

Epping Anglicans

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

Our Mission: Gather, Grow, Go

TRINITY SUNDAY (First Sunday after Pentecost),
HARVEST FESTIVAL / Week of Prayer for Reconciliation
31 May 2026

Sunday at St Alban's (*Liturgical Colour White*)

8.00am Eucharist

Reader: Giles Rowling / Preacher: *Bill Walton, Assistant Minister*

@ 10.00am

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

Reader: Meredith Lawn / Preacher: *Bill Walton, Assistant Minister*

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

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More information about Services and Events and other information about the Parish is in the Monthly Newsletter, which is available in the Porch, and on the website

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

Sunday 31 May - TODAY

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

Wednesday 3 June

10am Everyday English Classes

Thursday 4 June

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 Deirdre Haywood's home. New members are very welcome. Enquiries to Christine Murray on 0418 241 372

Friday 5 June

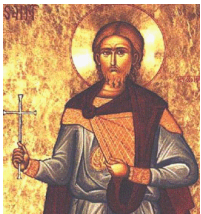
7.30pm to 9pm - **Mandarin Bible Study** led by Simon Pei held in the Seminar Room. All welcome.

Next Sunday 7 June

2nd Sunday after Pentecost (liturgical colour is green). Preacher: The Rector

Members of St Alban's and EPIC are warmly invited to join in a **Service of Prayer and Commissioning** as Julie returns to South East Asia for her second term.

A CMS (short) commissioning service will be followed by a time to mingle and eat together. Saturday 6 June, 2-4pm, St Alban's church and hall. Contributions to the afternoon tea are welcome.



St Alban's Patronal Festival

Sunday 21 June 2026 at 9.30am (*one service only*).

Preacher: Bishop Chris Edwards

A celebratory luncheon will be held in the Parish Hall afterwards. All three congregations will be joining (English, EPIC and Chinese).

A plate to share (cultural dish), or a cake or slice for dessert would be much appreciated.

Please be mindful of reheating and cleaning restraints.

Please leave your name and dish you will bring on the list on the church porch noticeboard.

Thoughts and Prayers for Reflection: The June 2026 *Thoughts and Prayers for Reflection* is available in the porch and on the website.

Helpers needed for morning tea

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Sunday morning tea fellowship after the 8am and 10am services. Tasks include setting up, serving tea and coffee, and helping with clean-up afterwards. Morning tea is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and welcoming new faces into our church community. Even helping once a month would make a big difference.

If you are able to assist, please add your name to the roster or speak with Gloria Walton. Thank you for supporting this important ministry.

Readers on the Day of Pentecost - thank you to those who participated in reading in language during our services on The Day of Pentecost, it is much appreciated.

Recital Performance next SUNDAY (7 June)

“Marimba around the world” solo recital performed by Isabel Li (our multi talented organ scholar) will be on Sunday 7 June at 12:30pm to 1:30pm at St Alban’s church hall.

This is a free event. You can click on this link for free tickets or turn up at the door:
<https://events.humanitix.com/marimba-around-the-world>

National Reconciliation Week 2026, 27 May - 3 June

Each year from 27 May to 3 June, National Reconciliation Week invites us to honour, listen deeply, and learn from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. It is a time to reflect on our shared history, to tell the truth about the past, and to recommit ourselves to justice and right relationship.

This year’s theme is ‘All In: Reciprocity as Reconciliation’ - an invitation to step off the sidelines and commit wholeheartedly to the shared work of reconciliation. It reminds us that reconciliation is not the responsibility of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples alone - it belongs to all of us. Rooted in the spirit of reciprocity - giving and receiving, listening and learning - to recognise that reconciliation is not a one-way act of charity, but a shared journey of walking together toward healing and flourishing for all. (<https://www.commongrace.org.au/>)

Equip Women

Saturday 20 June 9.30am to 3pm at Epping Presbyterian Church

This is an annual conference run by women for women in fellowship with all denominations as we learn from God’s word. This year’s topic is “Undeserving: the mystery of mercy,” focusing on the book of Jonah. Epping Presbyterian Church is kindly hosting St Alban’s and others from our area again to watch the livestreamed talks and sessions together. Cost \$30 including morning tea, lunch and conference booklet.

Please register at: <https://epc.churchsuite.com/events/omsl7794>. Contact Gloria gloria.walton@student.moore.edu.au or Becky with any questions, or if you’d like to join us at 9am at St Alban’s to walk over (5min).

Harvest Festival TODAY 31 May in support of Christian Community Aid

Thank you for all your donations of food for the display in the church today as part of our celebration of Harvest Festival, and for the cash donations. All the food donations will be taken to Christian Community Aid at Eastwood following the services today.

You are reminded that all non-perishable food placed in the hessian bag in the narthex, or left at the church office, is being given to the CCA Community Hub **throughout the year**. Please continue to assist those people living in our local community who are in need.

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

For Your Prayers

Church: Beecroft - St John the Evangelist; Macquarie - St George and St Dunstan; LifeWay Lutheran Church Epping. CCA- Mission of the Month.

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

In addition - continue to pray for those in the parish who are unwell, those facing surgery, those in rehabilitation, and those recently bereaved. Pray for those who grieve that they may be comforted. Pray for all who care for the sick, the anxious and the dying. Pray for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander brothers and sisters - for healing, justice, and true reconciliation. Pray for the work of CCA as they care for the needy in our community.

Prayer for the Week: Father the Creator, we pray for peace that brings healing, fullness, and wholeness. Let Your peace rest upon us, Your Church. Shape us into peacemakers, followers of your way. You have shown us not only how to pray for peace, but how to make it, reaching across suffering and brokenness with an extended arm to others, hoping for a connection to reconcile our shared history. Grant us strength to speak truth where it can be heard, and courage to stand for justice wherever it is needed. We receive the peace Christ offers, a peace that welcomes the stranger, cares for Country, and releases forgiveness. Amen

Extract from prayer written by Joshua Lane 2026 - Kanolu and Lardil man and Chaplain at Cowboys House and the Cleveland Education and Training Centre, QLD. .

Those recently deceased: Peter Consandine - Jennifer Farrer's husband.

Anniversary of Death: Miriam McWhite 31/5; Benjamin Taylor; George Daniels; Merle Lawlor 1/6; Kathleen Preston 1/6; Percy Evans 1/6; Jameson Read 1/6; Buller Lambert 3/6; Olive Lambert 3/6; Christopher Christie-David 5/6; Bill Peverell 5/6; Robin Allman 5/6

Total Givings for 2026 up to February

Giving and donations: \$29,380 / Budget: \$35,720 / We are behind by: \$6,340

However giving and donations were up \$1,211 (4%) on the last year which is a very promising start to the year.

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=VGpWNXRMcFilyXVWeVB3N0pzQnpsUT09>

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.
