BAPTISM

St Paul's Ashgrove, 15 November 2026

HYMNS: SPBH 4; TiS 164; TiS 490; TiS 687; *As Provided*

READINGS	**THIS WEEK** *Oscar's Baptism*	**NEXT WEEK** *Christ the King*
FIRST READING	Isaiah 43.1-3a, 4a	Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24
PSALM	Ps 84. 1-7, 12	Ps 100
SECOND READING	Ephesians 4.1-6	Ephesians 1.15-23
GOSPEL	Mark 1.9-11	Matthew 25.31-46

We acknowledge the custodians of the land where we gather today - the Jagera and Turrbal people.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH *43.1-3a,4a*

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. You are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you. For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

PSALM *84. 1-7, 12*

1 How lovely is your dwelling-place:
O Lord God of hosts!
2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord:
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
3 The sparrow has found her a home,
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
even your altar, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
4 Blessed are those who dwell in your house:
they will always be praising you.
5 Blessed are those whose strength is in you:
in whose heart are the highways to Zion;
6 Who, going through the valley of dryness,
find there a spring from which to drink:
till the autumn rain shall clothe it with blessings.
7 They go from strength to strength:
they appear, every one of them, before the God of gods in Zion.
12 O Lord God of hosts:
blessed are those who put their trust in you.

EPHESIANS *4.1-6*

Paul said: 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.

BELOVED CHILD, BELOVED COMMUNITY

1. Hear well this good news, trust the word spoken,
Receive a new name, become my own:
you are Beloved, precious and chosen,
with you I'm well pleased to make my home.

2. Born of the Spirit, tempered and tested,
washed in the water, forgiveness known.
Blessed and anointed with grace unmeasured,
you are Beloved, my child, my own.

3. Sisters and brothers, neighbours and strangers,
serve one another in harmony.
You are beloved children together
in a beloved community

4. Go forth in my name, show forth my kindness,
renew the good earth through works of love.
Peace be among you that is the witness:
my Spirit with you, sent from above.

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INTRODUCING OUR NEW PRIEST

Rev'd Richard Butler will be commissioned as Priest in Charge on Sunday afternoon, 29 November 2026 at 3:00pm. His first service will be at St Paul's at 8:30am on 6 December 2026. Richard is currently the Assistant Curate in the Parish of Warwick. Our thanks go to Sarah, David, and Gill for their careful and prayerful recruitment efforts on our behalf.

Prayer for Rev'd Richard

God our Shepherd,
We thank you for calling Richard to serve in this Parish as Priest-in-Charge.
Uphold Richard and John as they prepare to relocate,
and prepare us to receive and welcome them.
Equip and strengthen Richard for his ministry and leadership in the years ahead,
that together we can build a flourishing, faithful community,
and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit in all we do.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Please remember to wear your name tags. We have several new faces who would love some help remembering names. If you need a name tag, please leave a message in the "Notices" box or tell a "Welcomer".

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✨ ✨ GOODNA PANTRY MONTH ✨ ✨

Please leave donations (non-perishable) with Natalie in the parish office
Wednesdays & Fridays 9.30 to 1.30pm. Thank you!

📣 **2027 Lectionaries have arrived**! For those who usually purchase a copy, please see Natalie in the parish office. $16.50 each

📣 Parvin and her son are desperately looking for a place to rent. Please contact Robyn

29 Nov	**COMMISSIONING SERVICE** of Rev'd Richard Butler – Sunday, 3:00pm at St Paul's. Please bring a plate for afternoon tea 🕯️
30 Nov	**BOOKCLUB** meets again! The final meeting for 2026 will take place in a restaurant. More details soon. November's novel *is Mrs Harris Goes to Paris* by Paul Gallico.
05 Dec	**THE WESTSIDE ORCHESTRA** – Saturday, 5:00pm. Celebration! Tickets available via Humanitix. Please see the posters for the QR code.
06 Dec	**SUNDAY SERVICE** – Sunday, 8:30am. Rev'd Richard Butler's first service at St Paul's. All welcome!

JUBILEE TERRACE PLAYGROUP – Weekly on a Friday from 9:30-11:30am during school terms. $4 per week to cover cost. Registered Playgroup with Play Matters.

BIBLE STUDY AND MORNING PRAYER – Prayer at 9:30am and Bible Study at 10:00am during school terms. Currently reading Hebrews. Everyone welcome!

THRIFT SHOP – Open Wednesdays and Saturdays 9:00am-1:00pm. New volunteers are always welcome. Donations of clothing and kitchenware (no electrical goods, furniture baby carriers or knives, please) are gratefully received.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the people in Iran, and all in the Middle East, for those in Nepal and Tibet, and those in Australia concerned for their family and friends living there. We give our thanks for the life of Marilyn, and pray Fiona and family. Please pray for Jack and Kathy, Tony P, Vanessa, Macey, Bill; Matthew (and mother, Sue), Rob and Andrea, Georgia, Sue J, and Maureen. Please pray for our friends at LAMB and surrounds, and for the country of Bangladesh.

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