



We pray for

The World for the de-escalation of war and conflict across the world, particularly in the Middle East and Ukraine; for the thousands of people who have had their lives and safety endangered and plans disrupted because of warfare; for those who have already lost their lives in current conflicts; for those facing natural disasters people of Columbia, Venezuela, Japan, Nepal and Tibet; for those who have experienced or witnessed violence for honest dedicated leaders who work for the welfare of all. We pray for our wildlife, particularly birds and mammals that may be affected by the H5N1 bird flu.

Our Community for those affected by violence, especially domestic violence; for the homeless, for those struggling with substance abuse, for those experiencing financial distress. We pray for Australians affected by adverse weather. We pray for those who are travelling. We pray for communities affected by the recent deaths, including deaths of children. We pray for the homeless ministry at St John's Anglican Cathedral.

The Church for all who are preparing for ordination or have recently been ordained; for those involved in the governance of our church at congregational, District and Churchwide levels.

Our congregation for all who attend both the Korean and English language worship services. We pray for the speedy recovery of those of our congregation who are experiencing health issues; for those in governance roles and for all our volunteers at St Andrew's. We pray for the workers who are involved in the roof/walls restoration project.

Those needing our prayers Ann, Liz, Rex, Odd-Steinar, Martin, Claire, Seamus, Sacha, Shiloh, Clancy, Harvey, Hazel, Jan, John, Sam, Carly, Denis, Bok Hee, Deirdre, Mark, Kate, Coral, Tracey, Peter, Kevin, Sylvia, Ilaina, Tahery, Heri, Ilo Hasina and Tahina, Owen, Shiron, Dianne.

We are thankful

for all our volunteers who keep the wheels turning at St Andrew's. We give thanks for the Homelessness Ministry at St John's Cathedral who offer overnight shelter and meals to those who need this help.

We give thanks for the gift of modern medicine and skilful doctors, nurses and allied medical professionals.

Our Congregation

This week's news at a glance: Roof/walls project continues to progress, with regular updates being provided; the half yearly meeting of the congregation was held last Sunday – see below for details

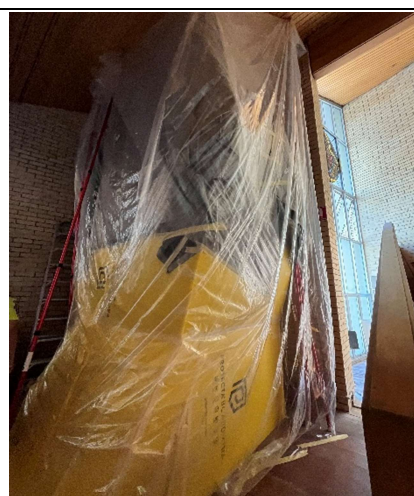
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Roof/Walls project update

- Cleaning the walls is progressing and the outcome is very pleasing!
- The carpark was closed on Monday and will be again tomorrow morning for crane operations in relation to the roof works which began this week; these disruptions will be recurring in coming weeks
- The organ has been protected



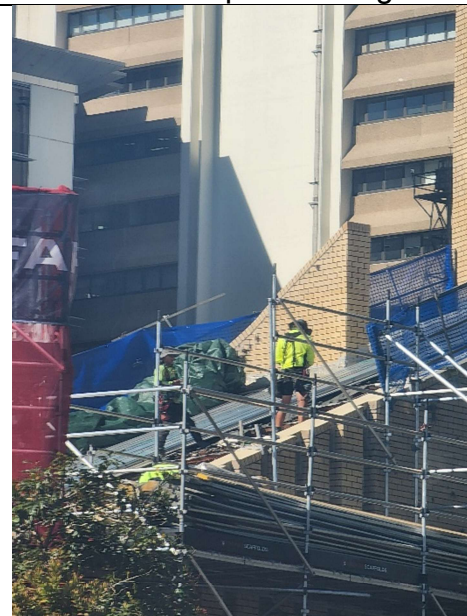
Protection complete on organ



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- Progress is on track for the anticipated completion of the project before the end of November



Reformation Sunday Lunch

- **Date:** Sunday, October 25, 2026
- **Significance:** Commemorates the start of the Protestant Reformation in 1517, when Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany.
- **Lunch:** traditionally, St Andrew's has celebrated with a lunch; arrangements for this year are under way - reserve some time!

Half Yearly Meeting on Sunday 27 September.

The meeting was well attended and received interim reports.

The meeting also heard that:

- the congregation's architect will provide an assessment of the required works and options for an accessible bathroom and easier access around the church grounds and between levels of the church.
- the 'welcome' team will be reconstituted to continue the legacy of the Diversity by Design project – contact Karyn if you are interested in being involved.
- the cooling for the church/vestry this summer will include new insulation in the roof, 2 new large ceiling fans and 12 new small fans placed around the walls. The roof/walls remediation project team investigated the effectiveness of this combination in the Albert St Uniting Church before deciding on a solution for improvements at St Andrews.

The meeting endorsed the creation of a working group to report back to the 2027 AGM concerning ministry resourcing using the following themes raised in a report to the meeting:

- revision of physical church space and vestry requirements (with Worship Committee) – action needed in conjunction with return to church following roofing project
- growth of and sustaining the Korean Ministry
- youth membership of St Andrews
- capacity for mission outreach

If you want to be involved in this group in any capacity, contact Karyn.

A reminder: at the AGM in March 2027, we will need many new faces in the committees that govern the congregation. Consider how you can be involved!

LCAQD is offering this online session in October - 'Hospitality as Mission' on Tuesday 20 October 2026

	First session	Second session (repeated)
Queensland (AEST)	11.30 am	5.30 pm

Join the Zoom meeting (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3605615625?omn=89403217905>)

Meeting ID: 360 561 5625

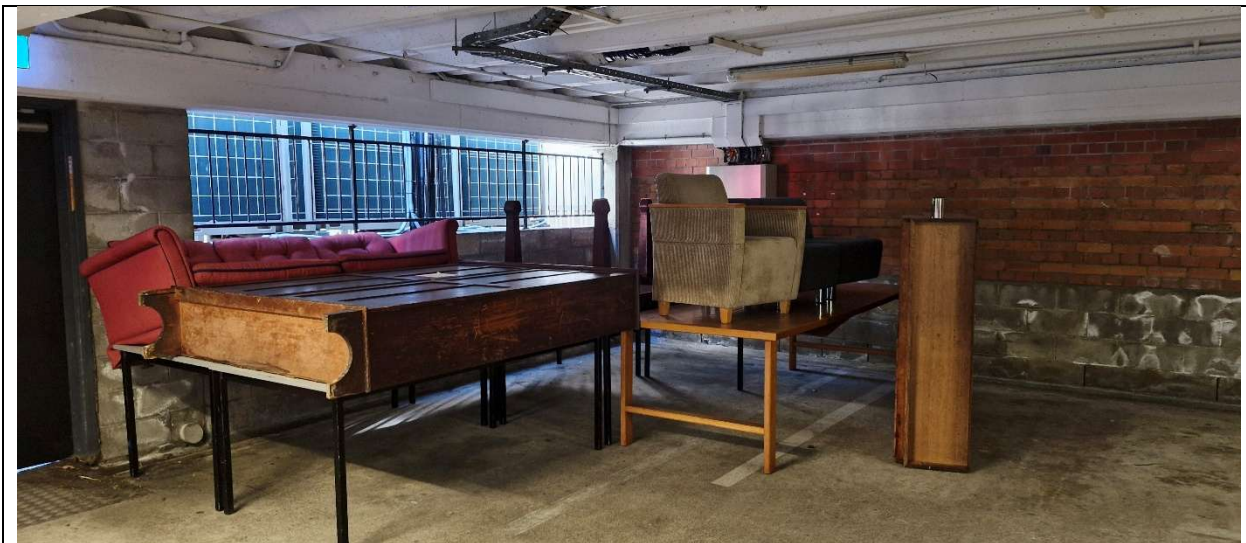
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Still to come next month - on November 17 2026 – Beyond the Event: Turning Outreach into Relationship.

You can pray in a pew, in pyjamas, in traffic, in tears or in complete silence. God doesn't need a location, He just needs an invitation.



Surplus furniture Surplus furniture stored under Andrew House is still available to the congregation and friends until the end of next week. Let Giselle know if you need access to collect during the week. Please note that the **old pew** is being stored for removal back to the hall and is not available. The grey tables and the pine table are reserved for collection this week.



Men's Gathering will be held on Saturday, 10 October. This will be a casual BBQ at the hall. Please contact Mark Tonkin to advise your attendance.

Volunteers needed for October. Are you able to be a lector, an usher, count the collection, provide and serve morning tea, even for a 'one off' time in October? Please let Shiron or Karyn know if you can help.

Sunday School

Classes started for Term 4 and are being held in the office during the project works on site.

Roof and walls remediation project queries or concerns?

Talk to Karyn Cullen, Jeff Ost, Wes Volz or Mark Boughen if you have any queries.

Our stories: Katie Tonkin and Molly Phillips will be back this Saturday 4 October for more face to face interviews and filming. If St Andrew's has been part of your life recently or many years ago, we would love to hear from you. You can be filmed, interviewed, share artefacts, or nominate someone else with a story to tell. Contact Karyn Cullen, Shiron Dixon, Kate Hofstee, Mark Tonkin or Russell Brieze, or use the nomination link.

Click on the [link](#) to nominate people you think might have stories to tell. Nominate yourself! You can submit the form as many times as you like. We will be in touch.

Celebrating our foundations and charting a multi-cultural future at St Andrew's. In 2026, we give thanks for 50 years of our present church building on Wickham Terrace - the third home of the St Andrew's congregation since it first gathered in 1858. As we mark this anniversary, we want to pause, remember and listen.

The fine print: If you are happy to be included in the filming, there will be a release to sign to allow the use of your image in final edited footage. All interviewees will be required to sign a similar release so that the stories they tell are able to be made public.

Can you help?

- (i) Gardening - contact Astrid on 0414986729 if you can help out with specific projects in the columbarium garden, some mulch and soil will need spreading in coming weeks
- (ii) The October/November rosters are under construction. Let Shiron know your availability.

Profiles – paused for September but back from next week!



Dates to remember and Hall use

Please note the dates in your diaries.

When?	What's happening?
Sunday School	Term 4 from 11 October 2026 to 6 December (currently in the office)
Every Tuesday	10am to 12pm Korean Art Class

Saturday 3 October	Storytelling filming and interviews 8.30 am – 3.30pm
Tuesday 13, 27 October	6.30pm Wine and Word
Saturday 10 October	Men's Gathering – BBQ in the hall
Tuesday 20 October	Church Council (6pm) and Worship Committee (5pm) meetings
Sunday 25 October	After 10am Service Reformation Sunday Lunch

Regular giving and other financial matters

Thank you to all who continue to make financial offerings to St Andrew's and contribute to the Containers for Change program for St Andrew's. If you wish to contribute, see [here](#) for information. Scan the bar code below at the collection centre to transfer the money to St Andrew's Diakonal fund.

The bank details for St Andrew's Regular offerings account: BSB 704942, A/c 100298818.
If transferring from LLL, use A/c 4776981.
Containers for change ID C10201744
Every 10c contribution helps!
Keep those containers coming, please!



The money raised is used to buy food vouchers for those in need. If you need help, please speak to Pastor Tommi, Pastor Yong Bong or one of the Pastoral Assistants, who will assist if possible.

Our congregational ministry and activity at St Andrews: see the hyperlink [here](#) for the full list.

Our Church

1. LCAQD - eNews **23 September** is [here](#).
2. LCA - eNews **29 September** is [here](#)
3. **Lutheran Services** are currently recruiting for a permanent part-time **Aged Care Chaplain** in the Buderim and/or Gympie area. More information is [here](#).

Columbarium niche – contact the office to enquire about availability



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Sunday Mass 10am (English) and 1pm (Korean)

If you wish to arrange for someone else to be included in the regular newsletter email or to unsubscribe from this distribution list please phone 38319106 or email <mailto:standrews.brisbane.qld@lca.org.au>. We acknowledge that our loving Creator God first gave the land on which we are placed to the Turrbal and Jagera peoples of the First Nations who have walked and cared for this land since before recorded time. We thank God for the land's Traditional Custodians and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.