

# Anglican Parish of Kingaroy

(St Michael & All Angels Church, Kingaroy, and St Andrew's Church, Wooroolin)

## Parish Profile 2026



### Our Mission

**“To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God.”**

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## **Parish Aims**

- To be a local community church committed to discipleship and loving service.
- To be inclusive and welcoming – recognising the inherent value of each person.
- Encouraging and supporting the Ministries of the Parish
- To be a place of support & fellowship for people who have come to Australia through the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility scheme (PALM). To share in faith and food – and to sing together in worship!
- To teach and nurture new believers.
- To respond to human need with loving service.

## **What we are looking for in our next Parish Priest**

- Someone who can lead the Parish in Ministry, administer the sacraments and preach the Gospel;
- Someone who has a demonstrated ability to enable and equip lay people for ministry;
- Someone who is capable of leading the parish in outreach and mission within the community’;
- Someone who can enable learning through teaching, reflection, and bible study.
- Someone who is committed to supporting and developing small groups;
- Someone who is capable in the administration of the church
- Someone who will work collaboratively with the Parish Council to discern vision, identify goals, & develop strategies that will enable the future flourishing of the Parish
- Someone who has the skills to effectively work between generations and cultures.

## **What can the Parish offer the next Priest?**

- The opportunity to lead, teach, and support enthusiastic congregations.
- A Parish Community who are hungry to grow in their relationship with God, and who are willing to risk new things for Mission
- An experienced Parish Council that works collaboratively
- A Parish community which has a well-established relationship with PALM workers (mostly Solomon Islanders).
- The support of gifted volunteers
- The support of a skilled Parish administrator
- An off-site residence with four (4) bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, internal garage, garden shed, air con, water tank. That is only a 5-minute drive to St Michaels.
- A relatively new parish vehicle (white 2025 Mazda CX3 Purchased new. Automatic)

## Parish Strengths

- Faithful core congregation who give generously: both financially and in-kind
- Strong mission focussed, cohesive, and cooperative Parish Council
- Enthusiastic and capable Liturgical Assistants
- Administrative support – employed, part time, Parish Secretary
- A secure and significant income stream from a leased commercial property
- Comfortable, air-conditioned, church with modern AV system (Kingaroy)
- Traditional style of worship service
- Established ministries that include Solomon Island PALM worker ministry; Men’s group; Mothers Union; Meditation – weekly session; Church choir – “Sacred Singers”
- Good ecumenical relationship with other churches
- We are an economically diverse region

## Parish Weaknesses

- Aging congregation with generation gaps evident
- Estimated that only 14% of regular congregation is in paid employment – the remainder are largely on pensions.
- We are maintaining our congregation numbers – but we are not growing
- There is some aging property – particularly the hall at Kingaroy



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*St Michael & All Angels Anglican Church is centrally located in the Kingaroy CBD, across from the Kingaroy Police Station at the T intersection of Alford and Short Streets, Kingaroy.*

## Active Ministries

*(Worship, Education, Outreach and Caring)*

### Church Services

**St Michael & All Angels, Kingaroy**, currently has one service each Sunday:

- A traditional Second Order Holy Communion Service commencing at 8.30 am. This service is looking at 'live' streaming on Facebook and YouTube.

Attendance at these services in 2025 was 2149 with 1883 communicants. Average weekly attendance at St Michael & All Angels has remained quite steady:

2022	36
2023	37
2024	40
2025	41

Baptisms: 2025 (10) Funerals: 2025 (10) Weddings: 2025 (2)

**St Andrew's, Wooroolin**, holds a Second Order Holy Communion Service on the third Sunday at 10.30 am followed by a light morning tea. The parish priest travels from Kingaroy.

Average attendance:

2022	10
2023	12
2024	12
2025	10

Kingaroy is well serviced by churches. Apart from the Anglican Church, there are worshipping communities from the Catholic, Baptist, Presbyterian, Church of Christ, Christian Outreach Centre, Uniting, Highway Christian Church, Church of Latter-day Saints, Market Place, Lutheran, Salvation Army and Seventh Day Adventist traditions. There is a very strong Ministers Fraternal in Kingaroy with most denominations represented. The Fraternal are keen to work together and hold combined Christmas, Easter, and memorial services as well as an annual Christmas Carols Evening.

**Mothers Union** - A monthly group meeting for ladies, at the hall for a BYO lunch with an attendance of up to 20. This is for ladies in the church and the wider community and gives them company and fellowship.

**Confirmation** - 2025 (1) we shared the joy an adult Confirmation, who was baptised the Sunday prior to their Sunday confirmation service.

**Social Gatherings** - Social gatherings include Pancake Day, Men’s Group, Monday Coffee and Chat.

**Meditation** – Held weekly on a Friday at 12.30pm for an hour. Each session is a chance to ‘know thyself’ as well as knowing ‘God is within you’ – these are the gifts of meditation. Meditation asks us to look within for our sustenance and guidance, wherever we may be.

**Outreach and Mission** - St Michael & All Angels support activities within the Kingaroy Community, CTC and Eva’s Place (a young mother’s support group); Bush Church Aid; retiring collection through Mothers’ Union.

**Sacred Singers** – Formed at the beginning of 2026. Members of the choir are from the church and local community. The choir meets weekly on a Saturday afternoon. They sing music in Latin and English.

**Cultural Diversity** – St Michael & All Angels has a small fellowship of PALM workers who come from the Solomon Islands. The PALM scheme aims to address labour shortages in rural and regional Australia. It fills jobs in agriculture and meat processing and provides income for Pacific Islanders to send home. The Solomon Islanders have chosen St Michael’s as their place of worship, and we greatly value them as part of our Parish family.



*Solomon Island dancers offering a blessing at our Easter service  
St Michael & All Angels Anglican Church, Kingaroy*

## Parish Council and Ministry Team

Parish Council consists of 12 members. Meetings are held monthly - every 3rd week. The meeting is a ministry focused / planning meeting examining the ministry/mission activities ahead and the alternate meetings deal with matters pertaining to the running of the parish. The Parish Council has active, committed members who will be very supportive of an incoming minister.

Four Church Wardens. One part-time Parish Administrator (12hrs/week); six Liturgical Assistants. Rosters of people covering all aspects of service including leading prayers, reading, cleaning, morning tea, grounds maintenance, flowers, etc

St Michael & All Angels Church services are displayed on two large screens in a Power Point presentation which includes the liturgy, and song words. A team of musicians deliver a combination of music. Organ music and a couple who play guitars with a country gospel. Worship with music and singing is a large part of our worship.

Hospitality and welcoming are an integral part of our worship and ministry – including morning tea after our Sunday service; catering for funerals; and other Church events together.

## Facilities

- St Michael & All Angels Church is a heritage listed building which was recently repainted.
- St Michael & All Angels Church seats 134 people. The church has reverse cycle, split system air conditioning; and a good AV system.
- St Michael & All Angels Church Hall is old! It can hold 12 tables comfortably with 72 seats. It has a functioning kitchen.
- St Michael & All Angels Ministry Centre incorporates the church office, a priest's office, a large meeting room, a small kitchen, and a toilet. The rooms are air conditioned.
- St Andrew's, Wooroolin, seats 50 people It is a small country church with a tea-room, outside amenities, fans, heaters, TV and a laptop connection.
- Rectory – Is an off-site house at 4 Parkside Drive, Kingaroy. It was purchased in 2022 and is very well maintained.



## History

Kingaroy Parish began its life as one of the many centres in the Parish of Nanango. Over time the Kingaroy area experienced significant growth and it became apparent that to effectively service this area, the Parish of Nanango would need to be divided. So, in 1928 the Diocesan Council made the decision to create the Parish of Kingaroy, thus separating it from Nanango Parish. This newly created parish consisted of 4 churches: Kingaroy, Kumbia, Wooroolin... of which two churches remain.



*St Michael's and the Gilday Center*

**St Michael & All Angels, Kingaroy:** The building of this church began in 1910 and was completed in 1912. On the 14<sup>th</sup> November 1993, St Michael and All Angels Anglican Church was consecrated. In 2010 St Michael's celebrated its Centenary and in that year the church was heritage listed. St Michael & All Angels, Kingaroy serves as the major centre of the Parish. The Parish Hall and Gilday Center, which houses the Parish Office, are in the church grounds.

**St Andrew's, Wooroolin,** The Church of St Andrew, Wooroolin, was opened in 1921. In 1960 the timber church was extended with a meeting room added at the back.

St Andrew's holds monthly services.

## Our wider community

Kingaroy is a rural town in the South Burnett Region, Queensland, Australia. The town is situated on the junction of the D'Aguliar and the Bunya Highways, 218 kilometres, north-west of the state capital Brisbane and 141 kilometres south west of Gympie. It is both the commercial and governing Centre of the South Burnett region offering services, shopping facilities and many of the industries generally expected in much larger centres. In 2025 the locality of Kingaroy had a population of 11,009 people while the total South Burnett population was 34,745.

In many ways Kingaroy is synonymous with red soil, peanuts and navy beans. However, other agricultural industries include beef growing, small crops, and the Duboisia industry.

Kingaroy is centred on one of Australia's largest pork producing regions. In fact, The Swickers Kingaroy Bacon Factory is the largest pork processing plant in the Southern Hemisphere!

The surrounding area has B&B's and farm stays, with lunch and dinner destinations at gardens and wineries

Kingaroy has great schools and medical facilities, a vibrant sporting, cultural and social life, an art gallery, and a range of attractive parklands. There are well-appointed independent living facilities for over 50's, and two Aged Care facilities. In addition, we have Blue Care, South Burnett Care, and Meals on Wheels to help those in need at home.

In contrast, Wooroolin, is a small town of 319 people about 18km away from Kingaroy.



*St Andrew's, Wooroolin Anglican Church is located 15 mins from Kingaroy CBD.*

## What next?

If you have a sense that God may be calling you to the Parish of Kingaroy and would like to discuss this further; or, if you have some questions about the role, please contact the Bishop of the Western Region: Bishop Cam Venables.

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