



Diocesan E-Bulletin

Anglican Diocese of Perth Newsletter

25 Aug 2026

Upcoming Events

Parish Services and Events



Fathers' Day Brunch and Stalls

Saturday 29 August 2026 - 11.00am - 1.00pm

St Andrew's Church

2 Camberley Street, Thornlie

Come and enjoy brunch and browse our stalls. Father's Day Gifts, cakes, plants, craft, books, face painting, and activities for children. Part proceeds to Mission Aviation Fellowship

Brunch \$5 per person. For further information please contact
The Revd Rae Reinertsen at: priest.standrews@gmail.com | 9493 5090



Taizé at St Christopher's

Sunday 30 August 2026 - 6.30pm

St Christopher's

Parish of Bicton-Attadale

120 Waddell Road, Bicton

You are warmly invited to our Taizé Service! A peaceful, reflective time of prayer, music and silence. This service offers:

- Simple, repetitive chants to that help quieten the mind
- Times of silent Prayer and reflection
- Scripture Readings
- Candlelit atmosphere that encourages calm and contemplation

For further info please call: 08 9317 1251

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DISCOVERIES IN BIBLICAL STUDIES

In his farewell lecture, top New Testament scholar, Dr Bart Erhman discussed what he considered the most important discovery in Biblical Studies. Since then other scholars have been asked to name theirs.

This workshop reviews their answers, the implications of those answers and how these new understandings can help our faith and unfoldment in God.

- The Bible as **COLLECTION** of different books and voices.
- The history of the composition of the Gospels.
- The 1945 Nag Hammadi find of 'lost' Gospels and sacred literature.
- The 1947 find of the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Qumran Community contemporary with Jesus
- The Quest for the Historical Jesus – what history, archeology and other disciplines can and cannot tell us about Jesus.

Saturday 5 September, 2pm ~ 4.30pm

ST CUTHBERT'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Cnr Darlington and Hillsden Roads, Darlington
PLEASE RSVP: info@hillsanglicans.com



The Most Significant Discoveries in Biblical Studies

Saturday 5 September 2026 - 2.00pm - 4.30pm

St Cuthbert's Anglican Church

Corner of Darlington and Hillsden Roads, Darlington

Recently several of THE TOP scholars in biblical studies were asked to name what they considered the most significant discovery.

This workshop reviews their answers, the implications of those answers and how these new understandings can help our faith and unfoldment in God. These include: The Bible as **COLLECTION** of different books; the lost' Gospels and other sacred literature; and the Dead Sea Scrolls contemporary with Jesus.

Entry by Donation. All are welcome.

Please rsvp to: info@hillsanglicans.com



Spring High Tea

Saturday 5 September 2026 - 2.00pm - 4.30pm

St Christopher's Memorial Hall

120 Waddel Road, Bicton

Come and join us for an afternoon of fun, laughter and surprises. Kick off the afternoon with a welcome glass of Bubbly and enjoy a sumptuous High Tea.

Please note this is a 'ticket only' event. No door sales will be accepted on the day. **Bookings will close on Sunday 30 August.** Please advise of any special dietary requirements when booking. To book Tickets please contact Glenys on: prino@optusnet.com.au | 0419 916 948



Fundraiser Concert

Presented by Ascension Church and Community Chamber Collective

Saturday 5 September at 2.30pm

Ascension Church

8 Spring Park Road, Midland

Come and join us as Ascension Connection and the Community Chamber Collective are hosting a concert to raise funds for the work they do. There will be something for everything in this programme of light classics mixed with contemporary popular music.

Refreshments for sale during Intermission

Tickets: Standard \$30 | Concession \$25. Book your tickets here:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1611331>



Annual Organ Concert

Sunday 13 September 2026 at 3.00pm

St John's Anglican Church

11 Wellington Street, Northam

Join us for a concert showcasing the magnificent 100-year-old pipe organ in the church of St John the Evangelist, Northam. Featuring Dominic Perissinotto on the organ and Eva-Marie Perissinotto on the Soprano. Proudly sponsored by the Shire of Northam.

Bookings via Trybooking: www.trybooking.com/au/event/1627918



ST HILDA'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, PARISH OF NORTH PERTH

CHORAL EVENSONG

Creating Net Zero Diamonds...
Address: Professor Peter Newman AO
Professor of Sustainability, Curtin University

13 SEPTEMBER
SUNDAY
5:00 PM

The Chapel Choir
directed by John Beaverstock



A Contemplative Eucharist for

ST HILDEGARD OF BINGEN



Thursday 17 September, 6.30pm

St Cuthbert's
Cur Darlington and Hillsden Roads,
Darlington info@hillsanglicans.com

A Contemplative Eucharist to Celebrate Saint Hildegard

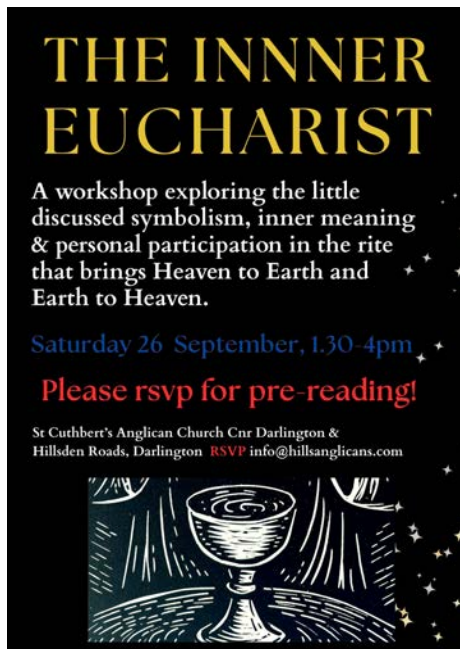
Thursday 17 September 2026 - 6.30pm

St Cuthbert's Anglican Church

Corner of Darlington and Hillsden Roads, Darlington

Hildegard was 12th century German music, polymath, visionary writer, composer, and pioneer in natural history and medicine. She is one of the only four women 'Doctors' of the Church and is inspirational for many contemporary women and nature mystics seeking a path to the divine often overlooked in the church. All are welcome to this slow, reflective and contemplative mass in her honour.

Free Entry. For more information, please contact info@hillsanglicans.com



The Inner Eucharist

Saturday 26 September 2026 -1.30pm - 4.00pm

St Cuthbert's Anglican Church

Corner of Darlington and Hillsden Roads, Darlington

For many people the Sunday Eucharist or Mass is either pretty mystifying or simply something we do, without real knowledge of why we 'do it' – doing it by rote or by habit. Often, we have not been taught the deep and beautiful meaning behind the ceremony itself and, more importantly, how we may personally participate in the meaning.

Open to everyone of any faith or denomination or none. **Entry by Donation.** Please contact info@hillanglicans.com for registration and pre-reading.



Arboria Chamber Music Festival

Saturday and Sunday 3-4 October 2026

St Barnabas, Kalamunda

Kalamunda Perth Hills

Please join us for the Arboria Chamber Music Festival as it cultivates deeply felt musical connections, branching across generations through shared listening and expression.

Tickets can be booked here: arboriafestival.org.au

Diocesan and Other Events

Understanding the Real Paul

***The Council for Catholic Women Perth
Welcomes All***

Join Dr Michele Connolly RSJ explore in depth the life and influence of St Paul the Apostle.

Dr Michele Connolly RSJ is a renowned scripture scholar and theologian, who has lectured in New Testament at the Catholic Institute of Sydney for 25 years.



Friday 4 September 2026 - 6.30pm - 8pm
Parish of Bicton-Attadale
St Christopher's - 120 Waddell Road, Bicton

Dr Michele Connolly will give an overview of the life and the influence of the real St Paul. She will talk about the historical Saul of Tarsus and how his conversion led to his radical vision of God in Christ. Focus will be on his letter to the Romans, which he entrusted to Phoebe to deliver and explain.

Entry by Donation. Light refreshments at 6.00pm before start

Saturday 5 September 2026 - 9.00pm - 3.00pm
James Nestor Hall Catholic Education Office
50 Ruislip Street, West Leederville

Dr Michele Connolly will facilitate a workshop that will explore in depth the life and influence of Paul the Apostle: the historical Paul – how Saul of Tarsus went from persecutor of the Jews following Jesus to Paul the Apostle; his radical vision of God in Christ; his seven authentic letters that illustrate this vision, with reference to his letter to the Romans; and his relationship with women.

Entry by Donation. Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP by Wednesday 2 September to: kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com | 0400 886 835

History of the Oratory of the Good Shepherd



**Thursday 10 September 2026
5 pm - 7 pm
St Basils Anglican Parish**

You are invited to hear **The Reverend Ronald Henderson OGS** speak about history of the Oratory of the Good Shepherd in Australia, the aspirations and values of its founders in 1913, and the Oratory's foundational **Seven Notes**.

The Oratory is an international Anglican religious community of celibate priests, lay companions and priest associates, alongside the Community of the Good Shepherd for women. Members commit to a disciplined life of prayer and mutual support, while living and working separately and gathering regularly for local, national and international fellowship. The Visitor to the Oratory is the **former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams**. The Oratory has chapters across Britain and Europe, North America, South Africa and Australia.

Register online: www.trybooking.com/DPBR5



New Parish Councillor Workshop

Saturday 12 September 2026 - 9.00am - 12.00pm

Wollaston Theological College

5 Wollaston Road, Mt Claremont

This workshop is aimed at first-time Parish Councillors, or those who have attended one of these workshops before.

Coffee and Tea on arrival, morning tea will also be provided.

Registrations from 8.30am. [Register online](#)

If you need assistance to register, please contact 08 9425 7270 or info@wollaston.edu.au



Doing Theology Together - Bible 101

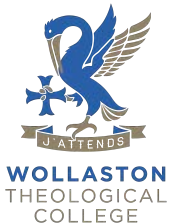
Thursday 1 October 2026 - 10.30am - 3.30pm

Wollaston Theological College

5 Wollaston Rd, Mt Claremont

Curious about the Bible but unsure where to begin? Bible 101 is a day long event designed for beginners, offering an accessible introduction to the Bible as a historical, literary, and theological text.

Led by Meg Warner (Hebrew Bible) and Robert Myles (New Testament). The day combines engaging presentations with lively discussion to illuminate the bible in new and exciting ways. You'll also explore some of the interpretative tool's scholars use to make sense of scripture today.



Cost of \$25 includes lunch

For more information visit: perth.anglican.org/news-and-events/events/doing-theology-together-bible-101

Contact Lee-Ann Dickson at: 08 9425 7270 | info@wollaston.edu.au



Tree of Life
Centre for Christian Belief, Spirituality
and Australian Culture
Wollaston College



2026 IGNATIAN RETREAT

Monday 28 September – Sunday 4 October

Tree of Life offers an annual 7-day Silent Ignatian Retreat, where retreatants can experience the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises. The Exercises invite people into a profound experience of finding God in all things. They have a dynamic that frequently evokes deep conversion and a renewed sense of coming home to oneself, often illuminating how you will live out your life of faith. The retreat invites people to engage their journey of faith, and to deepen God's life in them, by becoming present to the Divine through times of praying with scripture and other spiritual readings, journalling, and daily spiritual direction. Art materials are provided for those who want to engage creatively, and walking around the grounds of St John of God Retreat Centre and along the beach provides spaces for reflection in creation and wonder with God. The intentional time to pray, wander, or sit and contemplate God soothes busy hearts and gently invites a quiet noticing of the Spirit's presence in nature; the song of a bird; the leaves of a tree; the colour of a flower; the touch of the sun or wind. What was always there is seen and felt again as if for the first time!

The daily rhythm of prayer, Eucharist, and spiritual direction provides a comforting structure that holds one in the silence and allows space for the deep, abiding presence of the Divine to be felt and known in the everydayness of our lives, meeting God as ever-present in all things.

If this sounds like something you would like to experience, contact:
The Revd Judy Van Rossum at judithaclay1@bigpond.com

"Nothing is more practical than finding God,
that is, than falling in love in a quite absolute, final way.
What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination,
will affect everything.
It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning,
what you do with your evenings, how you spend your
weekends, what you read, whom you know, what breaks
your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude.
Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything."

Joseph Whelan, SJ



Statue of St Ignatius (thepioneerwijhs.com)

You're Invited!

Free online Information Session

Footsteps of St Paul & the 7 Churches of Revelation Pilgrimage 2027



Hosted by Fr Chris Bedding

FREE INFO SESSION | Monday 26 October | 5pm AWST / 8pm AEST

Join us online to learn about this amazing
16-day spiritual & Cultural journey to Türkiye.
Discover the itinerary, costs, and what to expect.
Ask any questions you have about the pilgrimage.
No obligation — just join the remote session and find out more!

**Christian
Pilgrimage**

To Register here click here or scan QR code ►

christianpilgrimage.com.au | 1300 74 54 74



Season of Creation 2026

Services Across the Diocese

Anglican
EcoCare
Diocese of Perth



The Anglican EcoCare Commission encourages the celebration of our environment through the Season of Creation. We thank the parishes and ministry communities listed below for embracing this initiative and helping bring a particular focus to Creation throughout the season. Through the themes of Air, Forest, Ocean and River, these services provide an opportunity to reflect on the Fifth Mark of Mission: to strive to safeguard the integrity of Creation and sustain and renew the life of the Earth. The season concludes on 4 October with a service marking the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. We hope you can join us for one or more of these services.

Season of Creation Services

Sunday 6 September

Air

Wollaston Chapel, Mt Claremont
Led by the theological students of
Wollaston Theological College
2.00pm

Sunday 13 September

Forest

St Cuthbert's, Darlington
The Revd Peregrin Campbell-Osgood
9.00am

Sunday 20 September

Ocean

St Brendan's by the Sea,
Warnbro
The Revd Lloyd D'Souza
10.30am

Sunday 27 September

River - A service celebrating Living Water

Holy Trinity Church, York
The Revd Canon Dr Philip Raymont
2.00pm

Sunday 4 October

Feast of St Francis of Assisi

St David's, Ardross
The Reverend Frank Sheehan OAM
9.00am

Resources and Further Information

For more information about the Anglican Communion's Season of Creation initiative, including worship, study and advocacy resources, visit: [Season of Creation - The Anglican Communion Office](#)

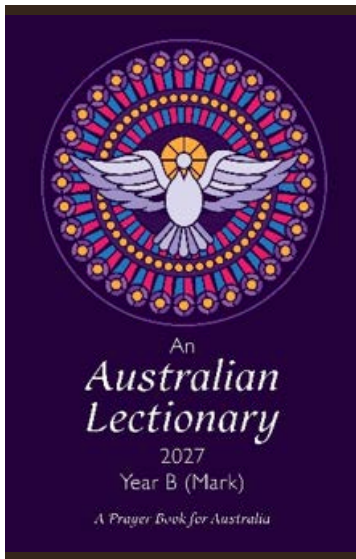
For additional information about the Season of Creation and access to logos, promotional materials and downloadable resources, visit: [Resources - Season of Creation](#)

Contact: Kellie Naylor
info@ecocare.perth.anglican.org



**SEASON OF
CREATION**

Notices



An Australian Lectionary 2027 (APBA)

Next year's Lectionary Year B, Year of Mark 2026/2027 is now available.
RRP \$16.95, with a stunning cover!

St Johns Books is distributing these by post

Discount price of **\$14.00**, with postage at cost.

Payment preferably by bank transfer.

(Pick up can sometimes be arranged from Fremantle Flying Angel Club if needed) and we will have some at Synod

Please order via email: books@stjohnsbooks.com.au

Any enquiries please email Shirley at: books@stjohnsbooks.com.au

Calling all Crocheters and Knitters!

We're looking for donations of crochet or knitted flowers

Holy Grounds 'Makers' are partnering with No Place For Poverty on

**TOGETHER
WE BLOOM**

**NO PLACE FOR
POVERTY**

Your flowers will be collated into a public art installation to help bring awareness to poverty in WA.

**holy
grounds.**

Colour palette - bright and cheerful
Drop off donations - Holy Ground Cafe - find us tucked in behind St George's Cathedral

Email for more info
connect@noplaceforpoverty.org.au

www.noplaceforpoverty.org.au

www.holygrounds.org.au



Holy Grounds is more than a cafe.
It's a place built by the community, where connection, creativity, and great coffee come together to combat social isolation



Come along & make connections

Weekly

Mondays
10AM - 12PM

Chatty Cafe

(Drop-in)
Drop in to the Chatty Table anytime, or join our dedicated Monday session

Wednesdays
11AM - 1PM

Board at Lunch?

(Drop-in)
Meet new people over board games in a friendly space

Thursdays
11AM - 1PM

Makers

(Drop-in)
Drop in for crafting, knitting, and making, beginners welcome

Monthly

3rd Tuesday
10AM - 12PM

Forget-Me-Not Memory Cafe

(Drop-in)
Connection, conversation and understanding in a relaxed space for people living with dementia and their carers

1st Friday
11AM - 1PM

Dungeons & Dragons

(Drop-in)
Step into a shared story: create a character, face challenges, and co-create an unfolding adventure

2nd Friday
11AM - 2PM

You Left Too Soon

(Drop-in)
A safe, supportive space for suicide loss conversations, facilitated by Anglicare WA

3rd Friday
VARIOUS TIMES

Art Shift

(Please register)
Creative art sessions for expression, connection, and wellbeing



2026 Diocesan Clergy Retreat Program

The dates for the 2026 Diocesan Clergy Retreat Program have been set. This year's program offers a residential retreat at New Norcia and four Quiet Days

For further information and to register, please refer to the Registration Form at [2026 Clergy Retreat Registration Form](#)

Any queries, please contact Melanie Hare at mhare@perth.anglican.org

These retreats are for clergy only

The Anglican Order of Preachers

The Order was founded by three Episcopal clergy in 1993. Since then, we have grown from the three founding members to well over a hundred in the Americas, including Cuba. They have members in Australia, the Philippines, the UK, Europe and South Africa.

The Order includes men and women, lay and ordained. They have Life Professed, Novices, Postulants, Seekers, Oblates and Associates. Everyone is a member of the one Order. Their ministry is to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. There is a comprehensive formation programme, beginning with the Seekers. Life Professed, unsurprisingly, are expected to be lifelong learners. Clergy and lay people are encouraged to consider a Vocation with the Order.

Find out more: [The Anglican Order of Preachers - Brochure](#)
<https://www.anglicandominicans.org/>

Clergy News

Locum Tenens

The Reverend Dr John Yates	Maylands	17.08.26 - 31.01.27
The Reverend Steve Warren	Lynwood-Langford-Ferndale	01.09.26 - 31.12.26
The Right Reverend Dr Peter Brain	Maddington	01.10.26 - 31.12.26

Permission to Officiate

The Reverend Tony Drayton	17.09.26
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RIP

The Reverend Fr Ted Doncaster OAM	13.08.26
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Anglican Chaplain

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (Full-time)



An opportunity is available for a full-time Anglican Chaplain to join the chaplaincy team at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital and Osborne Park Health Care Group.

Working Monday to Friday, the successful applicant will also participate in a shared after-hours on-call roster, approximately one week in every 5–6 weeks, providing urgent end-of-life pastoral ministry.

The chaplain will serve as part of an ecumenical team, offering Anglican worship and sacramental ministry alongside compassionate pastoral and spiritual care for patients, families and staff of all faiths and none.

For more information about the role, visit: perth.anglican.org/church/work-with-us/vacancies/chaplain-scgh

SAFE MINISTRY UPDATE

Update: Changes to Working with Children (WWC) Legislation

Amendments to the Working with Children (Screening) Act 2004 that significantly strengthen protections for Western Australian (WA) children, have now passed parliament. The amendments are part of ongoing national WWC Check reform to improve child safety.



The changes provide for the mutual recognition of negative WWC outcomes across states and territories, known in WA as an adverse interstate WWC decision.

This means that anyone who has their application for a WWC Check denied or their WWC Card revoked, in one state or territory, cannot be granted or hold a WWC Check in any state or territory – banned in one, banned in all.

Once the legislation commences, expected in the next few months, the WWC Screening Unit will notify all impacted WA applicants and Card holders and their organisation.

Reminder: Parish Screening Reports

You have now received the Parish Screening Reports for your parish. Please ensure this is tabled at the next Parish Council meeting and discussed to ensure that all volunteers are recorded, those who have left or stopped volunteering have been removed, and those volunteers who need to update or complete screenings and training have been reminded.

Whilst an automated email is sent to volunteers 6 weeks and/or 2 weeks prior to screening and training expiring we have seen that these at times are not delivered, which may be due to a change in email or contact details. It is then important that all volunteers and Parish Council remain vigilant and use the Parish Screening Report to remind and update requirements before they are due.

Are you a Synod Rep?

With Synod fast approaching please ensure you have all your Safe Ministry requirements completed. For Synod Reps this includes:

- Safe Ministry Form 5
- VNPC
- Safe Ministry Training Level 1

Please note if you hold child related role and are the Synod Rep you are required to have the child related screenings over those noted above.

Thank you to those parishes who continue to meet all Safe Ministry requirements and please do not hesitate to reach out to our team for any guidance or assistance

CONTACT US

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08 9425 7229 | screenings@perth.anglican.org
Davina Goldthorpe - Safe Ministry Services Manager
08 9425 7203 | safeministry@perth.anglican.org



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Closing date for submissions is by **COB Friday the week prior**.

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