

20 25

St John's Wishart

**Annual Reports &
2026 Budget**



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Senior Minister's Report

When thinking about the year 2025, I can honestly say that I've never had a year of ministry quite like it! 2025 was a real step out in faith for St John's. In 2024 we decided that 2025 would be the year to put our energy and resources into reaching out to younger generations and to reaching out to our community with the good news of Jesus.

In 2025, we launched our Creche, Sunday School, Youth Group, Coffee Cart, Holiday Kids Club, and Annual Public Lecture. It was a big step up in effort for a number of us and it seems that God has really blessed the work of our hands for his glory.

Sunday Service

Our Sunday Services in 2025 were a great time of joy, blessing, and growth in maturity as we gathered together for worship.

In 2025 we finished off our series in Acts, had our Hope25 series, looked at James, covered some Psalms of ascent, looked at some highlights of Isaiah, and then finished off with a series looking at the Incarnation. Overall, we saw once again the amazing faithfulness of our God and his great compassion for us. I'm very thankful for the preaching support from Chris Boyce, John Arnold, Mark Calder, and Mark Fairhurst.

Other highlights included our Easter Day service where we witnessed Matt, Elod, and Adrian's baptisms and heard their testimonies and our Carols night where around 120 people joined us for a BBQ and a night of carols.

We also had great times of fellowship around the morning tea table and our new Coffee Cart. Notably, people have generally been staying for longer after the service meaning, hopefully, deeper and more meaningful conversations are happening. With the coffee cart, more people are being drawn outside meaning that it was easier to have deeper conversations at morning tea. Also contributing to this was the installation of sound proofing panels in the Greenwood Room by the maintenance team.

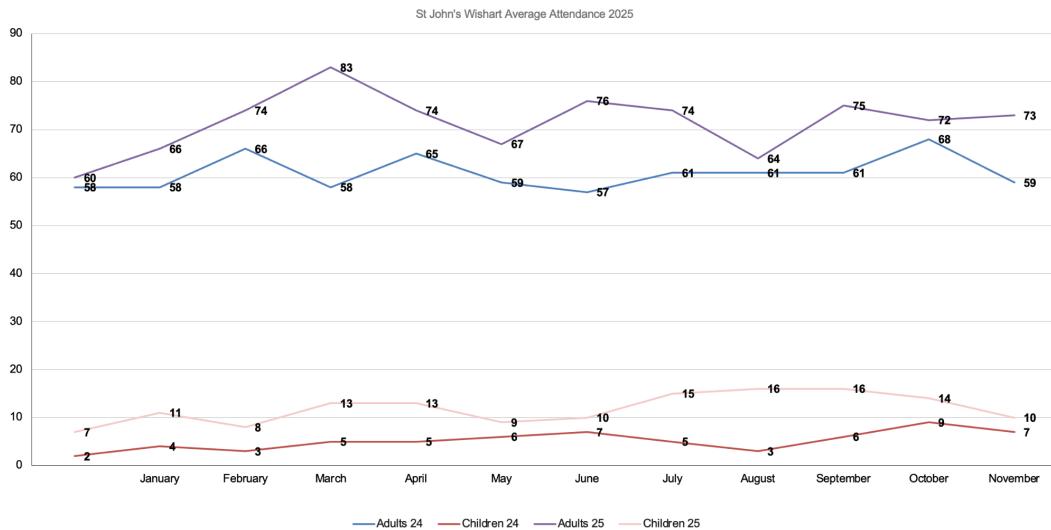
In 2025 we saw amazing numerical growth in our service. In 2024 we averaged 61 adults, 5 children (under 18), and 9 livestream screens. In 2025 we averaged 72 adults, 12 children, and 8 livestream screens. This represents a 25% growth of our in-person attendance. Praise God for his faithfulness in adding to our number!

Some of this growth has been transfer growth, some has been people returning to church after a while, and a small amount has been new Christians. A lot of this

growth has also been in our cultural diversity as well. Our live translation and captioning has been a great blessing to our people for whom English is their second or third language.

Over the past years we have been praying for God to bring more young families to our church and God has answered our prayers. The number of children regularly joining us has over doubled! I'm so thankful for those who have enabled this to happen in their faithful service in our kids and youth ministries.

Below is a graph comparing 2025 monthly average attendance to 2024.



Lastly, thank you to everyone who uses their God-given gifts to be able to make Sundays happen. People serve in so many ways including attending most Sundays and welcoming new people, praying for our services, rostering, admin, tech, welcoming, hospitality, musicians, people up front, and making our place a safe and welcoming environment in the maintenance of our facility.

Creche

In 2025, we started our creche with three kids. In this time, our kids went through almost the entire bible, had fun, and were well served by all of our leaders. In December we installed air-conditioning in the kids block enabling creche to move into it. This means that now the creche team have their own space and it means that they can introduce more noisy and engaging activities. Thank you to Rachel and Penny for taking the leadership and initiative in launching the creche and others for their great help.

Sunday School

In Semester 2 of 2025 our Sunday School for primary school aged kids was restarted. We started with one child and then by the end we had five regularly joining us! The team used materials that matched the sermons in church meaning that we were all looking at the same passages. Thank you to Brenda and Malcolm for their faithful leadership and the help of many others.

Youth Group

In 2025 we launched our Youth Group for High Schoolers on Friday nights. An average night included dinner, games, a bible talk, and some small group discussion. The nights were extremely well attended with an average of 13 kids throughout the year. A lot of these kids attend on a Sunday as well. Some of them are attending church for the first time!

Thank you especially to those who prayed for the Youth Group, provided dinner for the Youth Group throughout the year, and those who helped lead and fill in. A special thank you to Malcolm and Julie Elvery who lead every week.

On a Sunday our youth headed out for discussion of the bible after the sermon. Again, this was well attended, but discussion proved difficult on a Sunday morning. In 2026, we will wrap this up and instead encourage the youth into serving on a Sunday.



Holiday Kids Club

In April of 2025 we put on our Holiday Kids Club. This was a much simpler and scaled down week compared to previous Kids Clubs at St John's and was very successful. A team of 35 people helped around 35 kids have fun, make new friends, and come to know the man who defeated death - Jesus. About a third of the kids came from no church background and one family has joined our church as a result and have brought more families with them.

A real highlight was the end of the week BBQ, where we shared food and friendship with about 120 different people. This was an amazing way to engage with our community. It was amazing to see the whole body of Christ at work, using their gifts to share his grace and mercy.

Thanks again to everyone who prayed for the week, invited people, or served on team.



Annual Public Lecture

In 2025 we held our first Annual Public Lecture on the topic of 'How can God allow all this Suffering' delivered by Dan Patterson. We had about 80 people there. It's estimated that about a third weren't St John's members, but a number of them were members of other churches with a few from a non-christian background. The lecture is designed for us to invite non-christians and I hope that it will grow more and more in the coming years!

Online Presence

Around 8 screens on average join our Sunday Service and multiple people could be watching the screens at one. Moreover, measuring the amount of people who watch after a Sunday Service has happened is difficult to measure. A rough estimation is about 9 screens watching after the fact. Online attendance is extremely hard to measure accurately.

Our online presence isn't just limited to the livestreams. Our website was accessed by around 12,000 different people! Of note is the fact that our page about Jesus had about 2,525 views! These numbers are actual people encountering Jesus potentially for the first time!

Discipleship

There were many different opportunities for us to grow as disciples throughout the year and the main way was through our home groups. 52 people are part of our 5 different St John's Home Groups. We are hoping, praying, and planning for more groups in 2026 with a number of these groups at or nearing capacity.

Most of these groups have been going through the same bible passage that we looked at the previous Sunday using the weekly Home Group study questions. There has been great encouraging feedback from these studies and also some helpful critical feedback to hone this ministry.

Thank you to the leaders who prepare throughout the week and the hosts who open up their home, often providing food, and a space for fellowship!

Pastoral Care

There is so much care that happens at St John's in the background which is so incredible to see! I'm so thankful for the culture of looking out for one another's needs within the congregation.

In a more formal capacity, Cafe Catchups and the Ladies Fellowship provided other opportunities for pastoral care to happen.

General

In lieu of an employed administrator, there has been so much administration that happened in the background which freed me up for my work as a pastor in 2025. Thank you to the Wardens who have a large load, Sue who looks after the roster and slides, and Lyn who picks up a load of extra things (acting almost as a church manager!) over and above her role as treasurer.

Throughout 2025 we advertised the role of our Children's Ministry Coordinator on social media, Anglican Focus, Southern Cross magazine, in our bible colleges, and on our website but with hardly any serious applicants. If this role isn't filled in Q1 2026, we will look at shifting resources towards something like an internship role. This has the advantage of greater flexibility and will enable us to give someone a taste of what vocational gospel ministry might look like.

Personally, I am thankful for the support of Ross Miles, Jason Redman, and Tommy Stewart in the capacity of Wardens who were a great source of encouragement and a helpful sounding board throughout the year. Thank you also to the Parish Council who have been stellar!

Rachel and I have been completely blown away by your amazing support and care of us and for Hudson. Thank you so much.

Please pray for God's blessing on all our efforts in 2026, that they would be extremely fruitful in *Connecting our Community to God through Christ*.

In Christ,

Michael Calder

Warden's Report

2025 has been a remarkable year to see God at work in growing His Kingdom through the ministry of our Parish.

We are very thankful for the many visitors and new members that have decided to make St John's their home church in 2025. By the end of 2025 we regularly had over 100 people attending our worship services and it has been wonderful to have more families and children. We have also adopted some AI technology in the use of a translation app to provide live translations of the service in multiple languages for non-English speakers.

In addition to our weekly Sunday morning service and Friday Youth group, the building is used by the Antioch Presbyterian (Korean) church for their weekly Sunday afternoon services. On Sunday evenings Ibrahim ministries are also holding a service in our building. It is great that our property is being used for gospel work for different cultures and languages.

Our Rector, the Rev'd Michael Calder, has been an incredible bible teacher, wonderful listener and encouraging pastor, youth group leader, website manager, IT troubleshooter, and a great strategic thinker.

Michael and his wife Rachel have worked tirelessly in launching various new ministries and initiatives including Hope 25, Sunday morning Crèche, Youth Group and our Holiday kids club.

Michael's expertise as a barista has helped us acquire great equipment to set up a coffee cart for our services and events, and he has personally trained many of us in the art of a good brew!



We owe a huge thanks to Lyn Boyce our Treasurer for going above and beyond her role of treasurer to deal with a lot of the administration and diocesan liaison paperwork for the Parish. Lyn has been a wonderful and faithful servant in this important role. A big thanks also to the Rev'd Chris Boyce who continues to be on our preaching team, to be our go-to Locum in Michael's absence, as well as being a regular service Leader and Communion celebrant on Sunday mornings.

After Cyclone Alfred we noticed that our Solar panels were generating significantly less electricity than before and we put in an insurance claim for damage to the Solar system, along with the Mt Gravatt Capalaba side ducted Air conditioning unit and water damage to the kitchen ceiling. Repairs were completed during the year, but the new Solar system was larger (15 panels instead of 8) than the original installation and triggered the cancellation of our 44c/kW feed in tariff. This is currently in the process of rectification but we are confident that Energex will reinstate this. The 44c feed in tariff will expire in 2028, and then we will need to consider installing more panels and perhaps a battery.

Archbishop Jeremy visited in March, and we also had a few visits from Bishop Mark Calder.

We held our first public lecture with guest speaker Dan Patterson discussing the difficult subject of suffering.

Our Parish has been a long term supporter of BCA, and last year Reverend Michael Uptin set us up as a link Parish with Emerald Anglican Parish and the Rev'd David and Joanne Piper.

Our maintenance team led by Rhys Wellings and Tommy Stewart have been hard at work completing some upgrades to our buildings and grounds, with the completion of the toilet and shower in the Childrens block (we all learnt a lot about locating the sewer pipes), garden beds, water tank, additional rear exit stairs, and the re-turfing of the hill.

We have spent a lot of time praising God for the growth, and praying for wisdom in managing this growth and the changes it will bring. Our Sunday morning kids ministry has moved from the church building to the Childrens block, and we have installed Air Conditioning to make this a much more comfortable time for our kids and leaders.

We have prayed a lot about when we might need to plant a second service if Sunday morning attendance continues to grow, and we expect that might need to happen later in 2026.

The Qld State government introduced 10 new Child safety principles for all organisations across the state. We have been considering how we can improve things in this area. The first thing we have changed is to make Child safety a standing agenda item for Parish council meetings and Wardens meetings.

Our oldest Parishioner Thelma Jarrett went to be with Jesus in 2025. It is always a joy to celebrate the life of such a wonderful and faithful believer who has encouraged us all in our walk with the Lord. We continue to uphold Shirley and all the family in their grief.

Last but not least we want to thank all of our Ministry leaders and volunteers who serve God so faithfully and sacrificially here at St John's in so many different ways.

It is remarkable what God can do through us when we say "Okay Lord I'm here - how can I serve you?"

Thanks be to God!

Ross Miles, Jason Redman, Tommy Stewart - 2025 Church Wardens

Maintenance Committee Report

It gives me great pleasure to present the following report on behalf of the 2025 Maintenance Committee who have worked tirelessly in one way or another.

At the beginning of 2024, we embarked upon a long-term plan to revitalise and upgrade the grounds and facilities at St Johns. We are still a long way off finalizing this work but are happy to announce that our goals over the last two years have been met and we give thanks to God for enabling us to physically do the required work or find suitable outside contractors to help at a reasonable cost.

Of necessity, routine maintenance tasks have been carried out on an ongoing basis throughout the year and while space restricts listing all tasks undertaken, the following list gives some idea of our annual responsibilities. You will note that there are some items which are mandatory Government requirements and need to be done by qualified companies and this is to ensure that our place of worship is as safe as we can make it for all who enter our buildings.

1. the mandatory checking of Fire Safety equipment;
2. the mandatory testing the Earth leakage switches;
3. the mandatory Air Monitoring for asbestos fibres in the children's block;
4. the checking of the Defibrillator unit and that it is in working condition and ready when necessary;
5. the cleaning the Roof and Gutters of Church buildings;
6. the cleaning of filters in the Air conditioner units;
7. the cleaning out of the underground stormwater pipes beneath the carpark; and
8. maintaining the Church grounds in good condition

I am pleased to say that the specialist reports on all mandatory items meet Government Standards and that the Asbestos monitoring report shows 0/100ppm of air born fibres in the children's block. Praise God.

We have now finished all the ground work associated with the disabled toilet facility in the Children's block and note that it is working as expected despite Michael having a cold shower or two due to a clogged filter in the HWS.

We have also finalised stage one of the grounds beautification project which involved the building and planting of tiered garden beds, installation of a large rainwater tank and water pump, the installation of a dripper styled irrigation system and the planting of a large area of grass between the Church and Children's block. A big thank you to all those who stepped up when extra hands

were need but also for God's timely intervention with much needed rainfall.

In addition to the above, we have also overseen numerous contractors as they repaired the damage to the main air conditioner unit, the solar system, the shadesail and the kitchen ceiling which were all caused by Cyclone Alfred.

We will be attending to necessary building maintenance and a few new projects in 2026. We also propose to undertake stage two of grounds beautification depending upon budget constraints.

As chairman of the Maintenance Committee, I wish to give thanks to the Lord for granting us wisdom and strength to carry out all tasks set before us and would also like to express my gratitude to the many other parishioners who have helped along the way but especially those who have attended the many working bees throughout the year.

Deuteronomy 2:7: "For the Lord your God has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He has watched over your journey through this vast wilderness".

Rhys Wellings (chairman)



Prayer Ministry Report

Our Core Value

I call on you, O God, for you will answer me; give ear to me and hear my prayer.
(Psalm 17:6)

We had many regular opportunities to pray as a church family, as individuals and in small groups at St John's throughout 2025. St John's has 'prayerful dependence' as one of its core values, so below are some of the ways that we continued to call on God in prayer throughout 2025.

Sunday services

Intercessory prayer continues to play an important part in our Sunday services. Each week we have prayed for our world, our church, our community, our missionaries, those in need and special events. It takes a lot of time to prepare these prayers, so a special thank you to everyone who leads in prayer during our services. Because our services are streamed (and thus can be viewed from anywhere in the world) care is always taken with personal details and sensitive issues.

This Week in Prayer

In 2025 a weekly prayer sheet 'This Week in Prayer' continued to be emailed to everyone on the church list every Monday (late January – early December). A few printed copies are also available at church for those not on email. This prayer guide aims to cover (on a rotational basis) the ministries of St John's, prayer for our community, prayer for those in need, as well as other ministries that we support, such as BCA and CMS – as well as prayers for individuals serving elsewhere who have had association with St John's.

As well as our regular church ministries, prayers for our local school chaplains, RI, and the provision of a Children's Ministry Coordinator were included. We also prayed for special events such as HOPE 25, the Holiday Kids' Club and Public Lecture. Where possible, ministry undertaken by members of St John's outside of our church were prayed for – e.g. Outreach Bible Study, Christian writing, BCA Nomads, Tamborine Getaway and CWCI Ministries. Unfortunately prayer updates for our weekly prayer sheet are rarely submitted, but they are always welcome!

A Summer Edition of the prayer sheet covering December and January, was also available in printed form.

PrayerMate app

Throughout 2025, a 31-day cycle of prayer points for St John's continued to be available on PrayerMate. When you subscribe to St John's Wishart on the app, [Add/ Church Feeds/ Australian Churches/ St John's Wishart] a new prayer point is delivered to your device each day. These prayer points are updated regularly throughout the year as changes occur. To protect everyone's privacy, only first names are used, and no personal details are included.

Prayer meetings

An informal time of prayer continued to be held on Zoom every Tuesday morning at 8am in 2025 (February – early December). Although numbers are mostly very small, it is a wonderful opportunity to hear a short passage from God's word and to pray and share together in a more personal way.

An in-person prayer meeting was also held after the 9am service at various times throughout 2025. A prayer sheet was prepared for each of these meetings, covering all the ministries of St John's.

It is also good to know that our Home Fellowship groups regularly pray for each other and the ministries of our church.

Email prayer messages

Email Prayer Messages (also known as 'The Prayer Chain') once again proved to be an efficient way of circulating personal prayer requests for parishioners and members of their immediate family in need. Twenty-nine prayer messages were sent in 2025. Feedback shows that those being prayed for are always grateful for this prayer support. It is also so good to hear how God is answering our prayers.

Note: These prayer messages are only sent to those who ask to be on this list. Currently Prayer Messages are sent to thirty-two email addresses. If you are not on this list and would like to be, please let the church office know. Participants can unsubscribe any time.

God's word encourages us: Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. (Colossians 4:2)

Chris Keith - St John's Prayer Secretary

Ladies Fellowship

Once again, this year 2025, Ladies Fellowship has had a varied programme with a mix of celebrations and themed days. We also took part in the monthly mid-week Communion Service. The ladies were blessed to receive Michael's message at each service. It has been fun doing our gentle exercises with Barbara each month too.



Our themes in the first half of the year, included, Breakfast Habits, St Patrick's Day, April Fun Day. These produced discussions on what we remembered as children growing up as we shared many similar memories. You Light up my Life, another theme day in which Sharyn displayed several lamps, lights and torches. We completed a couple of word game competitions and talked about the songs we thought of, which have the words light or lamp in them. Your word is a Lamp unto my Feet is a special favourite.

We were thrilled to have Chris Boyce visit when our theme was A Picture Paints a Thousand Words. He presented a video which showed how an artist started and slowly created a beautiful picture. The point was made that the finished product is not a perfect image, it's not a photograph. Different strokes of the pen and brush make the painting come alive. Chris's little kit of paints and brushes is portable and goes everywhere with him, so he can capture great scenes. Chris offered some of his paintings for sale and generously donated takings to church funds.

A few craft days were enjoyed by all. Sharyn's cards are always popular and Debbie prepared craft to cover little notebooks for the Operation Christmas Child boxes which was a great success.

Our last craft for the year involved decorating Christmas gift bags which Sharyn prepared from her bed, and everyone loved making them.

The second half of the year our themes were, Cup o' Soup, when we all enjoyed a variety of homemade soups. Umbrellas, the subject uncovered the meaning of the word, where and when they were first used and a great many types. Some of our ladies talked about the special umbrellas they had brought along. Eye Spy was another theme. Sharyn relayed wonderful facts concerning our eyes. We had some fun competitions which included an eye-twisting find-a word game. We then sang 'Turn your eyes upon Jesus'.

Our Cheese Please theme was a smorgasbord of cheeses which was enjoyed by the ladies for morning tea. Discussions on where each cheese originated and which was most popular were interesting. Thanksgiving, although Australians don't usually celebrate this day, traditions in America and Canada date back to the 1600's when a feast of thanksgiving was shared. We have so much to be thankful for in our daily lives today.

There have been a few big birthday parties during the year. We give thanks that Sharyn has been able to make our celebrations so special and individual. In April Jenny was 70, then in June Pamela celebrated her 80th birthday. September came around and Marion turned 90 before our last October birthday which was Susan's 60th birthday.

Along with celebrations we were saddened to farewell our dear Thelma in August. We give thanks for her long life and presence among us.

Our ladies enjoyed a good year of fellowship and friendship. We gave thanks and praise that Julie made amazing recovery from lung cancer earlier in the year. We grieved with ladies who lost their loved ones and pray for ongoing love and support.

A Christmas break-up morning tea again brought music and carols led by Julie and Lauren. Small gifts were distributed by Gloria's fun story game.





Our fellowship group meets together as we enjoy good times and good company. We aim to encourage and support each other and give thanks for the amazing love of Jesus who makes this possible.

Pam Schaschke

Treasurer's Report

Audited Accounts for 2025

Our accounts have once again been audited by Jim Buckman. He has been auditing our accounts for a number of years but is now stepping down to enjoy more time in his retirement. I am very appreciative of the time he has given me and to St. John's over the years and I would like to move a vote of thanks to be sent to him.

I am in the process of finding a new auditor with the help of the Diocese. I hope this will be finalised by the AGM.

Surplus: We have ended the year with a net surplus of \$33,964 compared to our budgeted deficit of \$39,635. The large discrepancy is explained in figures on the attached sheet.

Income: As you can see our offerings were \$3,347 more than budgeted. We also received \$17,118 in one off gifts not included in the budget. There was also a small amount of other income not included in the budget.

Expenditure: We allowed for a salary of \$35,500 for a Youth Worker, who never materialised, and therefore was not spent. Also the Repairs and Maintenance budget was underspent.

I want to thank all who have given so generously throughout the year. We praise God who has again provided for us and all our needs.

Repairs and Maintenance

One of those needs was the refurbishment of the Children's Block. This has been a huge undertaking for our maintenance team last year, but it has greatly enhanced ways in which we can use the block. In last year's budget we set aside \$11,000 for the work, the cost to come from our reserves.

The actual cost to put in the new bathroom and toilet was \$14,076. Added to this was the cost of the air conditioning, which was \$7,875. Total cost \$21,951. This sum was taken from reserves, and did not come out of our P & L accounts, creating a \$10,424 surplus in Repairs and Maintenance spending. You will see the cost in the balance sheet.

I would like to thank everyone who is involved in helping me. Those who count the offerings each week, Hugh, who does the banking each month, and Ross who oversees the payment of invoices.

Talking about cash, I would like to encourage everyone to give by direct debit. It is easy to do. You can go to our website and follow instructions. There are also instructions at the back of our church on the desk. You can also give anonymously. Please ask me for a form which you fill in, and send to the Diocese direct.

The reason for encouraging direct debits is for security reasons. We must roster each week, two people to count the money at the end of each service. It is banked once a month by Hugh who has the task of carrying large amounts of cash to the bank. Also, it makes the Treasurer's job easier to have regular income if you can make recurring payments into the church's bank account. If you need more information, please come and see me.

Below are also instructions if you wish to give personally to St. Johns, CMS and BCA. There are also instructions at the back of the church. This helps a busy Treasurer not to have to account for and pass on money put into our donation box for these charities. You will see from the budget that we, as a church, already give 10% of our total offering to CMS, BCA and other organisations each year, so 10% of your giving is already designated for these organisations. I am also sure they will appreciate direct giving from you into their account. They receive it more quickly than waiting for me to do the work.

Lynda Boyce
Treasurer to St. John's Wishart

Lyn Boyce

Difference between budget totals and actuals

	Budget	Actuals	Total Savings
Overall Totals	-38,635.00	33,964.00	72,599.00
Income			
One off gifts	0	17,118.00	17,118.00
Offerings	120,000.00	123,347.46	3,347.46
HKC & Coffee cart contributions	-	5,933.00	5,933.00
Totals	120,000.00	146,398.46	26,398.46
Expenditure savings			
Youth worker	35,000.00	0	35,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance	24,500.00	14,088.00	10,412.00
Totals	59,500.00	14,088.00	45,412.00
Total Savings	60,500.00	132,310.46	71,810.46

Audited Accounts/Profit & Loss
Anglican Parish of Wishart
1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

2024 Actual		2025 Actual	2025 Budget
	GENERAL INCOME		
40,000	One-off gifts	17,118	0
116,612	Offertory Income	123,347	120,000
5,772	Interest	5,340	5,000
52,796	Tower contracts	84,058	84,058
	Other Income		
0	Youth Ministry - HKC	3,845	0
0	Coffee Cart contributions	2,088	0
492	Cash for containers	618	500
0	Property Rental Income	3,935	4,160
1,940	Sundry Income & Special appeals	0	0
217,612	Total Income	240,349	213,718
	LESS OPERATING EXPENSES		
98,412	Staff - Salaries and on costs	101,785	101,842
0	- Children's worker	0	35,500
3,631	- Accident Insurance & General Expenses	2,868	4,000
2,618	- Professional Development	4,231	3,000
9,300	Giving - Diocesan Contribution	9,300	9,300
11,142	- Parish Giving	12,655	11,661
20,917	Property - Repairs & Maintenance	14,076	24,500
17,161	- Occupancy Exp. (Gas, Elec, Rates, Water, Ins. Cleaning)	24,204	23,000
3,703	- Body Corporate	3,430	4,600
7,870	Depreciation	4,115	0
314	Bank charges	291	450
175,068	Total	176,955	217,853
	Belong Ministries		
2,040	Advertising	2,686	3,000
0	Outreach Expenses	0	3,000
1,286	Ministry Resourcing (inc. catering/coffee cart & flowers/decs)	5,021	7,000
0	Community Outreach (Public Lecture)	-240	0
644	Pastoral Care	331	1,500
3,970	Total - Belong Ministries	7,798	14,500
	Believe Ministries		
2,071	Youth & Children's ministry	772	2,000
0	Holiday Kid's Club	2,122	2,000
2,071	Total - Believe Ministries	2,894	4,000
	Become Ministries		
354	Lay Training	0	500
354	Total - Become Ministries	0	500
	Administration Expenses		
1,588	Licences, Professional, Legal etc.	1,471	1,700
1,178	Office exp. Stationery etc.	925	1,500
1,698	Photocopying	1,825	2,000
6,722	IT and software	6,934	6,300
1,645	Security & Fire Protection	1,996	2,000
3,131	Telephone	2,962	3,000
15,962	Total Administration costs	16,113	16,500
	Minor & Major Capital Acquisitions		
	Spot lights, Accessories coffee cart, Bass amp,	2,625	
197,425	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	206,385	253,353
20,187	Net Surplus/Loss	33,964	-39,635

Audited Accounts/Balance Sheet

Anglican Parish of Wishart

As at 31 December 2025

2024	Assets	2025
	Bank	
152,598.45	ANFIN - Easy Access	167,877.15
4.45	ANFIN - St Johns Building Fund	4.55
4,404.40	Westpac Cheque A/c	3,628.61
2,462.52	Westpac Debit Card	865.27
25,000.00	Term Investment	25,000.00
35,500.00	Children's Worker	35,500.00
219,969.82	Total Bank	232,875.58
	Fixed Assets	
-	Children's Block Refurbishment	21,951.31
-	Less Depn	-
-	Coffee Machine & Cart	6,430.00
-	Less Depn	-
28,139.25	Kitchen Refurbishment - Building and Other costs	28,139.25
-13,125.00	Less Depn	-15,000.00
22,399.70	Kitchen Refurbishment - Equipment	22,399.70
-15,680.00	Less Depn	-17,920.00
21,733.95	Total Fixed Assets	46,000.26
241,703.77	Total Assets	278,875.84
	Liabilities	
	Current Liabilities	
72,362.15	General Reserves	72,362.15
35,500.00	General Reserves - Children's Worker	35,500.00
3,065.23	GST	6,273.51
110,927.38	Total Liabilities	114,135.66
130,776.39	Net Assets	164,740.18
	Equity	
20,188.34	Current Year Earnings	33,963.79
110,588.05	Retained Earnings	130,776.39
130,776.39	Total Equity	164,740.18

FINANCIAL AUDIT DECLARATION
For the year ending 2025

Parish of: WISHLIST

Scope

I/We have audited the financial statements of the Parish of WISHLIST for the financial year ended **31 December 2025** as set out in the Parish Financial Return. The wardens are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements and the information contained therein. I/We have conducted an independent audit of the financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the Parish.

My/Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. My/Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Parish's state of affairs and the results of its operations.

The Audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Auditor Independence

In conducting our audit, I/We have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

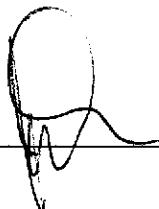
Qualification

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for the parish to maintain an effective system of internal control over contributions, donations, bequests and fundraising receipts until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to these items was limited to amounts recorded.

Qualified Audit Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had the limitation of scope referred to in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial statements of the Parish are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Parish as at **31 December 2025** and its results for the financial year ended on that date.

Date: 16/01/2026 Signed: _____



JAMES BUCKMAN
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Auditor

2026 Budget

Income

The Parish Council has budgeted for an increase of 7% in giving. This is in recognition of our recent growth in numbers and, God willing, growth in the amount of giving. As mentioned in my report on the audited accounts, I want to encourage you to give to St. John's by regular direct debits and perhaps this is a good time to do an annual review either up or down as you are able. However, I assure you that for those who find electronic banking is not their thing, the Giving Box will remain at the back of the church.

We continue with the leases for Indara and Telstra mobile towers which provide us this year with an income of \$87,761. Indara increases by 3.5% p.a. until 2043 and Telstra 5% p.a. until 2028. Both contracts have cessation clauses so we can never be fully reliant on this income. We are hoping and planning to reduce our dependency on them over the next 5 years.

Expenditure

Again, this year there is a sum set aside for the employment of extra staff. I am sure Michael will bring us up to date with plans.

There is a new item under Giving – Transfer to Connect Fund. The plan is to launch a fund to try and reduce dependency on tower money for operational costs. Funds could be used for wider gospel ministry and to fund gospel leaders. 20% of tower money has been transferred in this first year but will remain on deposit as it will not necessarily be spent this year.

Deficit

This year, the Parish Council is again predicting a deficit of nearly \$52,000 due to the addition of \$50,000 salaries for Children's Workers. This deficit can easily be funded by cash assets.

Property Account

There is an account held by the Diocese on St. John's behalf to be spent only on capital items for the Rectory. This was made up of the profit from the sale of the old Rectory and purchase of the new. This year a transfer was made of \$7,455 to pay for blinds and security screens at the Rectory. The balance now stands at \$12,831.84.

Lyn Boyce - Treasurer to St. John's Wishart

GIVING TO ST. JOHNS

Bank: Anglican Financial Services

Account Name:

Wishart Anglican Parish

BSB: 704-901

Account Number: 00005820

Reference: GIVING

ANONYMOUSLY: If you wish to give **anonymously please fill out the Parish Direct Form and email to askus@anfin.com.au**. Forms are at the back of church or ask St. John's Treasurer for a form.

GIVING TO CMS

Account Name:

Church Missionary Society

BSB: 034 003

Account Number: 124063

Reference:	For general missionary support	- Your first & last name + MS
	For specific missionary	- Your first & last name + Missionary name
	Tax deductible donation	- Your first & last name + TAX

GIVING TO BUSH CHURCH AID (BCA)

Account Name:

Bush Church Aid

BSB: 032 008

Account Number: 000706

For BCA General Queensland Account use reference: **Anon Q**

Budget 2025	Actuals 2025	Budget 2026 for AGM approval	Budget 2026	
Income				
0	17,118	One off gifts/legacy	0	
120,000	123,347	Offertory: from all services and direct giving	132,000	
84,058	84,058	Contracts: Part Telstra, and Optus contract	87,761	Increases - Indara 3.5% / Telstra 5%
5,000	5,340	Bank Interest	5,000	\$34,425.69 / \$53,335.50
	3,845	Belong: Youth ministry - HKC	4,000	
	2,088	Coffee cart contributions	1,500	
4,160	3,935	Property Income: Hire	4,160	
500	618	Other : Cash for containers	700	
213,718	240,349	Total Income	235,121	
Expenditure				
Staff				
101,842	101,785	Salaries: incl. Super, motor & housing allowance, Hol. Pay, LSL	104,959	3.4% rise confirmed
35,500	0	: Children's worker	50,000	Cost of 2 interns plus associated costs
4,000	2,868	Staff S & A, / Workcover /Gen exp.	3,000	
3,000	4,231	Staff Professional Development	6,000	
Giving				
9,300	9,300	Diocesan Contribution	9,500	
11,661	12,655	Parish Giving Prog: as directed by PC	13,200	10% of budgeted offertory
		Transfer to Connect Fund	17,552	20% Mobile Tower income
Repairs and Maintenance				
24,500	14,076	Rectory, Church & Grounds	13,500	
Occupation				
5,000	5,496	Electricity	5,500	
6,500	6,478	Council Rates & Water	6,500	
6,700	6,215	Cleaning company and expenses	9,040	
4,800	6,015	Blgs.Insurance (Rectory & Church plus contents)	8,241	
4,600	3,430	Rectory Body Corporate	5,500	To be confirmed
Finance				
450	291	Bank charges inc. Eftpos machine	300	
Belong - Connecting with church				
3,000	2,686	Advertising	3,000	
3,000	5,021	Ministry Resourcing (catering inc. coffee cart, Church decs.etc.)	4,500	
7,000	-240	Community Outreach & Evangelism	2,000	
1,500	331	Pastoral care	1,000	
Believe - Gospel growing church				
2,000	772	Youth Ministry	2,000	
2,000	2,122	Holiday Kids Club	2,000	
Become - Training to serve				
500	0	Lay Training	500	
Administration costs				
1,700	1,471	Licenses and professional expenses	1,700	
1,500	925	Office supplies. Resources & Sundries	1,500	
2,000	1,825	Photocopying	2,000	
2,000	2,105	IT Hardware	3,000	
4,300	4,829	Software inc. translation software	5,500	
2,000	1,996	Security & Fire Protection	2,500	
3,000	2,962	Telephone/Internet expenses	3,000	
253,353	199,645	Total Expenditure	286,992	
	4,115	Depreciation		
	918	Major Capital Acquisitions		
	1,707	Minor Capital Acquisitions		
	206,385	Operating Expenses		
-39,635	33,964	Operating Profit	-51,871	
Reserves				
		Cash Assets b/f from 2025	232,876	
		Less projected net loss for 2026	-51,871	
		Connect Fund (Transfer from part mobile towers)	17,552	
		Cash Assets c/f to 2027	198,557	

	2025	Major Capital Acquisitions		
	-19,909	Contribution from Property Account		
	16,455	Rectory Blinds and Screens		
	4,372	Spotlights for Church		
	918	Total		
		Minor Capital Acquisitions		
	1,236	Items for coffee cart		
	471	Bass Amp Combo		
	1,707	Total		