



St John's Cathedral Community News

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August Outreach: *Fundasaun Alola*

'Feto Forte, Nasaun Forte' 'Strong Women, Strong Nation'



The Alola Foundation (*Fundasaun Alola*) was established in 2001 by Dr Kirsty Sword Gusmão, the former First Lady of Timor-Leste, with the initial focus of raising awareness and campaigning against sexual and gender-based violence in Timor-Leste.

God of the dirtied hands,
the wandering feet;
you seek out the lost
before ever they
turn to you:
take us with you
into the abandoned
places
to find a new
community
outside our fortress
walls;
through Jesus Christ,
the Searching One.
Amen.

from
Prayers for an
Inclusive Church



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Since then, the Foundation has grown to include a wider range of programs that assist the women and children of Timor-Leste, including advocacy, economic empowerment, education and literacy, and maternal and child health.

In 2008, Alola Australia was established as a not-for-profit organisation with the intention of being a responsive and supportive collaborator, at the same time building the capacity of their partner, *Fundasaun Alola*. Together they bring and build knowledge, experiences and resources to address shared priorities.

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- Wed. 2nd ▪ Wasting Time with God, 9.30am • Ariel Heber
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- Thu. 3rd Free morning concert, 11.00am • *Piano (Queensland Conservatorium)*
- Sun. 6th ▪ Labyrinth Walk, after 9.30am Eucharist
 ▪ Vocation Sunday Steeplechase, 1.00pm
 ▪ Mystics, Theologians and God-Botherers, 6.00pm
- Wed. 9th Contemplative Eucharist, 5.30pm for 6.00pm
- Sat. 12th **BCCMF 2017 opening weekend**
 Festival concert I, 7.00pm • *“Sax & Song”*
 Brisbane Chamber Choir
- Sun. 13th ▪ Eucharist, 9.30am • *The Cathedral Choir*
 ▪ Book launch, 3.00pm • **“A Queensland Masterpiece”**
 ▪ Evensong, 6.00pm • *The Cathedral Choir*
- Tue. 15th St Margaret’s annual concert, 7.00pm • *“Classics in the Cathedral”*
- Wed. 16th **RNA Show ‘Ekka’ public holiday – no English class today**
- Sat. 19th **BCCMF 2017 closing weekend**
 Festival concert II, 6.00pm • *“Songs of Praise and Joy”*
 Cathedral Choir • brass & percussion from UQ
- Sun. 20th ▪ Eucharist, 9.30am • *The Cathedral Choir*
 ▪ Festival concert III, 2.00pm • *“Divine Love Songs”*
 UQ Chamber Singers • Mansfield SHS Chorale • St Stephen’s Schola
 ▪ Evensong, 6.00pm • *The Cathedral Singers*
- Wed. 23rd Free morning concert, 11.00am • *UQ Music @ St John’s*
- Sun. 27th Refugee & Migrant Sunday

SEPTEMBER

- Sun. 3rd Sunday Conversation, 3.30pm • Podcast recording
- Wed. 6th Choral Evensong, 6.00pm
- Thu. 7th Free morning concert, 10.00am
- Sat. 9th Queensland Choir Concert, 7.30pm • *“American Masterpieces”*
- Sun. 10th An Afternoon at the Movies, 1.00pm • *“The Mission”*
- Wed. 13th Contemplative Eucharist, 5.30pm for 6.00pm

For more details about upcoming events at your Cathedral,
 you may also visit www.stjohnscathedral.com.au/whats-on

*(Please note that work is currently underway to build a new website
 for the Cathedral, including an events calendar with increased functionality
 and ease of access; your patience and understanding are appreciated as
 we focus our behind-the-scenes efforts on this new platform – more news soon!)*

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The women of Timor-Leste face multiple disadvantages including limited access to education, barriers to employment, high fertility rates, poor health status and exposure to domestic and sexual violence. By addressing these disadvantages, Alola focuses on the improvement of the health of women and thus also children.



In 2016, Alola helped 2,600 new mothers with breastfeeding support, provided 844 maternity packs to new mothers, and supported more than 1,700 people to participate in birth preparedness programs.

From early 2017, the Maternal and Child Health program has undertaken several health promotion activities, including cooking demonstrations using locally available food, community discussions on breastfeeding in rural villages, and referrals for mothers and children to health facilities where malnourished children can be treated, and pregnant women are assisted towards safe delivery.

Alola provides Hospital Liaison Officers employed at the Dili National Hospital and referral hospitals in Oecusse, Baucau and Maubisse to support new-born care. These liaison officers have the important role of assisting the initiation of breastfeeding, and providing early intervention for premature and underweight babies.

In August, the celebration of World Breastfeeding Week will focus attention on Alola as it increases its Maternal and Child Health program, expanding promotion of infant and young child feeding, strengthening basic safe motherhood initiatives across 153 villages, and introducing the birth spacing program into four new villages.



The objective of these programs is to give community support groups knowledge and skills to assist with counseling, providing information on risks and complications during pregnancy, identifying symptoms of malnutrition and making referrals for emergency attendance at health facilities.

Through a significant proportion of unpaid voluntary work, Alola Australia is able to keep costs to a minimum so that most funds raised are transferred directly into the programs in Timor-Leste.

**World Breastfeeding Week
1st-7th August**



The Alola MILK Campaign was launched on World Breastfeeding Day in 2011 by Kirsty Sword Gusmão, along with hundreds of mothers and babies in Melbourne and Timor-Leste. Kirsty said, "in Timor-Leste breastfeeding saves lives ... We hope MILK inspires the community to get behind women and children in Timor-Leste."

Can we help Alola Australia to support the Maternal and Child Health program of Fundasaun Alola? Outreach envelopes for August are available at the Outreach Board in the narthex.



Please place your donation in an Outreach envelope and either • give it with your offering • place it in the Donations Box in the Cathedral • give it to a warden • or give it to the Cathedral Office during office hours Monday-Friday.

Donations of \$2 or more to Alola Australia are tax-deductible. If you wish to receive a receipt, please ensure that your name and address are written on the envelope. Thank you.

Wasting Time with God

Wed. 2nd August
9.30am – 11.30am



“Interfaith – A guide to the fearful and perplexed” with Ariel Heber

Ari has been involved with Interfaith in Queensland for over 10 years. He has been active in the local, national and international levels, involved in many organisations in Southeast Queensland over this time and has presented talks to community groups and Schools at the Brisbane Hebrew Congregation for 12 years.

Ari will speak on his Interfaith journey, sharing thoughts and ideas to make the experience less fraught and shares some of the lessons learnt in the process.

Ari has also been involved in MARS (Men Affected by Rape and Sexual abuse) for 16 years; he has gone from participant to facilitator and has been involved with assisting men from all faith traditions find a way to recovery.

As usual the morning will begin with a time of prayer and reflection in the Lady Chapel at 9.30am before moving to the Darnell Room for the presentation and discussion at 10.15am.

Choral Evensong

Wed. 2nd August
6.00pm



Evensong, a musical and liturgical reflection for the end of the day, occurs not just every Sunday evening but also on the first Wednesday of the month at 6.00pm.

Scheduled release of this month's CCN means that August's monthly 'coral evensong' will be behind us by the time this is read, so make a note for **Wednesday 6th September**.

Please join us for a time of contemplation and beautiful music.

Free morning concert

Thursday 3rd August
11.00am



Queensland Conservatorium: Keyboard performers

In this exciting program of piano repertoire, pianists Imogen Scott-Parker, Hana Hart and Rachael Shipherd played works by Chopin, Tchaikowsky and Liszt. These three performers are among the most advanced in the Con's keyboard department and are among the twenty pianists selected to compete in the prestigious Lev Vlassenko Piano Competition in September 2017.

NEXT free morning concert: Wednesday 23rd August

Walk the Labyrinth

Sunday 6th August
after 9.30am



Labyrinth Walk after the 9.30am Eucharist

Walking the Labyrinth occurs on the first Sunday of each month following the 9.30 am Eucharist. If you have not walked the Labyrinth before, you would be most welcome to join the group who regularly do so. Please join us to walk the Labyrinth – we meet under the Rose Window.

The path is always new, because, as a spiritual discipline, the labyrinth is a path of contemplation, reflection, prayer ... Beneath the surface, walking the labyrinth is a profound discipline in listening, in active silence, in finding movement and rhythm in the stillnesses underneath and in between everyday's noise. Walking the labyrinth is an exercise in finding the voice speaking in whispers underneath the whirlwind of sound.

St John's Cathedral Steeplechase

Sunday 6th August
1.00pm



Are you aged 17-30 and looking for (an achingly) fun way to explore your Christian calling?

If you answered 'yes' you would need to have registered for the 2017 event by 30th July – but not to worry: you can still come along to watch the more energetic amongst us tackle some challenging surprises, to help clarify what God may be saying about life and what to do with it.

After the high-octane event concludes at 3.30pm there will be a FREE afternoon tea in the West End of the Cathedral and plenty of time for questions, chat and meeting new people.

To work up your own sweat, you can watch videos of past events at www.anglicanvocations.org/events/st-johns-steeplechase/

Mystics, Theologians and God-botherers

Sunday 6th August
6.00pm

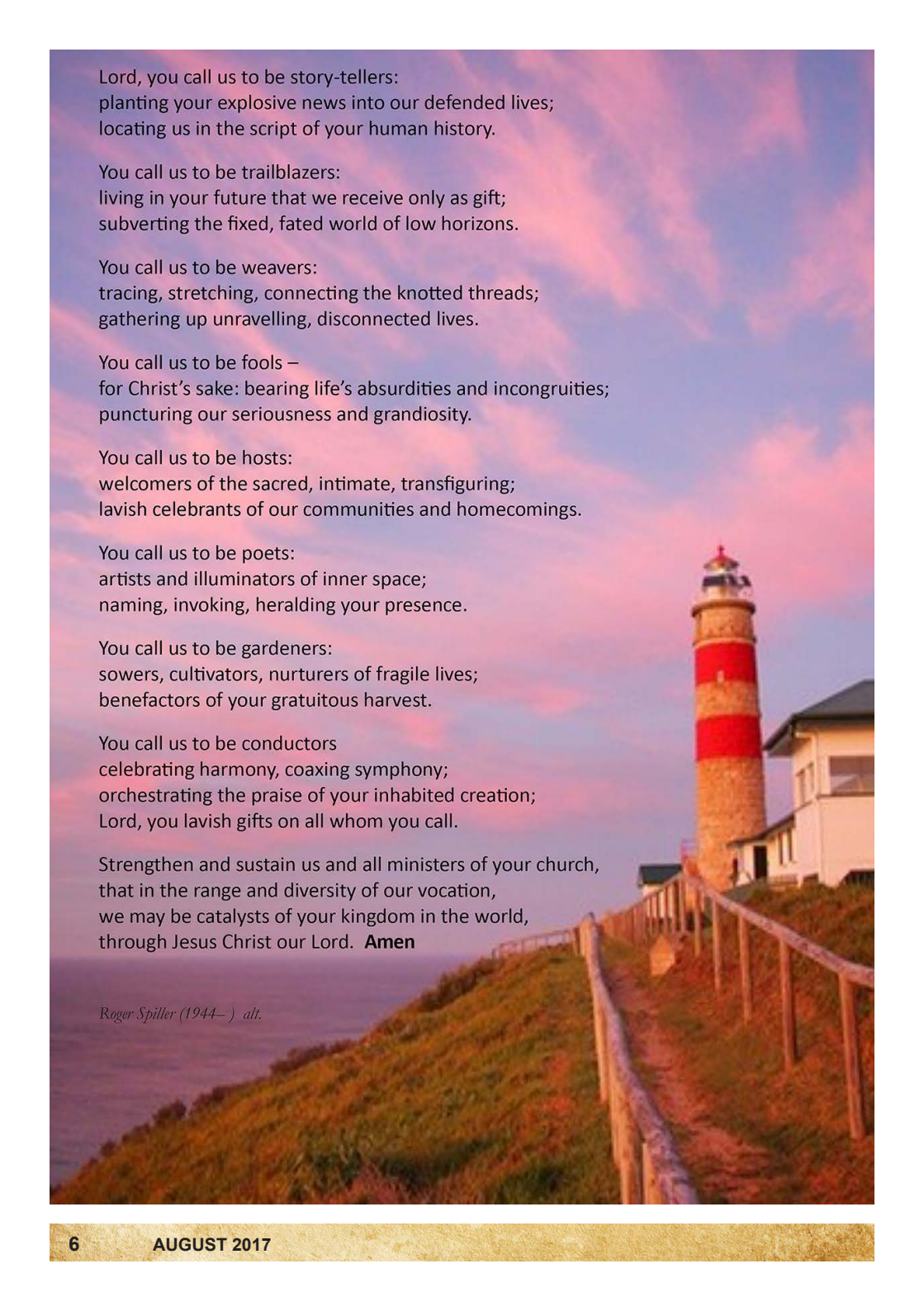


The Venerable Valerie Hoare on Meister Eckhart

Valerie, our guest preacher, will reflect on the writings of Meister Eckhart, a 14th Century German mystic, to explore the idea of integrating our union with God (the way we encounter the mysteries of the spark of the soul and the birth of the Word in our hearts) and our active 21st Century lives. Please join us for the musical meditation of Evensong and stay on afterwards for discussion over refreshments with our guest preacher.

“Whoever possesses God in their being, has him in a divine manner, and he shines out to them in all things; for them all things taste of God and in all things it is God's image that they see.”

Meister Eckhart

A photograph of a lighthouse on a grassy cliffside at sunset. The lighthouse is a tall, cylindrical stone tower with two prominent red horizontal bands. It is situated on a grassy hillside that slopes down towards the sea. A wooden fence runs along the edge of the cliff. The sky is a mix of soft pinks, purples, and blues, indicating the time is either dawn or dusk. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Lord, you call us to be story-tellers:
planting your explosive news into our defended lives;
locating us in the script of your human history.

You call us to be trailblazers:
living in your future that we receive only as gift;
subverting the fixed, fated world of low horizons.

You call us to be weavers:
tracing, stretching, connecting the knotted threads;
gathering up unravelling, disconnected lives.

You call us to be fools –
for Christ’s sake: bearing life’s absurdities and incongruities;
puncturing our seriousness and grandiosity.

You call us to be hosts:
welcomers of the sacred, intimate, transfiguring;
lavish celebrants of our communities and homecomings.

You call us to be poets:
artists and illuminators of inner space;
naming, invoking, heralding your presence.

You call us to be gardeners:
sowers, cultivators, nurturers of fragile lives;
benefactors of your gratuitous harvest.

You call us to be conductors
celebrating harmony, coaxing symphony;
orchestrating the praise of your inhabited creation;
Lord, you lavish gifts on all whom you call.

Strengthen and sustain us and all ministers of your church,
that in the range and diversity of our vocation,
we may be catalysts of your kingdom in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Roger Spiller (1944–) alt.

Sunday 6th August

Raised Up – Honouring our vocation

Fostering Vocation

This year there will once again be a focus on vocation to ordained ministry during the month of August. Resources prepared by the Vocations Task Group are available at www.anglicanvocations.org/

The wonderful prayer of intercession (on the opposite page) can be used by all of us as a reminder that God calls each one of us to do God's work in all facets of our lives.

May we all celebrate and nurture our own and each other's sacred callings.

This year the Archbishop has provided a short video that can be played for Vocation Sunday – available at:

www.anglicanvocations.org/resources/vocations-sunday/

People in ministry often speak about the important role that their fellow Christians played in encouraging them to explore a call to ministry.

These resources are therefore not just aimed at those who themselves feel called but also at those who might discern in others a call to ministry. The material encourages them to act by approaching the person and raising the topic of ordained ministry.

In particular, we would like to encourage suitable persons to attend the Seekers' Day on 2nd September 2017.

Among whom you also are the called of Jesus Christ.

(Romans 1:6)

Our YouTube Channel has an archive of videos about vocations – search for the channel "Anglican Vocations Southern Queensland" or click in through the website. You are encouraged to share material on social media as well:

Twitter

[@VocationSunday](https://twitter.com/VocationSunday)

Facebook

[Anglican Vocations](https://www.facebook.com/AnglicanVocations)

Instagram

[anglicanvocations](https://www.instagram.com/anglicanvocations)



Wed. 9th August
6.00pm



"God beyond boundaries"

On the second Wednesday of each month all are welcome to share in a contemplative Eucharistic service featuring music, poetry and silence. Come and reflect on what it means to listen to the gentle voice of the Spirit and sense the call of the life that is peculiarly your own. Music will again guide us through the liturgy as we encounter God in the stillness, and in the bread and wine.

We will gather around the main altar as our guest pianist and flautist together provide contemplative music and lead us in the songs of Taizé. The service commences at 6.00pm, but those who would like to meditate before are welcome to arrive from 5.30pm to enjoy the silence.

CATHEDRAL RETREAT – FINAL PAYMENTS BY 11th AUGUST

25th – 27th August
2017

Thresholds and Transformations

The Cathedral retreat is now fully subscribed and there are no more places available.

For those attending, final payments should be made at your earliest convenience and at the latest by Friday 11th August.

A letter is available on the literature table for all who have registered for the retreat. This information pack gives further details of the program, the venue, what you should bring and what you can expect.

If you are attending the Retreat and have not yet received this, please contact Sue Wilton.

St John's Cathedral Chorister Scholarships

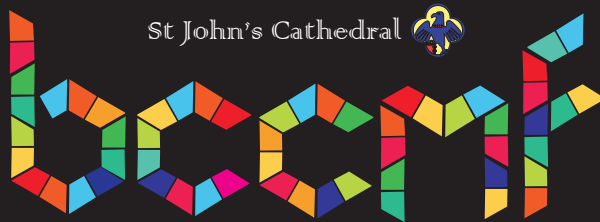


Do you know a young boy who likes to sing?

Boys who sing as treble choristers in the choir of St John's Cathedral receive a half scholarship to the Anglican Church Grammar School (Churchie). We are currently accepting expressions of interest from musical boys in years four and five. The ability to already read music is not necessary.

Being a Cathedral Chorister provides a musical education that is second to none, as boys perform at the highest possible standards each week.

For more information, or to arrange an informal audition, please visit: www.stjohnscathedral.com.au



BRISBANE CONTEMPORARY
CHURCH MUSIC
Festival

2017

Saturday 12th August
7.00pm



BCCMF Director Graeme Morton and Festival Organist Andrej Kouznetsov extend a warm welcome to the 6th annual Brisbane Contemporary Church Music Festival.

Continuing the tradition established in the event's first half-decade, the BCCMF 2017 program offers a rich, colourful and eclectic program of choral and instrumental church music from across the ages in the sublime surrounds of St John's Cathedral.

In 2017, BCCMF also debuts the festival's stunning new brand.

The Festival spans two weekends in August, opening on the 12th with a **7.00pm** concert "Sax & Song" by the Brisbane Chamber Choir, directed by Colleen Guilfoyle and Graeme Morton. For bookings (\$30 / \$20 / school students free) for this concert please visit www.trybooking.com/QARZ

Saturday 19th August
6.00pm



On Sunday 13th, the 9.30am Eucharist and 6.00pm Evensong services feature the Cathedral Choir and all are welcome.

Festival Concert II, at **6.00pm** on Saturday 19th, showcases The Choirs of St John's Cathedral in a performance themed "Songs of Praise & Joy".

Sunday 20th August
2.00pm

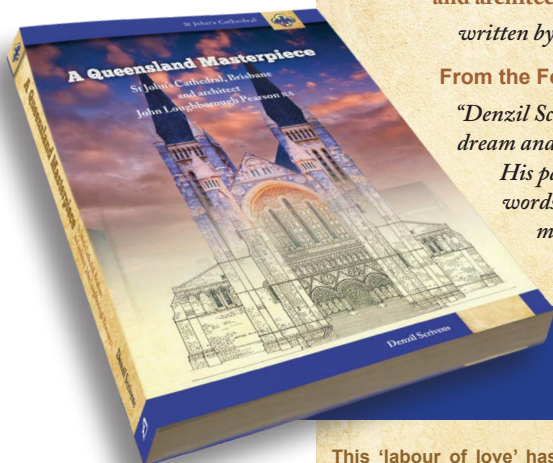


On Sunday 20th, bookended by the Choral Eucharist (9.30am) and Evensong (6.00pm), the third and final concert of the 2017 festival – "Divine Love Songs" – at **2.00pm** features the UQ Chamber Singers, the Mansfield State High School Chorale (directed by Laura Williams) and St Stephen's Schola (directed by James Goldrick).

Tickets for Concerts II and III (\$20 / \$15 each) may be booked at www.trybooking.com – simply search for the concert by name. Bookings made through this website for all three concerts will receive priority seating. Parking is available in the Cathedral Precinct or in Cathedral Square Car Park opposite.

CATHEDRAL BOOK LAUNCH

Sunday 13th August
3.00pm



A Queensland Masterpiece

St John's Cathedral, Brisbane
and architect John Loughborough Pearson RA

written by Cathedral Guide Denzil Scrivens

From the Foreword by The Very Reverend Dr Peter Catt

“Denzil Scrivens has honoured and captured both Pearson's dream and the visitor's experience in this magnificent book.

His painstaking efforts to find the images and then the words to capture the history of the making of Pearson's masterpiece have produced a work that, in its own right, will be one of lasting significance.”

Light refreshments •
Book signings by the author •
Everyone welcome •

STUNNING
NEW BOOK
JUST \$40
More than
150 images
228pp

This 'labour of love' has been more than two years in the making, and has been transformed into a full-colour book, proudly designed and printed in Queensland, thanks to the support of Brisbane City Council's Brisbane History Grants program 2015–16

Richly illustrated with more than 150 images in its 228 pages, this book contains much original research and surveys the story of how the Cathedral was designed and built.

It is a 'must read' for anyone interested in architecture, the design of St John's and the story of how a small outpost of the British Empire in the 19th century succeeded in securing one of the finest Neo-Gothic 'grand designs' in the world.

Proudly supported by Brisbane City Council



Dedicated to a better Brisbane

Household Of Deacons – A Celebration

Sunday 13th August
6.00pm

Deacons play an important role in the life of the church. They are sometimes called the boundary riders of the church, ministering in places at the edges of our wide community, the places where church and community meet.

Our Deacon, The Rev'd Dr Ann Solari, works as a GP in the homeless sector. While many Deacons move later into the order of priests there are those who hold to the diaconate as a life-long call to the ministry of transformative service. Together these important ministers of the gospel make up the household of Deacons.

At Evensong on Sunday 13th August we will be hosting a Diocesan celebration of the Household of Deacons in the presence of the Archbishop, who will be the preacher at this service.

Regional Lay Conferences

Saturday 19th August
9.30am – 4.30pm

On the 19th for the Southern Region at Logan Anglican Church
\$25 (incl. lunch and snacks) register: <https://tinyurl.com/ybk7fh3m>

Saturday 26th August
9.30am – 4.30pm

On the 26th for the Northern Region, North Pine Anglican Church
\$25 (incl. lunch and snacks) register: <https://tinyurl.com/y8c9wf6d>

Building healthy congregations – a training event with Tim Dyer



Church health consultant Tim Dyer is passionate about healthy congregational and parish life, and the processes which create and support parish health. Don't miss this special opportunity to join Tim as he explores key elements of healthy congregations, such as:

- Dynamics of a healthy parish
- Building healthy relationships
- Vision, values and systems
- Moving from where we are to where we want to be.

Whether you are a Parish Councillor, Churchwarden, lay leader or an involved member of a congregation, this training event will equip you to build a healthier congregation for the glory of God.

A flyer is available at http://anglicanchurchsq.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/Lay_conference_brochure_2017.pdf

“FIELDS OF JOY”

Saturday 26th August
9.30am – 12.30pm

A time for prayer and creativity, led by Kerry Holland

The Old Friary, Brookfield Centre for Christian Spirituality,
139 Brookfield Road, Kenmore

*“Let the fields
be jubilant, and
everything in them;
let all the trees
of the forest sing
for joy.”*

Psalms 96:12, NIV

Life can get complicated. This is an opportunity for peace and reflection using some simple art activities, resting in God's love, and trusting that we will notice moments, like wild flowers in a field, surprising us with joy.

Cost \$20, includes morning tea, and bookings are essential.

Please RSVP to Jo on 3878 3348

Monday to Friday, 9.30am – 1.30pm
(except Thursdays 1.00pm – 5.00pm)



REFUGEE AND MIGRANT SUNDAY

Sunday 27th August
2017

PRAYER for MIGRANTS, REFUGEES and ASYLUM SEEKERS

*God, no one is stranger to you
And no one is ever far from
your loving care.*

*In your kindness watch over
migrants, refugees and
asylum seekers,
Those separated from
their loved ones,
Those who are lost
And those who have been
exiled from their homes.*

*Bring them safely to the place
where they long to be,
And help us always to
show your kindness to
strangers and those in need.*

*We ask this through Christ
our Lord, Who too was a
refugee and migrant,
Who travelled to another land
Searching for a home.*

Amen

Refugee and Migrant Sunday is a celebration of the dignity of people who are refugees and migrants and the contribution they have made to life in Australia. It is celebrated by the Churches together on or around the last Sunday of August each year.

Christianity has a long tradition of hospitality. This includes care of family, the individual and care of outsiders. In the Gospel According to Matthew, Jesus commends those who welcomed the outsider and offered food and drink to the hungry and thirsty.

In caring for others they care for him. Through hospitality Christians express God's welcome and presence combined with advocacy for the marginalized and creation of community.

It is an expression of God's overabundant generosity.

The Hebrew Scriptures contain references to Israel as both a pilgrim people and a wandering nation. The experience of the Hebrews as strangers in the land of Egypt fueled the belief that they should offer care to the stranger (or 'alien') from other lands and cultures who came into their midst and God is often identified as the God who cares for the exiled and the stranger – God is a refuge to the poor and the needy, a shelter to those who are away from home (Isaiah 25:1-5).

God brings justice to the oppressed and calls on the people of faith to extend the rights of citizens to refugees in their midst.



MANUS - FOUR YEARS ON //////////////

As we commemorate the fourth anniversary of the Australian Government's use of Manus Island to detain people seeking asylum, Peter Catt reflects on the way the tragic consequences of that decision are seeping into our culture and making the government's position less and less tenable.

The piece was called Reza Barati. Composed by Brooke Green.

With the last sweep of the violinist's bow and as the final drum-beat ushered in a time of profound silence, I knew that something had changed.

We were gathered in QPAC (The Queensland Performing Arts Centre) for a concert featuring the wonderful Camerata: Queensland's Chamber Orchestra. The concert was titled Sanctuary. It was part of the Queensland Music Festival.

Reza Barati, an Iranian Kurd, was murdered on Manus Island on 14 February 2014. He had arrived in Australia seeking asylum in July 2013. Under what has become known as 'The PNG solution' he was sent by Australia to Manus Island. 'The PNG solution' has since been found to be illegal by the PNG High Court. Nearly a year has passed since the declaration of illegality and yet the governments of Australia and PNG persist in using the facility.

When then Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and PNG Prime Minister Peter O'Neill, announced the decision to reopen Manus in July 2013 the UNHCR declared that the policy was likely to be 'harmful to the physical and psycho-social wellbeing of transferees, particularly families and children'.

Reza Barati's fate highlighted just how destructive this decision was.

In the moment of expanding silence in QPAC I could tell that many hearts had been touched. At the after-party the piece and the man after whom it was named were the subject of intense emotional conversation.

Emotions ranged from despair, to anger, from deep sorrow to shame and guilt. The music captured the tragedy and the pathos of Reza's life and death, and compelled the listener to confront the many injustices that had been perpetrated him. A man murdered after seeking sanctuary. A man set up to be destroyed by those who had the power to keep him safe.

Through a concert at QPAC Reza Barati's story has become part of our culture; a story of our moral failure has been captured in music and offered as part of a major festival.

As a result the lamenting over the government's decision not to protect the vulnerable that come to us for help is no longer a marginal activity. It is no longer something done by humans rights at specific vigils, but rather now is played out in one of our cultural play houses; the place where people gather to experience A Winter's Tale, Mary Poppins, jazz, symphonies, Les Miserables and Professor Brian Cox.

With concert-goers being moved to tears the lament is now very much mainstream and the government's insensitivity and failure is being critiqued by what they like to call the sensible centre.

The government no longer has any authority to continue to mistreat people in our name. It is well past the time to bring those incarcerated on Manus and Nauru to Australia for protection and processing.

Peter Catt is Anglican Dean of Brisbane based at St John's Cathedral. He is chair of the Australian Churches Refugee Taskforce, a multi-denominational organisation seeking to influence Australian Refugee and Asylum-seeker policy to make it more compassionate and humane. He is also Chair of the Social Responsibilities Committee for the Anglican Church SQ, and President of A Progressive Christian Voice.

Wed. 30th August
from 5.45pm

What is the Community of Practice?

A small group of people who wish to commit to non-violent ways of being in the world, and are seeking a place to grow in courage, wisdom and commitment to a non-violent way of life in a safe and supportive community.

What does the Community practise?

The group has an interest in social justice and activism, but holds the ethic that the way of peace first begins within ourselves and our closest communities. We spend time together in prayer and discussion of stimulus material (readings or videos) relating to a spirituality of action and non-violence and communicate to support one another between meetings.

When does it gather?

The group has commenced meeting on the third and fifth Wednesday of the month, and so will be gathering again on Wednesday 30th August in St Martin's House. Bring food for a shared meal in the kitchen from 5.45-6.15pm. The meeting follows from 6.15-7.30pm.

Who can join?

All are welcome to join this ecumenical group, and it is particularly for those who wish for a community to support them as they seek to live out their faith in love and non-violence.

Contact Sue Wilton on 0413 108 584 or email swilton@stjohnscathedral.com.au

SOCIAL JUSTICE NEWS – Abundant Justice Conference

Fri. 1st – Sun. 3rd
September

The Social Responsibilities Committee invites you to join us for an event centred around the Anglican Marks of Mission – to do justice, and to care for creation. The gathering aims to foster renewed thinking and dialogue about our complex world, to seek insights into what vision of society the church should be proactively narrating into our culture, and how we might approach these endeavours in practice and in advocacy. All welcome. Further details and registration at <http://doingjustice.org.au/abundant-justice-1-3-september-2017/>

You can also find us on **Instagram** and like us on **Facebook** www.facebook.com/doingjusticeqld/

SEEKERS' DAY

Saturday
2nd September

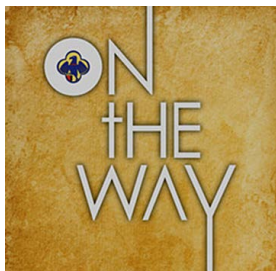
The raising up of future ordained ministers is a key mission challenge for us all. It is the Archbishop's goal to have 16 people enter formation each year.

For Seekers' Day registrations and enquiries, contact Lynette Lamb, PA to Diocesan Director of Ordinands at:

lyn@stjohnsbulimba.org

To this end, the Archbishop is asking all parish leaders for their personal commitment, involvement and action to identify current leaders in their parish who might consider the possibility of ordained ministry, and to encourage such people to attend Seekers' Day on Saturday 2nd September this year. Suitable persons will most likely be currently involved as a layperson in an area of leadership such as Liturgical Assistant, Small Group Leader, Pastoral Visitor or Parish Councillor and be prepared to take a further step as a disciple and consider ordained ministry.

Sun. 3rd September
3.30pm



Podcast 1

The Big Story of God – talking about life and what are the biggest questions.

Podcast 2

Life Beyond Dualism – avoiding an “us and them” mentality.

Podcast 3

God and Gender – explores issues of gender and spirituality.

Podcast 4

Christianity, Islam and the power of friendship – explores the urgency of peace and understanding and working for the common good.

Podcast 5

Science and Religion – just released!

“On the Way” is a series of recorded conversations exploring the deeper mysteries of faith, meaning, and beauty that people from all over the world are able to listen to on their Smartphone or computer.

The podcast invites others who are also “on the way” into conversation; seeking a transformative spirituality and inclusive faith that speaks to real issues of today.

Together in dialogue and storytelling we seek to make meaning and articulate a Christianity that expresses the liberating and life-giving message of the Gospel in our time.

The Sunday Conversations will provide the opportunity for us to explore together the themes raised in the podcasts.

In September, the discussion will explore the second podcast where Dom, Dean Peter and Richard Fay explored the way dualistic thinking traps us into defining our world in binary terms, and how seeking a unitive consciousness can avoid an “us and them” mentality and help us on the way to authentic love and freedom, and to become become who we are created to be.

“On the Way” – podcast number 5 released!

Science and Religion

This latest episode can now be found to download from the iTunes store, or using your preferred podcast App, (including Android). Search by name “On the Way” or “St John’s Cathedral”.

The following Sunday Conversations will be held on:

- 1st October
and
- 5th November

– more information in the September CCN!

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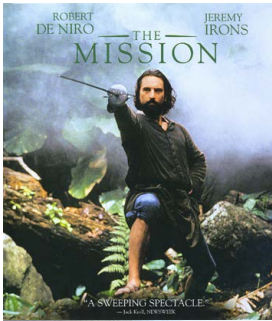
CDs of the podcast are also available on request – please speak to one of the clergy team.

Sun. 10th September
1.00pm



Contemporary film offers a rich source of theological reflection and discussion.

The Divine doesn't only meet us in sacred texts, but human creativity continues to explore the mystery in rich and varied ways and to communicate powerful truths through the arts. The challenge is always open to us to mine the breadth of life's experiences for wisdom and insight. A few times a year the Cathedral will screen a movie in the Darnell Room and allow time for discussion of the themes and issues explored in the film.



In September, we will be screening *The Mission*, a 1986 British period drama film about the experiences of a Jesuit missionary in 18th century South America. Written by Robert Bolt and directed by Roland Joffé, the film stars Robert De Niro, Jeremy Irons and Liam Neeson.

All are welcome to join us for this first event of what will hopefully be a rich way to explore big ideas in the company of good friends.



The Purpose of the Anglican Church

The Five Marks of Mission are an important statement on mission which expresses the Anglican Communion's common commitment to, and understanding of, God's holistic/integral mission.

The Five Marks of Mission are:

- To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
- To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
- To respond to human need by loving service
- To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
- To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth

The first Mark of Mission is really a summary of what all mission is about, because it is based on Jesus' own summary of his mission (Matthew 4:17, Mark 1:14-15, Luke 4:18, Luke 7:22; cf. John 3:14-17).

Instead of being just one (albeit the first) of five distinct activities, this should be the key statement about everything we do in mission.

The Community of St John's Cathedral seeks to honour each of the Marks through the way we live.

The Marks shape our inclusive approach to the building of community and our ministry of welcome, our approach to Christian formation and education, and our active interest in making a difference to the lives of the poor, outcast and vulnerable.

For further on the Marks of Mission please visit

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org/identity/marks-of-mission.aspx>

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SEPTEMBER CCN
DEADLINE

Material for the September 2017 edition – including news of events between Sunday 3rd September and Sunday 15th October should be received **no later than FRIDAY 25th AUGUST**, please.

FORWARD DAY by DAY

MAY | JUNE | JULY 2017



GOING FORWARD WITH YOU AGAIN SOON

Forward Day by Day is a booklet of daily inspirational meditations reflecting on a specific Bible passage, chosen from the daily lectionary readings as listed in the Revised Common Lectionary.

The meditations offer a wide range of witness and experiences and each month's meditation is written by a different author.

The May/June/July edition has proven extremely popular, and *the imminent, next quarterly edition is eagerly anticipated.*

The pocket-sized booklet will be available from the literature table for \$5.00 (simply place your payment in the donation box).

Christian Meditation Group

Tuesdays
at 6.45pm

Meditation on Tuesdays is held in the Lady (North) Chapel when the cathedral is available, or in St Martin's House.

Come at 6.45pm for meditation or come earlier, bring food and share a meal with the group who gather anytime from 5.30pm in the kitchen of St Martin's House. Please come to the Darnell Room corner entrance and press the passageway buzzer.

New members are always most welcome. For more information about Christian meditation please go to <http://wccm.org> or contact Sue Wilton via the Cathedral Office.

May the silence of this place be a power to open the hearts of men and women to the vision of God, and so to each other, in love and peace, justice and human dignity.

~ From the prayer of the World Community for Christian Meditation

EARN & LEARN

Until Tuesday
19th September



For the past few years, the Cathedral community has collected the Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers, which are passed on to Brisbane Central State School. BCSS Business Manager Carolina Duncan:



BRISBANE CENTRAL

"In previous years you have granted our small State School permission to place a Woolworths Earn and Learn collection box in the Cathedral. Your staff advertised this information to your parishioners and they in turn gratefully placed stickers into this box enabling our school to collect over \$2,000 worth of equipment. We are again seeking your permission for this box to be placed into your church."

The collection period is from 26th July to 19th September 2017.

The collection box is located near the literature table. How many stickers we can contribute this year?



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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA QLD'S 6TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE LECTURE

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US IN CELEBRATING
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE 2017.

Peace is transcendent to religions, borders, ethnicity and age. This is a time to unite and remember the freedom we enjoy through peace. Your presence is important – by uniting together we can show support for the cessation of hostilities around the world.

> DETAILS

WHEN: 21st September 2017, 7 pm - 9:00 pm.

WHERE: St John's Cathedral, 373 Ann St, Brisbane

GUEST SPEAKER: Professor Henry Reynolds

PERFORMANCE: Brisbane Combined Unions Choir.

PROFESSOR HENRY REYNOLDS AUSTRALIA'S UNNECESSARY WARS

Henry Reynolds FAHA, FASSA (born 1 March 1938) is an eminent Australian historian whose primary work has focused on the frontier conflict between European settlers in Australia and indigenous Australians.

In more than ten books and numerous academic articles Reynolds has demonstrated the results of his meticulous research and explained the high level of violence and conflict involved in the colonisation of Australia, and the Aboriginal resistance to numerous massacres of indigenous people. Reynolds, and other historians, estimate that up to 3,000 Europeans and at least 20,000 indigenous Australians were killed directly in the frontier violence, and many more Aborigines died indirectly through the introduction of European diseases and starvation caused by being forced from their productive tribal lands.

His books are based on a vast stock of evidence, available in archives and recorded during frontier times, and have been instrumental in overturning previously held views prevalent in the late 20th Century that settlement was peaceful.



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SYNOD SOUP, ANYONE?

Fri. 22nd September
From 5.30pm

The Synod of the Diocese of Brisbane is our church parliament, where church laws may be passed, and the health and work of this part of the Anglican Church of Australia is reviewed and strengthened.

Synod is comprised of the Archbishop (who is the President of Synod), the ordained clergy, two representatives elected by each parish and a number of diocesan appointments (for example the Chancellor of the diocese). The representatives elected by the Cathedral congregation are Alan Gallimore and Chris Gourlay.

In recent years, the Cathedral community provided refreshments to those attending the service from 5.30pm (many travel long distances to attend Synod); our soup, crusty bread and a drink have been very popular and most gratefully received.

We are again offering to do this and hope that many in our community will be able to assist. Volunteers to help prepare the soup, set up and serve on the night as well as to clear away after are eagerly sought. Please speak with a Cathedral Council member if you'd like to be part of this or contact us via e-mail:

cathedralcouncil@stjohnscathedral.com.au



BUS TRIP REPORT

21st–22nd June



Sue Wilson, Priest-in-charge in Maryborough; Rev'd Andrea Maslin, Honorary Deacon, Maryborough; Rev'd Keith Dean-Jones, Rector Bundaberg Christ Church Parish; Rev'd Karen Allen Bundaberg, Assistant Curate; Retired Rev'd Robert Perry Bundaberg and The Very Rev'd Dr Peter Catt, Dean of St. John the Evangelist's Cathedral, Brisbane, guest speaker on the issues of Science and Religion.

The Cathedral came to the country on an organised tour by Mr and Mrs John and Daisy Cameron via St Augustine's, Hamilton and Nambour's St John the Baptist Anglican Churches on Wednesday, 21st June 2017.

The passengers enjoyed beautiful scenery and Christian fellowship and hospitality from the Gympie Men's Shed and old Train Station complimented by historic cars. The journey was blessed by lunch from St Paul's Anglican Church, Maryborough and a bell-ringing demonstration from the magnificent bell tower there. A brief tour of Mary Poppins' original city was included.

Bundaberg's Anglican Christ's Church welcomed the Cathedral guests with a dinner and lecture by the Dean on the correlation between Science and Religion. The thought-provoking presentation expanded the ideas behind the theory and practice and strengthened the value of both.

Bargara, Bundaberg's Rum Distillery and Hervey Bay ensued the next day highlighting the best of every area and bringing a sweet end to a most enjoyable tour of some of the far reaches of the diocese.

With kind regards and Christian love

Michael Flick

Cathedral parishoner and tour passenger

August

Tapestry cushion exhibition

Did you note the designer of 'Androids' for last month was Rhyll Hinwood, the same person who is making the West End statues? This month we resume a look at God's creation by rejoicing in fish, birds and animals found in Queensland.

Wednesdays

English conversation classes

Every Wednesday 2.00pm to 3.00pm we host English conversation classes in the Darnell Room, in which our wonderful team of volunteers assist people who would like to practice their English speaking skills. We are also seeking more volunteers to help. You don't need any special qualifications at all, just a patient and friendly demeanour and the urge to help others. Please contact the Cathedral Office on 3835 2222 if you feel you may be able to give of yourself in this way.

PLEASE NOTE: no class on Wednesday 16th August (the 'Ekka' public holiday)

Flower Guild

The Flower Guild hopes you enjoy the floral decorations in the Cathedral. If you would like to join the Flower Guild and help do the flowers in the Cathedral on a one Friday morning a month rotation, or just as a reserve, please be assured you will be most welcome. Just contact Eleanor on 3870 3873.



CHILD PROTECTION



In keeping with the Diocesan Professional Standards and Cathedral policy, I advise that the Protocol for Dealing with Sexual Misconduct is available via the following link:

<http://anglicanchurchsq.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Protocol-for-Dealing-with-Sexual-Misconduct2.pdf>

Copies of the brochure *What happens when I make a complaint?* are available from the literature stand.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to see me. If you would like a printed copy of the Protocol, please contact Lisa Clarke by email – lclarke@stjohnscathedral.com.au – or by telephoning 3835 2239.

The Dean



Volunteers sought

**Do you love the Cathedral? Do you like meeting people?
Are you looking for something different to do?**

If you said yes to any of these questions here's an idea: become a Shop Volunteer! St John's Cathedral Shop is looking for enthusiastic people to work in our Shop. Experience is not a prerequisite – we offer all the training you could need. The Shop operates Monday to Saturday from 9.30am to 2.30pm and on Sunday between the services in the morning and until 2.00pm in the afternoon. It is a requirement that all volunteers are eligible to apply for a Blue Card. If you would like to join the team, please contact Jacki or Jan on 3835 2222 or email jscott@stjohnscathedral.com.au

Keeping the Community together

We have a number of Cathedral members who find it difficult (even impossible) to get to the Cathedral on Sunday for want of transport.

We are therefore looking for people who would be willing to give a lift to someone who lives in their area. We are aware that providing such a ministry can be daunting because sometimes our plans need to change. Any such offer would be accepted on the understanding that a last minute cancellation would be both understandable and acceptable. If you would be willing to be part of this ministry please make your offer known to a warden or the clergy.



Holy Trinity Parish Pantry

Don't forget that the Cathedral community collects food for The Holy Trinity Parish Pantry at Fortitude Valley.

Key items needed include: long life milk, processed cheese slices, toilet paper, jam (any flavour), canned fruit 400g, tinned stew, two-minute noodles, tinned tomatoes (whole or diced), tinned beans, peas and carrots, peas and corn etc 400g size, pasta sauce, pasta (spaghetti, dried pasta spirals, macaroni, etc), biscuits, canned tuna, baked beans 400g size, tinned spaghetti 400g size, vegemite small, sugar, rice, coffee, breakfast cereal.



Lady Chapel Sanctuary Lamp – In Memoriam

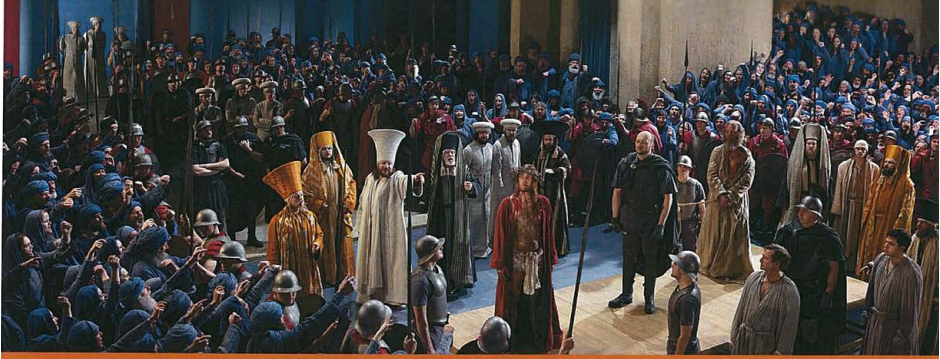
The lamp in the Lady Chapel holds a seven day candle. This gives an opportunity to offer the candle as it burns for a whole week (Sunday to Saturday) in thanksgiving for the life and love of a family member(s) who have died. The cost is \$10.

An acknowledgment – *This week the sanctuary lamp in the Chapel of our Lady and the Holy Innocents shines in memory of [Name] and in thanksgiving for their life and love. A gift from [Name] (Optional) – will occur in service notes on the Sunday the week commences.*

If you would like to reserve the candle for a particular week please contact the Cathedral office with names, date and payment.



The Passion Play 2020



Oberammergau

A play of life and death, promised in a moment of mortal threat - so began the history of the Oberammergau Passion Play in 1633. In the middle of the Thirty Years War, after months of suffering and death from the plague, the Oberammergauers swore an oath that they would perform the "Play of the Suffering, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ" every ten years. At Pentecost 1634, they fulfilled their pledge for the first time on a stage they put up in the cemetery above the fresh graves of the plague victims.

In the year 2020, the Community of Oberammergau will perform the Passion Play they have preserved throughout the centuries with singular continuity for the 42nd time.



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This tour will be fully escorted by Reverend Canon Richard Tutin and his wife Jennifer who have escorted groups to the Passion Play previously and are keen to make the opportunity of this Christian pilgrimage available to others. At this stage we are registering expressions of interest for a departure in June 2020. As the passion play is always a sellout event and tickets are only available through group bookings, early registration is the key to priority access to this unique and moving experience. Registration can be made through the organizing travel agency, Travel & Cruise Bundaberg.



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Mon–Sat 9.30am–4.30pm

Sunday 7.00am–7.00pm



Guides available every day

Group tours by appointment

Phone (07) 3835 2222

Email (*tours, bookings, enquiries*)

cathedral@stjohnscathedral.com.au



Suggested donation

\$5.00 per person, thank you

Access



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• Parking meters on Ann Street

11.00am–2.00pm



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• Central Station 300m

(5min walk)



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for public transport info



Disabled access

• via South Transept

and northeast door

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Mon–Sat 9.30am–2.30pm

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Worship



Sundays

Holy Communion

7.30am, with hymns

5.00pm, Southern Chapels

Choral Eucharist

9.30am, Cathedral choir

*Children's Ministry included
in 9.30am Choral Service*

Choral Evensong

6.00pm, Cathedral choir

or Cathedral singers

Choral Matins

5th Sunday 9.30am



Weekdays, Saturdays

Holy Communion

7.00am, Monday-Saturday

12.30pm, Monday-Friday

Morning Prayer

8.30am, Monday-Friday

Evening Prayer

4.00pm, Monday-Friday

Choral Evensong

1st Wednesday 6.00pm

Contemplative Eucharist

2nd Wednesday 6.00pm

*Cathedral Music and Concert
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available on
our website.*

