



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Burwood

ST MATTHEW
Apostle, Evangelist & Martyr

Sunday 21 September 2025

8:00AM SAID EUCHARIST

Welcome to St Paul's

We warmly welcome you and are glad that you have come to worship God with us today on the Feast of Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist & Martyr.

Whether you are visiting for a short while, have moved here and are joining our Parish, or are returning to your faith, I welcome you to St Paul's Anglican Church, Burwood.

This historic church, dedicated to St Paul the Apostle & Martyr, was designed by the Australian colonial architect Edmund Blacket. It had its foundation stone laid on 29 July 1871 and the first service was held in the church on Saturday 27 April 1872. Since its earliest days St Paul's has maintained a fine reputation for liturgy and music in the Tractarian tradition.

We are very glad that you are here and we look forward to getting to know you. Refreshments (tea/coffee), when served, are available in the Parish Hall immediately following the service. The hall can be found by turning left when leaving the church.

Fr Michael Deasey OAM
Locum Tenens

Please take this order of service home.

Do you need to update your details?



Use this QR code to update your details in our parish database and ensure you are kept up-to-date with everything going on at St Paul's Burwood.

Alternatively, you can contact the parish office by phone: (02) 9747 4327 or email: info@stpaulsburwood.org.au



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Cover Photo: The East Window (detail) at St Paul's Burwood.

Icon (left): Icon of St Paul in the Chapel of Our Lady

Please stand as the bell is rung and the sanctuary party processes to the chancel.

Greeting

✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The priest continues with the opening sentence:

Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have come not to call the righteous, but sinners.

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,

and from whom no secrets are hidden:

cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie eleison

The congregation repeats each petition after the priest.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
✠ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect

All remain standing as the priest says the collect of the day.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, who through your Son Jesus Christ called Matthew from the selfish pursuit of gain to become an apostle and evangelist: free us from all greed and love of riches so that we may follow the steps of our Lord Jesus Christ in the way of self-giving love; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit for the readings and psalm.

First Reading: Proverbs 3.1–6

My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments; for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you.

Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them round your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favour and good repute in the sight of God and of people.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 19.1–6

The verses are said alternately between the reader and the congregation.

Please observe a short break at the colon in the middle of each verse.

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God: *(pause)*
 and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;
- 2 **One day tells it to another: *(pause)***
 and night to night communicates knowledge.
- 3 There is no speech or language: *(pause)*
 nor are their voices heard;
- 4 **Yet their sound has gone out through all the world: *(pause)***
 and their words to the ends of the earth.
- 5 There he has pitched a tent for the sun: *(pause)*
 which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber,
 and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.
- 6 **Its rising is at one end of the heavens,**
 and its circuit to their farthest bound: *(pause)*
 and nothing is hidden from its heat.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4.1–14

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ’s gift. Therefore it is said,

‘When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people.’

(When it says, ‘He ascended’, what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the gradual hymn.

Gradual Hymn

FRANCONIA SM

W. H. Havergal (1793-1870)



- 1 Blest are the pure in heart,
 For they shall see our God,
 The secret of the Lord is theirs,
 Their soul is Christ's abode.
- 2 The Lord, who left the heavens
 Our life and peace to bring,
 To dwell in lowliness with men,
 Their pattern and their King;
- 3 Still to the lowly soul
 He doth himself impart,
 And for his dwelling and his throne
 Chooseth the pure in heart.
- 4 Lord, we thy presence seek;
 May ours this blessing be;
 Give us a pure and lowly heart,
 A temple meet for thee.

John Keble (1792-1866) and others

Remain standing for the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

*You are God: we praise you. You are the Lord: we acclaim you;
the white-robed army of martyrs praise you.*

Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 9.9–13

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, ‘Follow me.’ And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, ‘Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?’ But when he heard this, he said, ‘Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, “I desire mercy, not sacrifice.” For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.’

For the Gospel of the Lord,
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Ms Rosemary King
Lay Minister

Please stand for the Creed.

Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, ✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please kneel for the prayers.

Prayers of the Faithful.

One of the following responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy. *or* Father, hear our prayer.
Hear our prayer. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the end of the prayers, the following is recited:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

A selection of Scripture sentences may be used, concluding with the Prayer of Approach:

**We do not presume
to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him
and he in us. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

The priest introduces the confession.

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

(Silence may be kept)

Let us then run our race, laying aside every weight and bringing our sins to the Lord in penitence and faith.

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The priest pronounces the Absolution.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:

✠ pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Greeting of Peace is exchanged through a silent bow towards those seated around you.

Please remain standing for the offertory hymn.

An offertory is taken for the work of the parish. This can be done in cash via the collection plate, direct debit using the details on page 15 or by scanning the QR code to make your offering directly from your mobile phone.

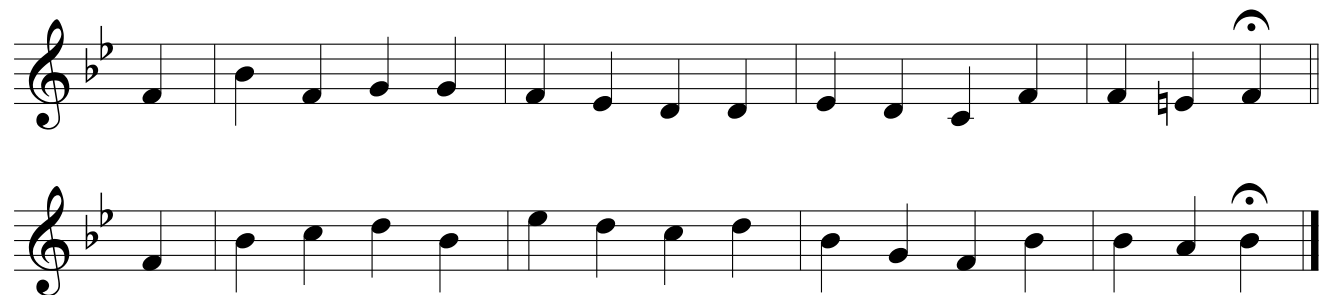


There is also a donation point at the West Door where you can tap your card.

Offertory Hymn

WINCHESTER NEW LM

Adapted from a chorale in *Musicalisches Hand-Buch* Hamburg 1690



- 1 He sat to watch o'er customs paid,
A man of scorned and hardening trade,
Alike the symbol and the tool
Of foreign masters' hated rule.
- 2 But grace within his breast had stirred;
There needed but the timely word:
It came, true Lord of souls, from thee,
That royal summons, 'Follow me.'
- 3 Enough, when thou wast passing by,
To hear thy voice, to meet thine eye:
He rose, responsive to the call,
And left his task, his gains, his all.
- 4 O wise exchange! with these to part,
And lay up treasure in the heart —
Who now with crown of light doth shine
Among the apostolic line.
- 5 Come, Saviour, as in days of old;
Pass where the world has strongest hold,
And faithless care and selfish greed
Are thorns which choke the holy seed.
- 6 Who keep thy gifts, O bid them claim
The steward's not the owner's name;
Who yield up all for thy dear sake,
Let them of Matthew's wealth partake.

William Bright (1824-1901)

The Preparation

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The priest continues with the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

✠ **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please kneel. The priest then continues with the Prayer of Consecration.

Memorial Acclamation

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

✠ Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of
the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

✠ **Blessing and honour and glory and power,
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever, 9
Amen.**

The breaking of the bread

The priest breaks the bread and says the following:

[We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.]

We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word
and I shall be healed.

Communion

Communion is distributed along the full length of the communion rail.

Please form a single line on the Organ side of the nave and return on the Pulpit side.

At the end of the distribution of communion, all stand for the post-communion prayer.

Post-Communion Prayer

The priest says the following seasonal prayer:

Let us pray:

God, the source of all holiness: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims on earth be welcomed with Matthew and all your saints to the heavenly feast in your kingdom.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Remain standing for the final hymn.

Final Hymn

GENEVAN PSALM 42
87 87 77 88

Melody and most of the bass by Louis Bourgeois (c.1510-61)
in the French edition of the *Genevan Psalter* 1551



- 1 Joy and triumph everlasting hath the heavenly Church on high;
For that pure immortal gladness all our feast-days mourn and sigh:
Yet in death's dark desert wild doth the mother aid her child,
Guards celestial thence attend us, stand in combat to defend us.
- 2 Here the world's perpetual warfare holds from heaven the soul apart;
Legioned foes in shadowy terror vex the Sabbath of the heart.
O how happy that estate where delight doth not abate;
For that home the spirit yearneth, where none languisheth nor mourneth.
- 3 There the body hath no torment, there the mind is free from care,
There is every voice rejoicing, every heart is loving there.
Angels in that city dwell; them their King delighteth well:
Still they joy and weary never, more and more desiring ever.
- 4 There the seers and fathers holy, there the prophets glorified,
All their doubts and darkness ended, in the Light of light abide.
There the Saints, whose memories old we in faithful hymns uphold,
Have forgot their bitter story in the joy of Jesu's glory.
- 5 There from lowliness exalted dwelleth Mary, Queen of grace,
Ever with her presence pleading 'gainst the sin of Adam's race.
To that glory of the blest, by their prayers and faith confest,
Us, us too, when death hath freed us, Christ of his good mercy lead us.

A Latin Sequence by Adam of St Victor (c.1150)
Tr. Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

Remain standing for the blessing and dismissal.

Blessing

The priest says this seasonal Blessing:

God give you grace to follow Matthew and all the saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.


✠ In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Prelude in E minor 'the Wedge', BWV 548

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

To maintain the prayerfulness of the liturgy, it is requested that there be no applause at the end of the organ postlude. Please be mindful of those who wish to stay and listen.




THE EPISTLE

The Michaelmas to Christ the King edition of The Epistle, the quarterly publication of St Paul's Anglican Church, Burwood, is now available for purchase.

Cost: \$10.00 (+ \$5 postage if required)

All proceeds go to support the ministry of St Paul's.

Copies can also be ordered online by scanning the QR code:



Next Week's Readings

Sunday 28 September – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

OT: Jeremiah 32.1–3a, 6–15

Psalm: 91.1–6, 14–16

NT: 1 Timothy 6.6–19

Gospel: Luke 16.19–31

Parish Notices

Congratulations to the newly Baptised

Today we will welcome into the family of God, the Church, through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Zion Sean Zinyuku, Alexandra Jung and Harper Olive Best.

Please pray for Zion, Alexandra, Harper, their parents, sponsor and Godparents that they may know God's presence in their lives and be enfolded with God's love.

The Epistle – Out Now

The Michaelmas to Christ the King edition of The Epistle is available today. Copies are \$10 and can be purchased from the Trading Table after all morning services.

Monthly Parish Lunch – Today

The monthly parish lunch at Club Burwood will take place today. Please see Phillip Seale to confirm your seat or if you need a lift to the club. Photo ID is required if you are not already a Club member.

Evening Prayer on Fridays

Evening Prayer and Holy Communion on the last Friday of the month will take place this week on **Friday 26 September**, beginning at 5:40pm. Please enter through the Belltower porch. This is a lovely meditative way to end the week.

Spring Fundraiser Lunch

Quiche, salad and slice was the fare for the Spring Fundraiser lunch on Sunday 14 September. We had 74 booked for the day and 67 happy parishioners sat down to eat.

Thank you to the ticket sellers, the cooks, the bread and sandwich donor, the kitchen organizers, the food servers, the washing up crew, cleaning hall crew and anyone else who helped in any way. It was a very successful day making \$1204.

The next luncheon will be the Advent Lunch on **Sunday 7 December**. Claim the date in your diary!

Burwood Community Choir

The Spring Concert for the Burwood Community Choir is this coming **Friday 26 September** in the Parish Hall beginning at 6:30pm.

Safe Ministry

If you hold a position, paid or unpaid, at St Paul's then you are required to complete your Safe Ministry Certificate before 31 December 2025. Face to face courses are on the Notice Board. Otherwise you can complete an online course by visiting safeministry.training

If you are unsure if this applies to you, please contact Rosemary in the Parish Office.

Parish Prayer List

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia.

In our Parish cycle of prayer we pray for all parishioners of St Paul’s.

We bring before God those in our community who need the reassurance of your loving care for them. We pray particularly for:

Barry Brandy, Tiffany Cheng, Deb Edmeades, Fr Graeme Gaul, Dela Gibson, Elaine Gow, Vanessa McNeill, Elizabeth Morris, Pam Priest, Sam, Elizabeth Scott, Jenny Sherman, Steve, David Wheatley, Bob Woods, Susan Allen, Joyce Bannister, Belinda, Dale Berry, John Burns, Betty Daniels, Debbie, Elsie Dunnam, Margery and Peter Foss, Merle Gorman, Malcolm Green, Jean Greenwood, Gwen Hackett, Meg Harley, Alec Harris, Barbara Hawkins, Christine Johnson, Karen, Terry Kelly, Helen Kingsley, Larry Howley, Clyde Livingstone, Melissa Moore, Sally Palmer, Winnie Pang, Yolande Phillips, Michelle Phillips, Mark Roberts, Peter Sorensen, Barbara Stone, Sylvia, Anne Wardle, Bill Whittle and others known to us.

We pray for their carers, medical staff and families.

We give thanks for the lives of the recently departed, particularly Lily Toko, Norma Kneipp and those whose year’s mind occurs at this time:

Robert McClure, Vicki Dodman, Gwendoline John, Thelma Paterson, Eulalie Salisbury, Anne Hughes, Robert Ferri and Rev’d Dr John Beer.

✠ May they rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory.

At St Paul’s, we pray by name for people who have either asked for our prayers or for whom someone else has made a request. This list is updated every 3 months or when we receive a new request. Some names are on our list on a long-term basis while others reflect a more immediate need and are short term.

We will only be reading the names on the short-term list in the services but the whole list will still be included in the printed prayers for parishioners to use throughout the week. The full list of names will be read in our midweek service.

Names can be added to or removed from the lists at any time.

Offertory

Budget to end of August: \$145,000 – Receipts: \$ \$119,412
Collection and other donations

Offertory: \$3,880.70 Orchestral Mass Donation: \$3000
Votive Candles: \$138.20 Parish Pantry: \$990
TOTAL GIVING: \$8,008.90

Support us @ St Paul's



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General Offertory / Donation Account

Account Name: St Paul's Anglican Church
BSB: 032-062 Acc: 818 285

Parish Pantry Account

Account Name: Parish Pantry
BSB: 032-062 Acc: 812 238

National Trust Account

Account Name: National Trust of Australia (NSW) St Paul's Anglican Church Burwood
BSB: 032-044 Acc: 742 926
donations over \$2 are tax-deductible

Donations & Bequests

“I bequeath the sum of \$____ to the Rector and Wardens of the Anglican parish of St Paul’s Burwood, to be used at their absolute discretion for the charitable or other beneficial purposes of the parish.”

Wills

Mark Squire (an 8:00am service parishioner) is a solicitor experienced in drafting Wills. While he does not wish to have any commercial association with the church and/or its members, he has made an offer to assist, at no cost, senior parishioners and community members who wish to make donations to the parish in their Wills.

Mark is concerned to ensure that any senior who wants to help our wonderful parish this way is not deterred by the potential cost of so doing. Mark can be contacted via the parish office – (02) 9747 4327

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HOLY COMMUNION

Sundays throughout the year:

8:00am Said Eucharist – *with hymns*

10:00am Choral Eucharist – *with the Choir of St Paul's*

Wednesdays:

10:30am Eucharist

Fridays: *last Friday of the month*

5:40pm Evening Prayer

6:00pm Eucharist

Seasonal Services:

6:00pm Choral Eucharist – *with the Choir of St Paul's*

Special services are held during the year to mark Feast Days and other days of seasonal significance. These are advertised in the pew bulletin and on our website.

CHORAL EVENSONG

Sundays as advertised:

5:00pm Choral Evensong – *with the Choir of St Paul's*

For further information please visit our website: stpaulsburwood.org.au



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