



ather Paul writes – 10th of August 2025

Feast of Title

I welcome you and especially Bp Sophie Relf-Christopher as our celebrant and preacher for our “Feast of Title” Service, otherwise known as our Patronal Festival. Most churches are named after a saint, but St Saviour is named in honour of Jesus, hence the name “Feast of Title” for the service today. It will also be an occasion where Polly Kasprazak will be strengthened by the Holy Spirit through confirmation. We welcome her sponsor, her family and her friends. We also welcome all of you including the State Member for Bragg, Jack Batty and his wife Charlotte. Please stay for the special morning tea following the service.

This afternoon at 2 pm, the Metropolitan Male Choir will perform in the church as part of our Feast of Title celebrations. The choir will sing from a selection of classical, religious, secular and pop genres. Pianist, Jonathon Wong will be a supporting artist, along with a violinist. Tickets are just 25-dollars; 20-dollars concession. They can be booked through Clive Waters today. Alternatively, tickets will be available at the door before the concert.

The AGM of the St Saviour’s Cemetery will be held on Wednesday after the 10 am Eucharist at 10.45 am in the Choir Room. The meeting is an opportunity to learn more about the cemetery and to address the issues related to it, to organise a date for the annual working bee and the annual memorial service. All are welcome.

I also encourage you to register for a conference which encourages all of us to share our faith with others, particularly our grandchildren. The National Grandparents Conference at St Paul’s Anglican Church in Castle Hill in Sydney will be simulcast at St Saviour’s on Saturday, the 23rd of August between 8.30 am and 4 pm. It does not mean you have to attend all day but to be able to hear some of the speakers

when you can. For those who do register and not able to be there all day, the conference will be uploaded so that you can watch it later. Registration is just 25-dollars which includes refreshments. You can register on the sheet at the back of the church or by contacting me on

0412 320 375.

On Sunday the 24th of August, the Rev'd Dr Joan Riley, the Principal of St Barnabas Theological College will be our guest preacher as part of Vocations Month in the Diocese. St Barnabas College along with the diocese is dedicating the month to raising awareness of vocations to lay and ordained ministry in our churches and Anglican communities. The services on the Sunday will also celebrate St Bartholomew who was called by Jesus to be one of his disciples.

On Tuesday the 2nd of September at 6 pm, the ABM will hold the annual Martyrs Day Service at St Cuthbert's, Prospect. The Eucharist will honour the memory of the Martyrs of Papua New Guinea including Lila Lashmar, a parishioner at St Cuthbert's, before she became a missionary teacher in PNG and who was subsequently martyred in 1942. The ABM Education Missioner, the Rev'd Canon Steve Daughtry will preach and I as the Chair of the ABM Provincial Committee will preside. Students from Lashmar House at St Columba's College will offer the prayers. The service will be followed by supper. There will be an opportunity to donate to the Martyrs Gift which offers practical support to strengthen the work of the Anglican Church of PNG.

Next month, St Saviour's will take part again in the Season of Creation. The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration where we unite to pray and protect our common home. The theme for the Season of Creation 2025 is peace with creation, based on Isaiah 32: 14-18. The prophet Isaiah pictured the desolation of Creation without peace, because of the lack of justice and the broken

relationship between people and God. This description of devastated cities and wastelands reveals how human destructive behaviours have a negative impact on the Earth. We will specifically celebrate the Season of Creation on Sunday September the 7th.

On Saturday the 20th of September, the Diocese of Adelaide is hosting a gathering of encouragement with Christian author, journalist and columnist, Julia Baird. The event will be held at Memorial Hall in St Peter's College at 11.30 am and will include a light lunch. Her topic will be "God in the modern age". Even though it is a free event, bookings are essential. To book, use the QR code on the advertisement on the notice board or take one of the posters and follow the link.

Your friend and priest,

Paul