

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

From the parable of the fig tree: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard.... If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

Jesus is pleading for each of us, right now. We may have wasted God's gifts in the past, yet our loving God never wants to let us go and offers another chance to turn our lives around and produce good fruit. The only thing which can prevent us from being filled by God's goodness, light and generosity is our own deliberate and final choice that it shall not be. What a waste that would be, as God knows we can all bear abundantly. May you stand firm in the Lord and be blessed with grace as you discern your relationship with God this Lent. 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.



MARCH

- 23 Baptism of Henry Dowling
- 28 Service at Regis Nursing Home
- 30 Parish Brunch

APRIL

- 2 Healing Service at St Matthews
- 3 Service at Bellevue Nursing home
- 6 Cake Stall
- 7 Baptism of Grace Dellit
- 9 Parish Council Meeting
- 16 MU Meeting
- 17 Maundy Thursday
- 18 Good Friday
- 19 Working Bee
- 20 Easter Day
- 22 Service at Regis nursing home
- 25 ANZAC DAY

MU NOTICES:

Each year Mothers Union (MU) between the 23rd and 25th of March conduct a Wave of Prayer service in line with Overseas MU Branches and the Diocese of Brisbane. This year we are inviting Parishioners to join us in your own home on Sunday 23 Mar and pray for the designated Overseas MU Branches. On the table in the Foyer at All Saints and at the back of the church at St Matthew's there are envelopes containing information about this for you. Please take one.

MU RETIRING COLLECTION

AMUA is supporting MU in the Solomon Islands to implement an Adult Literacy Program in three dioceses. The Collection will take place on March 30 (Mothering Sunday) OR you can donate direct to our bank account:
 BSB No. 704901
 Account No. 00014731
 Mark Transaction: Retiring Collection
Thank you in advance for your support.



Our postponed Parish Brunch will be on Sunday 30 March after the 9 am service at All Saints. If you have not done so already, please RSVP on the list in the foyer.

Lenten Studies HOPE25

will be held on
 Wednesday mornings
 at 11 am St Matthews and
 Sunday afternoons at 3 pm
 at All Saints.

Around the Parish



ALL SAINTS ROSTER	March 23	March 30	April 6
LAs	Danny A & Kathy F	Peter H	Norm H
Welcomers	Melissa B	Julie B	Ann E
1st Reader	Kathleen C	Andrew S	Pam M
2nd Reader	Kathryn L	Clare C	Peter H
Sidesperson/s	Les M & Helper	Kathleen C & Helper	Les M & Helper
Intercessions	Julie B	Hugh B	Deborah H
Sacristan	Jan D	John D	Jan D
Counters	Bev R & Stuart M	Les M & Clay B	Bev R & Tara P
Morning Tea	Kathryn L & Helper	Trish S & helper	Narelle B & helper
Friday Helper	Bev R (28/3)	Dawn S (4/4)	All hands on deck (11/4)

ST MATTHEWS ROSTER	March 23	March 30	April 6
LA	Melanie D	Barb B	Stuart M
Welcomers	Harold G	Sue H	Harold G
1st Reader	Melanie D	Barb B	Stuart M
2nd Reader	Cheryl P	Gillian P	Armando R
Intercessions	Melanie D	Barb B	Stuart M
Cleaning	Cheryl (29/3)	Bonnie (5/4)	Carol and Jackie (12/4)

Account details for Grovely Parish

Electronic transfers:

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

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.

Parish Projects

Electronic transfers:

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

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.



*Most merciful God,
we ask you to continue extending your grace and favor towards us;
Let the sun of your gospel never go down out of our hearts;
Let your truth abide and be established among us forever.
Help our unbelief, increase our faith,
and give us hearts to consider your many gifts.
In faith, clothe us with Christ, that he may live in us,
And your name may be glorified in us, in the sight of all the world.
As foolish as it may seem to some, and even to us at times,
Christ, and him crucified,
Remain our confession of faith.
Amen.*





Don't forget your keep-cup for morning tea



Earth Overshoot Day, calculated by the Global Footprint Network marks the date when humanity's annual demand for ecological resources and services exceeds what the planet can regenerate in that same year. This year Australia's date is March 19. It is an annual reminder that humanity is living beyond the Earth's capacity to work regenerate its resources

Moving the date:

The goal is to "move the date" of Earth Overshoot Day later in the year, ideally to December 31st, which would mean humanity is living within the Earth's ecological budget.

Fast and Feast during Lent

Fast from judging others; feast on the Christ within them.

Fast from emphasis on difference; feast on the unity of life.

Fast from apparent darkness; feast on the reality of light.

Fast from thoughts of illness; feast on the healing power of God.

Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.

Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger; feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.

Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.

Fast from worry; feast on trust in God's care.

Today we welcome Dr Stephen Harrison who is the Director of Mission, Research and Advocacy at Anglicare Southern Queensland.

About Anglicare

Our story began over 150 years ago, with the pioneering spirit of five women who founded the Female and Infants Refuge in Ann Street, Brisbane. From those humble beginnings, our commitment to our community extends today to one in thirty Queenslanders. We provide essential services to support individuals and communities focusing on aged care, out of home care, mental health, homelessness and family support. We are proud to be part of the Anglican Church Southern Queensland as we live out our values of love, care, hope and humility.





This Week Around the Parish

SUNDAY 23

7:00 am Eucharist - St Matthews
 9:00 am Sung Eucharist - All Saints
 11:30 am Baptism of Henry Dowling—St Matthews
 3:00 pm Lenten Study—All Saints

MONDAY 24

2 KINGS 5.1-15 *Fr Stephen's day off*
 PSALM 43 *Parish Office Open*
 LUKE 4.24-30

TUESDAY 25

SONG OF 3YM 2,11-20
 PSALM 25.3-9
 MATTHEW 18.21-35

WEDNESDAY 26

DEUTERONOMY 4.1-9 *Parish Office Open*
 PSALM 147.12-20 **10:00 am Eucharist—St Matthews**
 MATTHEW 5.17-19 **11:00 am Lenten Study—St Matthews**

THURSDAY 27

JEREMIAH 7.23-28
 PSALM 95.6-11
 LUKE 11.14-23

FRIDAY 28

HOSEA 14.2-9 *Parish Office Open*
 PSALM 81.13-16 **3:00 pm Service at Regis Nursing Home—Ferry Grove**
 MARK 12.28-34

SATURDAY 29

HOSEA 5.15-6.6 **6:00 pm Vigil Eucharist - St Matthews**
 PSALM 51.10-17
 LUKE 18.9-14

SUNDAY 30

JOSHUA 5.2-12 **7:00 am Eucharist - St Matthews**
 PSALM 32 **9:00 am Sung Eucharist - All Saints**
 2 CORINTHIANS 5.16-21 **10:30 am Parish Brunch**
 LUKE 15.11-32 **3:00 pm Lenten Study—All Saints**