

27 November 2025

SUNDAY EXTRA

WHATS ON AT ST PAUL'S

Friday 28 November

CLC Gospelcan event afternoon onward

Saturday 29 November

Focused Living 9.30am

Men's Group 6.00pm

(note change of evening)

Sunday 30 November

Worship 9.30am

Tuesday 02 December

Midweek worship 1.00pm

Evergreen 2.30pm

Young Adults 7.30pm

Wednesday 03 December

Christmas Choir 7.30pm

Thursday 04 December

Women's Walking Group 9.30am

Friday 05 December

Fete set up 4.00pm to 6.00pm

Contact Garry Tepper

Youth 6.30pm

Saturday 06 December

Fete 10.00am – 1.00pm

Sunday 07 December

Worship 9.30am

Tuesday 09 December

Mission Team 7.30pm

Wednesday 10 December

Christmas Choir 7.30pm

Young Adults 7.30pm

Thursday 11 December

Women's Walking Group 9.30am

Christmas Singalong 7.00pm

Friday 12 December

Youth 6.30pm

Saturday 13 December

Youth sleepover

Sunday 14 December

Children's Nativity service 9.30am

**Special Congregational Meeting
after worship**

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Sunday 14 December after worship

Please plan to attend the congregational meeting to pass the 2026 budget at a meeting following worship on Sunday 14 December.

The Book of Reports will be distributed to members in the next days.

Christmas at St Paul's Box Hill

The celebration of Christmas at St Paul's is a joyful time and starts this year with the fete, followed by the Children's Nativity story, Family Christmas and Lessons and Christmas Day worship.

**Please join us this
Christmas**



**St Paul's Christmas Fete
Saturday 06 December
10.00am -1.00pm**



- Children's activities
- Arts and Crafts
- Plant stall
- Sausage Sizzle
- Free Morning Tea
- Musical Interludes

Worship at St Paul's

Sunday 14 Dec

Children's Nativity play 9.30am

Sunday 21 December

Regular Worship 9.30am

Lessons and Carols 8.00pm

Wednesday 24 December

Family Christmas 5.00pm

Lessons and Carols 6.30pm

Lessons and Carols 8.30pm

Thursday 25 December

Christmas Service 9.30am

HELP NEEDED

Please contact Marlene Pietsch if you are willing to be a lector for one or all of the three Lessons and Carols services.

Email marlenepietsch@gmail.com

'Welcome to St Pauls. Come and be where we are!'

These words are not just for Sundays.

The Mission Coordination team are excited that the St Paul's Centre is now opening doors every Monday to Wednesday morning from 9am until 12noon, staffed by some wonderful volunteers.

Please feel welcome to come along and have a coffee, a chat, play some games or do a craft. Invite a friend or meet a new one.

**St Paul's Community Hub
Monday – Wednesday
mornings from 9.00am**

Join us for a free cuppa.



Relax, read or play a game or have a chat.

Children's play area.

All welcome.

Thursday night Singalong 11 December at 7.00pm



Karen Dymke is organising a Christmas Carol singalong on Thursday 11 December from 7.00pm. Please come along and feel welcome to invite others. You might meet some of our neighbours.

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ORGAN UPDATE!!

It's back and what a joy it's been to once again be led in worship by the "king of instruments" as it's sometimes called, after an extended absence for essential repairs.

Thank you St Paul's!!

Due to the incredibly generous giving of our members, together with the support of Church Council and the LCAV District, we are thrilled to announce that - to date - we have raised just over 90 % of the fund needed for the stage one and two works.

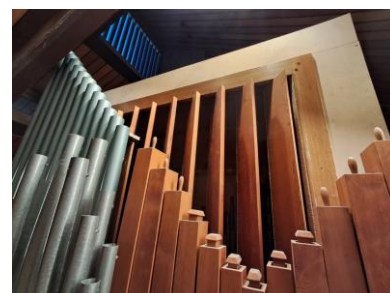
The stage one works, which included new wiring and refurbishment of the console (the bit that gets played) are now complete and we look forward to moving onto stage 2 in the near future, which will see the fitting of a new blower (the bit that pumps the air into the pipes) and ultimately, in stage 3, the addition of new groups (ranks) of pipes.

We'll be back in touch in the new year with another update, but please contact me or Melissa Doecke if you have any questions or would like to help.

Yours In Christ,

Peter Neville

(Chair, Worship Committee).



ADVENT ACTIONS

St Paul's Justice & Mercy Ministry - Advent Actions 2025

One of my favourite times of the year is fast approaching: Christmas.

This season is also one of the busiest times; not just personally, but also for our congregation.

We thank all of you for your generous and enthusiastic support in all the past years.

Here are some details about how we can all be involved in sharing Christ's Love by participating in some of our **Advent Action Activities**.



ANGEL TREE –

Angel Tree supporting 120 children with gifts through our partnership with Prison Fellowship. Overnight we have received a request to support a further 35 children. Find out more about this Mercy project at <https://prisonfellowship.org.au/programs/angel-tree/>

To be allocated children to purchase gifts for, please contact **John Hinz**
Mobile 0425 400 877 **Email** john.d.hinz@gmail.com

Please bring gifts to church by Sunday 07 December or post direct to families by Tuesday 09 December.

BIG BOX OF KINDNESS

Grocery and pantry items, supporting recent migrants and refugees in our local community and other local residents in need. **BBoK due back by Sunday 14**

December. If unable to do a whole BBoK please consider donating individual items or a supermarket voucher (\$25-40). For more information, contact

Cathy Beaton

Mobile 0426220 079 **Email** cathy@stpaulsboxhill.org.au



ALWS – Gifts of Grace

Gifts starting from \$5, You will find the perfect gift to give someone who has everything. Brochures are available in the foyer & cafe

Volunteer to help with the Christmas Lunch for Uni Students, (esp. International students), hosted by St Thomas Anglican Church, Burwood, in conjunction with other local churches.

Tuesday 23rd December from 11.45am-3.30pm.

For more information or to volunteer:

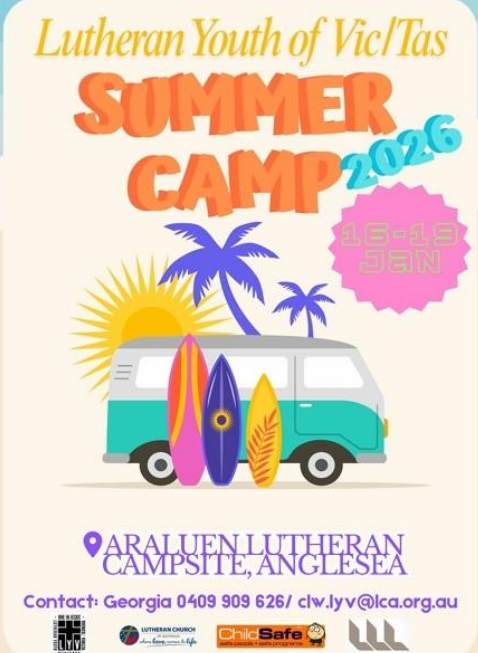
<https://wcc.infoodle.com/f/VolunteerApplicationChristmasLunchStToms2025Form>



Cathy Beaton on behalf of the Justice and Mercy team

ST PAUL'S MINISTRY EXPO

Thanks to those who dropped by the ministry expo last week. More information on activities and volunteer roles will be made available early next year but for now please contact the office for information on participation and/or volunteering.



REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

INVITING ALL HIGH SCHOOL-AGED STUDENTS IN YEARS 7 TO 12 IN 2026

FRIDAY 16TH - MONDAY 19TH JANUARAY

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL/MESSAGE US @ CONTACT DETAILS ON POSTER

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 @LUTHERANYOUTHVIC  LYV'S CHRISTIAN LIFE WEEK

Prayer Partners available after the service to pray with you.

From this Sunday 30 November, we are reintroducing *prayer partners*, people available to pray with you after the Service. They will be praying in the quiet room at the back of the church. If they are already praying with someone, just wait in the back pew and they will come and find you when they are free.

Please take up this opportunity to pray for your own needs, for our Pastors and Congregation, for the wider community or whatever is on your heart.

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Matt 18:20

THANK YOU

Thank you for your good care of our wonderful and inviting spaces and to all who assist with cleaning and maintenance.

We are now sharing with two partners in the Church and the St Paul's Centre so please do clean up thoroughly as you finish using a space to leave it ready for the next group.

- Wipe surfaces
- Vacuum or sweep crumbs
- Wash and put away dishes
- Return furniture to its original room and position (photos will be available soon to assist)

Please also report any breakages or lack of functionality to caretaker@stpaulsboxhill.org.au or office@stpaulsboxhill.org.au

Contact St Paul's Lutheran Church Box Hill

Office email: office@stpaulsboxhill.org.au

Phone 03 9326 0623 (attended Monday to Thursday)

Website: <https://www.stpaulsboxhill.org.au/>