

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.



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.

Zoom details for Services available by Zoom:

<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.
