

Toowoomba West

Anglican Parish

Where? St. Albans: - Cnr Anzac Ave & Hill St, Newtown – Sunday 10:00am
St. Augustine's – 232 Tor St, Rockville – Sunday 8:00am

20th September 2026 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Sentence: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

Prayer of the Day: Loving and righteous God, your boundless generosity exceeds all that we can desire or deserve, and you give to the last worker all you promised to the first: liberate us from all jealousy and greed, that we may be free to love and serve others, and in your service may find our true reward; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From the Sermon

Perhaps we should keep asking the same question: **What is God doing here?**

What is God doing in this changing world? What is God doing in our church? What is God doing through the person who has only just arrived? What is God doing when things don't happen the way we expected? And perhaps, if we stop grumbling long enough to look, we might discover that God is still providing. Still calling. Still welcoming. Still giving. Still pouring out grace in places we did not expect. The challenge is to stop comparing long enough to recognise it. Because following Jesus for the long haul means learning that much of what the world teaches us about deserving, earning and measuring simply does not fit the kingdom of God. Jesus turns our calculations upside down. And replaces them with grace. What a challenging—and glorious way to live. For the long haul.

Bible Readings:

This Week: Exodus 16.2-15
Philippians 1.21-30

Psalm 105.1-6, 37-45
Matthew 20.1-16

Next Week: Exodus 17.1-7
Philippians 2.1-13

Psalm 78.1-4, 11-16
Matthew 21.23-32

Due to privacy rules, if you need a visit from a priest, please make a request.

We are a pet friendly Parish, but please ensure your animal is restrained for the safety of all Parishioners.

Pauline's day/days off are Thursday and / or Friday

Pauline's holidays 14th September returning 21st

Give praise to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done

Mission Statement:

To make and mature disciples of Jesus, for God's glory.

Our Vision: Growing as Christians, as a church and in the Community.

Church Events

1st Sunday of month: Food collection for St Luke's pantry

2nd Sunday of month: Collection for School Chaplaincy program

3rd Sunday of month: Collection for Building Fund for St Alban's toilets

Monday: Indoor Bowls 7pm St Albans

1st Wednesday: Glenvale Villas Service 10:30am October 7th

2nd Wednesday: Bupa Service 10.30am October 14th

3rd Wednesday: Palm Lake Service 10:30am September 16th

4th Wednesday: OzCare Service 10:30am September 23rd

Thursdays: Ladies Bible Study 9:30am 10 Risson Street.

4th Friday: Community Morning Tea **CANCELLED FOR SEPTEMBER**

Friday 25th Sept 11am Memorial Service for Colin McLeaod @ McGrath's Funeral Home

3rd Saturday Cursillo B'fast 8am at St Augustine's September 19th

2nd Sunday Healing Service September 13th @ St James's 5pm

Fourth Sunday: Taizé Service 5.30pm St Augustine's September 27th

Trivia Night Nov 28th 7pm St Aug's

Garage Sale St Alban's Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd October 8am – 3pm

Next Bible Study starting soon

Parish Dinner 6pm October 30th at St Alban's church.

We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we gather, the Giabal and Jarowair people. Further, we acknowledge the cultural diversity of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and pay respect to elders' past, present and emerging.

WE PRAY FOR:

The World: The Diocese of the Anglican Church of Australia

The Church: The Diocese of Riverina, Parish of East Brisbane, Men's sheds, Services, West Moreton Anglican College.

Our Church Family: Desley C, Natasha & Grace, Jocelyn & Vanessa, Peter P, Bill S, Ray, Ros C, Ian C, Shirley A, Rev Rick, Ikey, Sharon P, Rosalie B, Peter V, Barbara S, Dawn & others who need our prayers at this time.

Birthdays: Trevor Caldicott and Val Pollock

Anniversaries: Leon & Bill Scotney

Faithful Departed: Evelyn Craswell, and Sharon Phillips

Prayers for TAS: Upcoming school calendar events and service events

Prayers for RI Teachers for Schools

OTHER MESSAGES:

Bring your bottles & cans to St Alban's hall or go to **Tomra** & use the code 10478658 for the money to go to our Parish

BMF Please collect a box to put in your small change. Also used stamps are welcome. The money goes to helping our Western Region.

Building fund for the toilets at St Alban's Hall. Collection for this every 3rd Sunday. Direct Debit any time. Please see the details for the account below. Raised so far \$54,000.

What's Coming Up

Garage Sale: Next Garage Sale is **2nd & 3rd October**. Donations are accepted on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am to 2pm **except for the week of the Garage sale**. Please ensure all items are in good order and clean. For more information contact Maria 0408 738 637 Thank you to all those volunteering. **No large furniture please.**

Bishop Daniel's fund raiser for South Sudan. Please put your donation into a marked envelope in the plate. Thank you to those who have donated so far.

Parish Dinner will be held on Friday 30th October at 6pm at St Alban's church. Please add your name to the list in the foyer. The Guest Speaker will be Bp Daniel Abot.

Operation Christmas Child is on again. Please check insert in your pew sheet, or call Carol Lawrence 0423 036 389

Follow the Star will be on again this year. We are looking for people to participate once again. It is a live Nativity experience. There are many varied positions including Tour Guides, Actors, Parking attendants, Construction Assistants, Ticket Booth Managers, Security and Crowd Management, Prayer Team Members and First Aiders. Please add your name and the role you would like to participate in on the sheet in the foyer. It was really great last year and many folk who do not attend church came along. This is your chance to be part of Christian Outreach. **Monica** is coming to tell us about it on 27th September.

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Welcome to our Parish,
Please Check out our website for information on being new in the parish and what to expect during a service. Information on giving is also available on our website:

www.toowoombawest.org

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www.anglicanchurchsq.org.au/

Parish Finances: Thank you for your ongoing support. The best way in which you can help your church is to continue to give. This may mean switching to online banking.

Account Name: Anglican Parish of Toowoomba West

BSB: 704 901 Account No. 00001310

Mission Account: 00014466

Vision Account: 00014467

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