St John's Wahroonga Uniting Church Newsletter



4 October 2026

St John's Weekly Newsletter

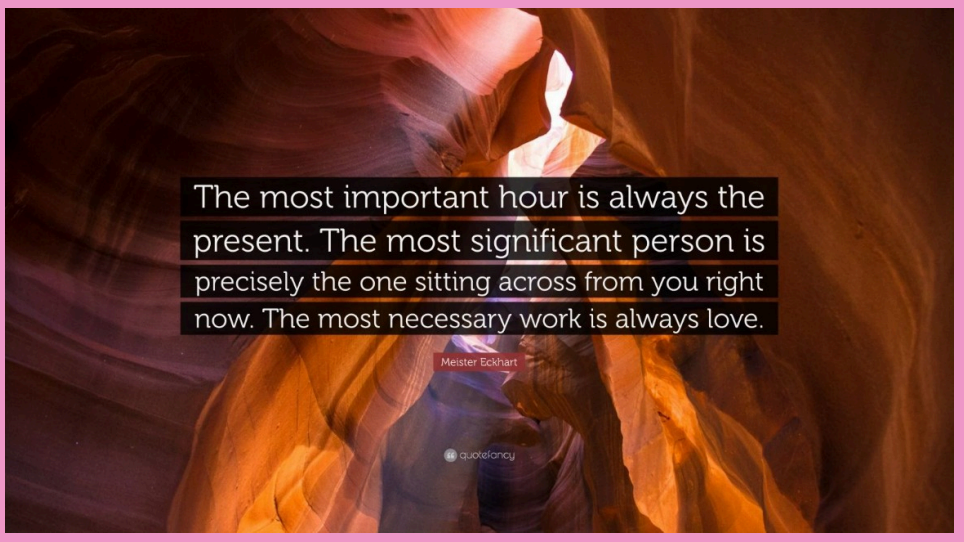
Each week, we gather stories, reflections, and updates that celebrate the life of our church community. Whether you're a long-time member or a first-time reader, we hope this newsletter inspires, informs, and invites you to connect more deeply with our shared journey of faith, service, and fellowship.

🌿 **You're warmly invited to worship with us online!** 🌿
St John's is delighted to welcome you to our Sunday Morning on Zoom.
🕊️ **Sunday**
⏰ **9:30 AM**
Join us from home as we gather in prayer, reflection, and community.
🔗 **Zoom Link:**
https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/4747345102
Meeting ID: 474 734 5102

We look forward to worshipping with you.

ZOOM LINK

"How you can win the population for war:
At first, the statesman will invent cheap lying, that impute the guilt of the attacked nation, and each person will be happy over this deceit, that calm the conscience. It will study it detailed and refuse to test arguments of the other opinion. So he will convince step for step even there from that the war is just and thank God, that he, after this process of grotesque even deceit, can sleep better." **Mark Twain**



Dear Friends – if the most important hour is always the present –
And the most necessary work is always Love …
How does this affect the way we pray?

Do you believe you can make a difference?
God seems to think so – otherwise why would He call all of us to pray?
It seems – in ways we do not understand – that God NEEDS US to pray.

In the week ahead – there is a smorgasbord of world suffering!! for us to pray about.
Pray as you are led – for Ukraine - for Nepal and Tibet – for Sudan – for Afghanistan – for whichever country's plight concerns you.

For the looming threat of AI …

Or pray against domestic violence – homelessness - child abuse and exploitation.

Pray for God to penetrate His wisdom and kindness into the minds of all leaders – business, political, scientists and leaders of Faith.

God bless you – and your prayers.

📢 Dates to Remember

Rev Manas will be away leave from 6 October to 25 October

4 October - Prayer for the HSC students
11 October - **Morna Buys** will be leading the Service
11 October - First Day back for Term 4 (Sunday school)
18 October - **Rev Judy Caldwell** will be leading the Service
25 October - **Family Church service** - Service run by the Sunday School
29 November - **Rev Arthur Pearce** will be leading the Service

20 December - Normal Church service at 9:30am
20 December - Carol Service at 19:00
24 December - No Church service
25 December - Christmas Service at 9:30
27 December - No Service

ROSTER for 4 October 2026

Service Leader: Rev Manas Ghosh
Duty Elder: Bob Cowan
Bible Reading: Doug Stewart
Prayer: Alan Hislop
Door Duty: Robin Mackenzie
AV: Jack Cambridge
Organist: Chris Wagstaff



ROSTER for 11 September 2026

Service Leader: Morna Buys
Duty Elder: Bob Cowan
Door & Collections Duty:
Cowan Family
Tea Duty: Annie Loxton
AV: Jack Cambridge
Organist: Rosie Blake



SUNDAY SCHOOL



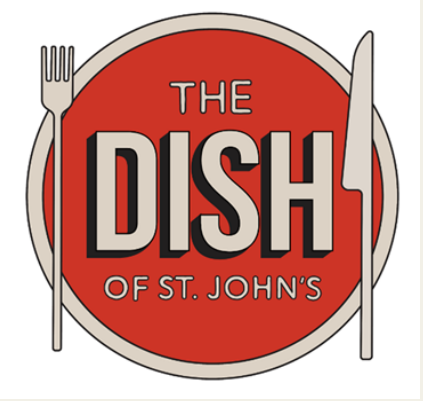
🌼 **Sunday School @ St John's Uniting Church**
Enjoy your break.

📣 Message from the Choir 📣

St Johns has a proud history of church music and choral music. But recently the small number of choristers on some occasions has placed an undue strain on some of those remaining.
We understand that many members of the congregation enjoy the short musical interludes of the introit and anthem and we very much want to continue singing them.
Most members of the church can take a short break away from church without it affecting anyone else. But with very small numbers of choristers, this is not always possible. Members of the choir have discussed options such as rostering, but without more members, can find no solution.
We would appreciate any singers joining us, even if you cannot come every week. We rehearse at 8.30 before church and after morning tea on Sundays.

Please prayerfully consider this predicament.

There will be no choir this coming Sunday (20th September)



Hi all,

Our remaining 2026 dates are (all Fridays)
- 13 November
And Friday 8 January 2027!

Thanks all,
Edwina
edwina.loxton@gmail.com

Join the Dish's Facebook page and see what great work is being done for the community (Click Here)



St John's Wahroonga Bible Study

Bible Study meets on Zoom every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 10am.
We'd love you to join us.
Please contact Wendy on
0410 504 104 for the Zoom link, if you'd like to be a part of the study group.



Art @ St John's

Art @ St John's meets every Wednesday morning at 9.30am during the State school term. New members are most welcome. Please contact Wendy Verco if you'd like more information, on 0410 504 104.

St John’s members wishing to make Direct Deposits to St John's can use either of the following Investment/(Bank) Accounts. THANK YOU

For **identifiable deposits** (**note no apostrophe in St Johns**)

- St Johns UC Wahroonga
- BSB 634634
- Investment Number 100020571

For **confidential deposits** (**note no apostrophe in St Johns**)

- St Johns UC Wahroonga-Giving Direct
- BSB 634634
- Investment Number 100026453

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