# Anglicare Sunday 2023 Liturgical Resources



## **About Anglicare**

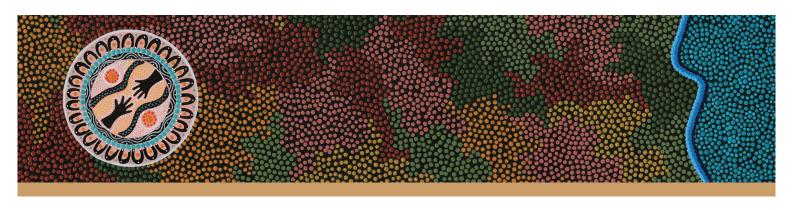
Anglicare is the service arm of the Anglican Church Southern Queensland. With the church we participate in God's mission in the world and walk alongside those in need. Our vision is to create a more loving, just, and inclusive society, reflecting the life and teachings of Christ.

Our story began more than 150 years ago, with the pioneering spirit of five women who founded the Female and Infants Refuge in Ann Street, Brisbane. From those humble beginnings, our commitment to the most vulnerable in our community now extends to one in thirty Queenslanders.

Anglicare Southern Queensland is dedicated to walking alongside people in our community who have need, offering residential aged care, in home care, mental health support, youth programs, care for those escaping domestic violence and homelessness, foster care, and family services. Through the provision of these, and through its advocacy for the most vulnerable in our community, Anglicare works to create a more loving, just, and inclusive society.

Clients are at the very heart of our work. Over the last financial year, we supported: 800 Aged Care Residents, 32,062 Aged at Home and 11,841 Children, Youth and Families.

Anglicare Southern Queensland continues to celebrate Anglican faith and the spirit of the Gospel in how we offer care and service. The Mission Research and Advocacy Department embraces our relationship with the Church to deliver additional emotional and spiritual support to our people and our clients.



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## Prayers

#### A Prayer for Anglicare Australia

God of Life-Giving Creation,

You call us to act justly, to love mercy, to walk humbly with you.

We pray for the member organisations of Anglicare Australia working across this vast and ancient land.

Enable us as we strive to meet human need through loving service and to build communities of resilience, hope and justice.

Encourage us to work in mutual partnership to effect positive change.

Empower the people we serve to reach their full potential, especially those who experience disadvantage and injustice.

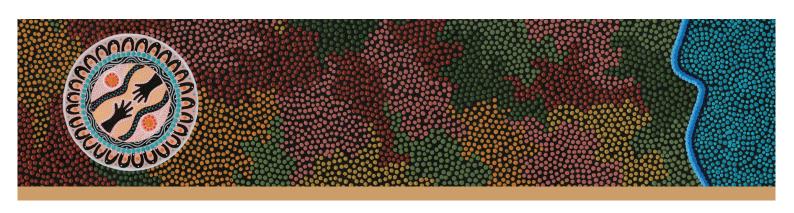
Guide us in our advocacy for social justice and strengthen our determination to respond with compassion.

Remind us to care for ourselves and each other as we face the challenges of our work,

and as we seek reconciliation, healing and community transformation.

All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our servant leader and friend.

Amen.





# **Collect Prayers**

Loving God, on this Anglicare Sunday, we gather in gratitude for the work of Anglicare and its mission to serve the vulnerable and marginalised. We give thanks for the compassion and dedication of all involved in this ministry. Pour out your grace upon them, and grant them strength and wisdom as they bring healing, hope, and justice to those in need. Inspire us, as a community, to support and uplift Anglicare in their mission, that together we may be agents of transformation and compassion in our society. We pray in the name of the one who said 'Love your neighbour' Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Compassionate God, on this Anglicare Sunday, we give thanks for Anglicare Southern Queensland. Bless their ministry with wisdom, resilience, and an unwavering commitment. Inspire them to bring healing and hope to the vulnerable. Strengthen us to support and uplift them in their mission. We pray in the name of the one who went to the least, the lost and the lonely, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.





### **Intercessory Prayers**

#### **History and Pioneers**

God of dreamers and doers,

we give thanks for more than 150 years of Anglicare serving the community and those who have pioneered this work.

We remember the women who founded the Female and Infants Refuge in 1870 and the Mother's Union District Nursing Association who pioneered community nursing in Brisbane.

May their innovation and determination inspire others to join your mission of compassion and justice.

God of grace: hear our prayer

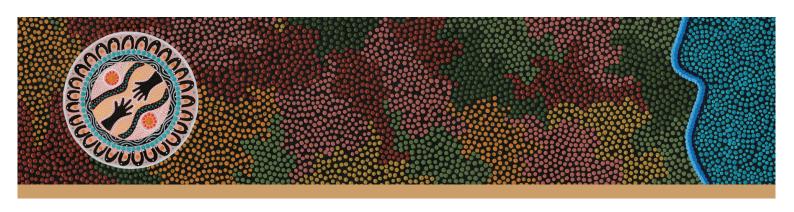
#### The work of AnglicareSQ

God of strength and courage,

you have called us to participate in your mission in the world.

We give thanks for of the work of Anglicare Southern Queensland, for aged care, foster and kinship care, for counselling services and programs that address homelessness and support young people and families. We give thanks for spiritual and pastoral care and Anglicare's advocacy work. Inspire and energise us to create a more loving just and inclusive society that shows forth your kingdom.

God of grace: hear our prayer





#### **Clients and Carers**

God of healing and comfort,

We pray for the clients of Anglicare Southern Queensland, for young and old, for those near and far. May they find comfort, healing, and hope in their time of need.

May they experience your love through the compassionate care and assistance they receive.

God of grace: hear our prayer

#### **Frontline workers**

God of love and hope,

We give thanks for all who work for Anglicare Southern Queensland, for staff and volunteers.

We particularly pray for frontline workers who care for clients every day, serving with love, care, hope and humility.

Strengthen them for their task, give them wisdom in all they do, and encourage them in their service for God's mission in the world.

God of grace: hear our prayer

#### Leaders

God of guidance and understanding,

We give thanks for the leaders of Anglicare Southern Queensland. Grant them wisdom, discernment, and strength as they guide the organisation in serving those in need.

Fill their hearts with compassion and empathy for those they serve and surround them with a community of support and encouragement.

God of grace: hear our prayer



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#### Partners and supporters

God of compassion and kindness,

We give thanks for those who partner with Anglicare in parishes, schools and the wider community. For those who give their time, knowledge, skills and those who support financially. Deepen those relationships so that we with grace and joy we may better care for the communities we are part of..

God of grace: hear our prayer

### **Video Resources**

There are many video resources on Anglicare Southern Queensland's Youtube page. We recomended the following three.

Anglicare's Values - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mbqHSREtNS8</u> Homelessness - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JLOgAnq4rXA</u> Aged Care - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cTNj7PYvq3o

## **Other Resources**

The Anglicare Annual Report is a good source of information about Anglicare Southern Queensland.

Annual Reports - Anglicare Southern Queensland (anglicaresq.org.au)

Video files and resources can be found in this google drive folder

