



St George's Anglican Church Beenleigh



A Brief Profile Of The Parish Of St George's Anglican Church Beenleigh



WHO WE ARE:

St George's Anglican Church Beenleigh is part of the Anglican Church of Australia and is almost as old as the city of Beenleigh itself. The City of Beenleigh was first colonised in the 1860's. Beenleigh and surrounding suburbs are located near the junction of the Albert and Logan rivers. Beenleigh is located approximately halfway between Brisbane and the Gold Coast and is just off the M1 highway.

The original St George's Anglican Church was officially opened on the 16th September 1875 at 10 Tansey Street Beenleigh. Our present church building was opened in 1964.

St George's is an evangelical Anglican Church.

As a church St George's is a caring family church with a focus on loving God and loving people. We are a Bible-believing church that seeks to be led and empowered by the Holy Spirit as we love and serve each other and our local community of Beenleigh and surrounding areas.

We seek to be a vibrant church community for people of all ages as we support and encourage everyone to use and grow in their ministry gifts, talents and abilities.

You will be made to feel welcome when you come to join with us in worshipping our God and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

More information is available on our parish website:

<https://stgeorgesanglicanbeenleigh.org.au/>

About Our Church Community:

One of the first things that a person coming to St George's Anglican Church will notice is that **we have a very active lay ministry.**

We currently have three pianists, a small church music ministry group who lead our praise and worship, six licensed Liturgical Assistants, and members of our congregation lead prayers and conduct the Bible readings in our services.

We also have a very effective 'pastoral care' team taking care of home and hospital visitation and the sick and lonely.

Our parish council, treasurer, wardens and our executive are all committed Christians who effectively guide the life of the parish and administer our church property.

Our church mission statement states that at St George's we aim to be a vibrant family church, seeking to grow in our knowledge of Christ, bringing His hope and love to our community, by welcoming and encouraging everyone into a personal relationship with Jesus.

At this stage of our church's life our most important need is to start, grow, and maintain vibrant children's, youth and young families ministries.

Our hope and plan for the future is to be a beacon of light, love and hope in a lost world.

Jesus said: "You are the light of the world - like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."
(Matthew 5:14-16 NLT)

Currently our average weekly Sunday 8am Holy Communion service church attendance is between 30 to 40 people. In the past we have conducted a 7am traditional Holy Communion service and a 9am more informal family-friendly praise and worship Holy Communion service.

Our Facilities:



Our air-conditioned and ceiling-fan equipped church building has a seating capacity of 170 people on comfortable padded chairs.

The church is equipped with fast 5G Internet, three computers, a proper digital sound desk, and services are displayed on three monitors for the congregation to follow with a fourth monitor facing the altar for the minister to follow. Currently services are supported by PowerPoint presentations with the minister moving between slides via the use of a remote 'clicker' to display the slides on the monitors.

Our air-conditioned and ceiling-fan equipped church hall has a fridge, freezer, dishwasher, and multiple cupboard space, fold down tables, and can seat 75



Our Facilities (cont):

Views of the church from outside



View of the hall from outside



CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Our current church activities include:

- * Holy Communion Service on Sundays at 8am
- * God's Fire charismatic/pentecostal service 1pm every second Saturday of the month
- * Music Ministry
- * Nursing Home Services and home communion
- * Growth Groups
- * Men's Maintenance Group looking after the church grounds and property
- * 'Ladies Alive' fellowship group
- * 'Tea On The Terrace' community outreach
- * 'Coffee, Chat, and Craft' group
- * An effective 'Prayer Circle'
- * Monthly family breakfast
- * We also currently allow 'Rosies' to use our premises twice a week to provide free meals to those less fortunate or who may be homeless, and also a high school youth outreach club that meets several afternoons a week.

More detailed information is available on our parish website:

<https://stgeorgesanglicanbeenleigh.org.au/regular-activities.html>

ABOUT BEENLEIGH:

According to the 2021 Census statistics Beenleigh has a population of approximately 8,500 people split roughly equally between male and female and percentage wise fairly equally across all age groups.

Beenleigh is ideally placed for outreach and evangelism as while 9.3% of the population identifies as being Anglican a massive 42.9% identify as having no religious affiliation at all.

Age <i>All people</i>	Beenleigh	%
Median age	38	N/A
0-4 years	437	5.2
5-9 years	486	5.8
10-14 years	513	6.1
15-19 years	505	6.0
20-24 years	631	7.5
25-29 years	683	8.1
30-34 years	552	6.5
35-39 years	575	6.8
40-44 years	492	5.8
45-49 years	577	6.8
50-54 years	596	7.1
55-59 years	546	6.5
60-64 years	515	6.1
65-69 years	443	5.2
70-74 years	405	4.8
75-79 years	238	2.8
80-84 years	139	1.6
85 years and over	110	1.3

ABOUT BEENLEIGH (cont.)

Beenleigh is well serviced including child care centres, private and State primary and high schools, the main shops like Coles, Aldi, and Woolworths, as well as coffee shops, mechanical workshops, district court house, police, ambulance and fire brigade, speciality stores, and the nearby large Loganholme Hyperdome complex.

Beenleigh State School is a government primary (years Prep-6) school for boys and girls and is situated directly across the road from St George's church.

Beenleigh also has a public high school (years 7-12) walking distance from the church.

Other schools include a Catholic primary school in Beenleigh, Beenleigh Special School (for students with an intellectual disability), Eagleby South State Primary school, Eagleby Learning Centre, Mt Warren Park State Primary School, Windaroo State Primary School, and Windaroo Valley State High School.

Nearby is Canterbury College an independent Anglican co-educational early learning, primary and secondary day school, located in Waterford, a 10 minute drive from Beenleigh.

Logan TAFE at Loganlea, and Griffith University at Meadowbrook, are a 25 minute drive away from the church.

Nearby Logan Hospital is a major hospital and is also a 25 minute drive from the church.



WHO ARE YOU?

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR IN A MINISTER:

First and foremost what we are looking for in a new minister to guide our St George's church family is that you are fully committed as a Christian to Jesus Christ as your Saviour and Lord.

Secondly you are fully committed to the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, as the Word of God, rather than some belief that the Bible just contains the Word of God - find it if you can. In other words, you will not select random verses to support your own theology (liberal or otherwise) and ignore the rest of the Bible. The whole Bible is the Word of God, and verses and theology must be taken both 'in context' and 'in line with the general principles that run through the whole Bible'.

The primary roles of any new minister, apart from preaching and conducting services, would be evangelism for church growth (particularly reaching youth and young families) and encouraging existing members in their spiritual growth and ministry roles.

You must be evangelical with a genuine desire for outreach into our community. Bringing the lost in our community, and our church, to salvation in Jesus.

St George's Anglican Church Beenleigh has many of our congregation who are 'baptised in the Holy Spirit'. So you will probably be 'baptised in the Holy Spirit' (charismatic/pentecostal), or at the very least completely open to the leading and empowerment of the Holy Spirit and the use of the 1 Corinthians 12:7-11 'gifts of the Spirit' in ministry.

You will be a 'people person'. Programs that work are great but it is relationships that build faith, character and spiritual growth. People always come first, programs come second.

You will be prepared to work alongside our wardens, parish council, and our members who are already ministering in the various activities of our church, ('body ministry'), all towards the good of the church and the extension of God's Kingdom.

While the position currently offered is part-time you will have a vision and commitment to a possible long-term placement as minister of St George's Anglican Church.

You will be a clear English-speaking communicator.

You will not be associated with GAFCON, either now, nor in the future.

WHAT WE OFFER TO A MINISTER:

Currently we are offering a part-time (three days per week) position as minister-in-charge (parish priest).

Should you wish, we are open to the fact you may also work as a chaplain in the schools under Scripture Union, or as a chaplain in the hospital, etc, on other days of the week to supplement your income.

We offer a three day salary in accordance with Diocesan guidelines, and there is the possible use of a rectory on the premises, or alternatively accommodation allowance in line with Diocesan guidelines, and a car allowance in line with Diocesan guidelines.

We also offer a very supportive and cohesive parish council, wardens and lay ministry who work together for the good of the minister, the parish, and the Kingdom of God.

The St George's
Anglican Church
Rectory is positioned
on a block right next to
the church and hall



So:



If so, all you have to say is.....

CHALLENGE
ACCEPTED

ARE YOU READY FOR A CHALLENGE?

The challenge is to grow the Parish of St George's Anglican Church Beenleigh, both in numbers and maturity as a faithful and effective community of believers in service of the Kingdom of God.

You will be able to relate to, and bring in, youth and young families into the life of our church community.

The challenge is certainly not impossible for the right person who trusts and relies upon God, for He has promised that:

"I can do everything through Christ, Who gives me strength".
Philippians 4:13

So, what is your next move if you are interested in becoming the minister of St George's Anglican Church, Beenleigh?

If you have a sense that God may be calling you to the Parish of St George's Beenleigh and would like to discuss this further; or, if you have some questions about the role, please contact the Bishop for the Southern Region of the Anglican Church of Southern Queensland:

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