

Anglican Parish of Grovely

THE COMMUNITY OF ST MATTHEW'S & ALL SAINTS'



Turrbal and Jagera Country

Parish Vision: *To personally and corporately know God in our lives more deeply and to live truthfully, creatively, honestly and lovingly.*

If you are visiting today, please make yourself known to the Priest and Welcomers; they will be able to help you with information about the parish.

- ♦ **Holy Communion** is available for all those whose practice it is to receive the sacrament, whatever denomination.

From Fr Stephen

The constant message of the media today is that life does indeed consist of abundances of possessions. We are encouraged to spend more, have more and use more. The Gospel reading of the 'Rich Fool' who plunges into idolatry should shock us out of that way of thinking and being, making us discern and live in a way which is mindful of God's blessings and the true purpose of our lives. Will we measure our lives by the standard imposed by a society seducing us to want more and more, or by the call of the Gospel to be rich towards God and each other? Choose wisely without distractions for the things of this earth do not compare with the things that are above. **Amen.**

Blessings Fr Stephen





News & Notices

Please take your Pew Sheet with you after the service



A GENTLE REMINDER WORSHIP AT 9 AM SERVICE

At around 3 minutes before 9 am, a bell will be rung and we ask for silence in the church after the bell, as we intentionally prepare to be present to our Lord.



AUGUST

- 6 Healing Service at St Matthews
- 7 Service at Bellevue Aged Care
- 9 Quiet Morning at All Saints
- 13 Parish Council Meeting
- 16 Working Bee at All Saints
- 18—21 Clergy Conference
- 20 MU Meeting
- 26 Service at Regis Aged Care



Cake Stall: Today
after the 9 am service.

Quiet Morning at All Saints
Saturday 9 August
7:45 am for 8 am start.
Finish at 9 am.

Wonder where you can help?

It is time to do the next round of rosters. We are always looking for more people to help on roster, please consider how you can be involved and share the load in the ministries of Grovely Parish life.

We need people to help with: Welcomers, Readers, Sides person, Sacristan, Altar linen, Morning Tea and ground maintenance.

If you feel called to get involved in any of these, please speak to Fr Stephen or get in touch with the office to put your name on the roster.

The flowers today in both churches are in loving memory of Mum, MIL and Grandma— Wendy Thorpe (2 August). Mother of Barbara Briggs.



MU NOTICES

Retiring Collection

MU is conducting a Retiring Collection on Saturday & Sunday 9 & 10 August to raise funds for Anglicare Southern QLD Youth Homelessness Project. It will be a housing facility and MU will be helping to furnish some of the rooms the Young people will be living in. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Funds can be deposited to BSB 704901 Account No. 00014731 Ref: Retiring Collection.

The **next MU meeting** will be on Wednesday 20 August, commencing with the 10.00 am church service followed by morning tea. We will endeavour to get some Joy Bags made at this meeting.

Around the Parish



| ALL SAINTS ROSTER | 3 August | 10 August | 17 August |
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| LAs | Danny A | Norm H | Kathy F |
| Welcomers | Margaret B & Kathryn | Ann E | Melissa B |
| 1st Reader | Peter H | Kathryn L | Lynn R |
| 2nd Reader | Pam M | Zoltan E | John D |
| Sidesperson/s | Peter M & Helper | Les M & Helper | Kathleen C & Helper |
| Intercessions | Deborah H | Julie B | Stuart M |
| Sacristan | Jan D | John D | Peter M |
| Counters | Gordon D & Kathy F | Narelle B & Les M | Danny A & Clay B |
| Morning Tea | Trish S & Helper | Wendy M & Helper | Narelle B & Helper |
| Friday Helper | Dawn S (8/8) | Bev R (15/8) | Frances F (22/8) |

| ST MATTHEWS ROSTER | 3 August | 10 August | 17 August |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| LA | Danny A | Melanie D | Glen G |
| Welcomers | Melani e D | Stuart M | Harold G |
| 1st Reader | Cheryl P | Melanie D | Glen G |
| 2nd Reader | Maeve M | Stuart M | Melanie D |
| Intercessions | Danny A | Melanie D | Glen G |
| Cleaning | Barbara & Cath (9/8) | Bonnie (16/8) | Nina (23/8) |

Account details for Grovely Parish

Electronic transfers:

BSB: 704-901 **Account:** 00000910

Parish Projects

Electronic transfers:

BSB: 704-901 **Account:** 00015552

ST MATTHEW'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

Available for the interment of ashes of loved ones. Enquires to the Priest.

ST MATTHEW'S GRAVEYARD

Grave plots for burials and interments of ashes are available. Enquires to the Priest.

PARISH FOOD BANK

If you are aware of someone in need of a meal please contact the Parish Office.

STAMPS FOR ABM

ABM sells used stamps to assist community projects in Australia and overseas. Boxes at All Saints and St Matthews are provided to collect them.

RECYCLING

Spent batteries, CFL's, blister packs and ink cartridges, pens, including casings, texters and pencils can be left at both churches for recycling.

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

We collect containers with the 10c recycle sign. Remove lids and leave these in bags in the containers at both churches.



Bring Us to Our Senses

*Loving God,
Because we carry burdens on our own shoulders
that we could have shared with you,
Lord, have mercy, and bring us to our senses.
Because we have listened to many conflicting voices in society
and failed to take time to listen to your still, small voice,
Christ have mercy, and bring us to our senses.
So that we may be freed from guilt and needless anxiety
and experience the peace of forgiveness and renewal,
Lord, have mercy, and bring us to our senses.*

*All-pervasive God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
so guide us in the ways of mercy and truth,
and rule us by your Spirit,
that, in all the cares and occupations of life,
we may keep cool heads and loving hearts,
as we walk the way
of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.***

(Australian Prayers, Bruce D Prewer)

Nicene Creed

Did you know 2025 represents the 1700th anniversary of the writing of the Nicene Creed? First agreed by over 300 bishops convened by Emperor Constantine at the Council of Nicaea (Synod) in AD325, the Creed expresses the church's faith in the Holy Trinity - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Significant beliefs expressed in the Creed include that Jesus rose from the dead and that the apostolic church is one. St Francis College has assembled resources dedicated to helping us think more deeply about what we say in the Creed every Sunday, <https://www.stfranciscoll.edu.au/franks-news/2025/7/25/issue-61-franks-news-august-2025#mctoc6>. Meanwhile Catholic Bishop, Robert Barron, in his Word on Fire podcast dedicates episode 496 (30 June, 2025) to the Nicene Creed and its relevance for contemporary society.

News & Notices



Bush Dance a Smashing Success!

Once again, the bush dance brought the community together for a night of music, dancing, and laughter—an event thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Congratulations to our lucky raffle winners, Kathy F and Harold G! We hope your prizes bring a bit of extra joy.

A heartfelt thanks to the Samford Hotel and Blackwood Café for their generous donations, helping to make the raffle an exciting highlight of the evening.

Thank you to everyone who came along and contributed to the night's warm and spirited atmosphere!

We are happy that we made \$814 profit to go towards the project and maintenance fund.




ANGLIgreen
www.angligreen.org.au

Don't forget your keep-cup for morning tea



Climate change “imperils all forms of life” and countries must tackle the problem or face consequences under international law, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) has found. The court delivered its long-awaited advisory opinion. The momentous case opens the door for countries impacted by climate disasters to sue major emitting countries for reparations.

And citizens could seek to hold governments to account for a failure to safeguard their human rights if their own or other countries fail to take adequate action to ensure a safe climate. “The conversation.com”



This Week Around the Parish

SUNDAY 3

7:00 am Eucharist - St Matthew's
9:00 am Sung Eucharist - All Saints
Cake stall at All Saints

MONDAY 4

NUMBERS 11.4B-15
 PSALM 81.10-16
 MATTHEW 14.13-21

Parish Office open
Fr Stephen's day off

TUESDAY 5

NUMBERS 12.1-13
 PSALM 51.1-7
 MATTHEW 14.22-36

WEDNESDAY 6

NUMBERS 13.1-2,25-14.1,26-35
 PSALM 106.17-24
 MATTHEW 15.21-28

Parish Office open
10:00 am Eucharist and Healing Said Service —St Matthew's

THURSDAY 7

NUMBERS 20.1-13
 PSALM 95.1-7
 MATTHEW 16.13-23

10:30 am Service at Bellevue Aged Care— Ferny Hills

FRIDAY 8

DEUTERONOMY 4.32-40
 PSALM 77.11-15
 MATTHEW 16.24-28

Parish Office open

SATURDAY 9

DEUTERONOMY 6.4-13
 PSALM 18.1-7
 MATTHEW 17.14-20

7:45 am Quiet Morning—All Saints
10:00 am Fr Stephen Baptism at HMAS Moreton
6:00 pm Vigil Eucharist - St Matthew's

SUNDAY 10

ISAIAH 1.1,10-20
 PSALM 50.1-8,23-24
 HEBREWS 11.1-3,8-16
 LUKE 12.32-40

7:00 am Eucharist - St Matthew's
9:00 am Sung Eucharist - All Saints
3:00 pm 1st Holy Communion preparation - All Saints