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As we Celebrate the wonders of Mothers we should remember that we are all called to share God's caring love in all that we do

M.U. MEMBERS MAKE CONNECTIONS AT LADY DAY

BY DIANE GRANT

Bright colourful MU, Diocesan and ABM banners preceded the procession of the Wangaratta Diocesan Bishop John Parkes and his clergy entourage into Trinity Cathedral Wangaratta on the 2017 Lady Day celebration on 29 March

Over 70 MU members and a few brave men, celebrated 73 years of MU in the Diocese.

Connections across the Diocese were once again made by members who travelled from Albury, Benalla, Bright, Corryong, Katandra, Mansfield, Nagambie, Nathalia and Numurkah Rutherglen, Seymour, Wangaratta, Wodonga, and other parts of the Diocese.

At the M.U Lady Day celebrations Bishop John Parkes led the service accompanied by Dean Fr Ken Goodger, with organist Hugh Fullarton on the magnificent cathedral organ.

Diocesan M.U President Mary Muntz and Sue Fyfe, Social Responsibilities member read the Bible passages and intercessory prayers

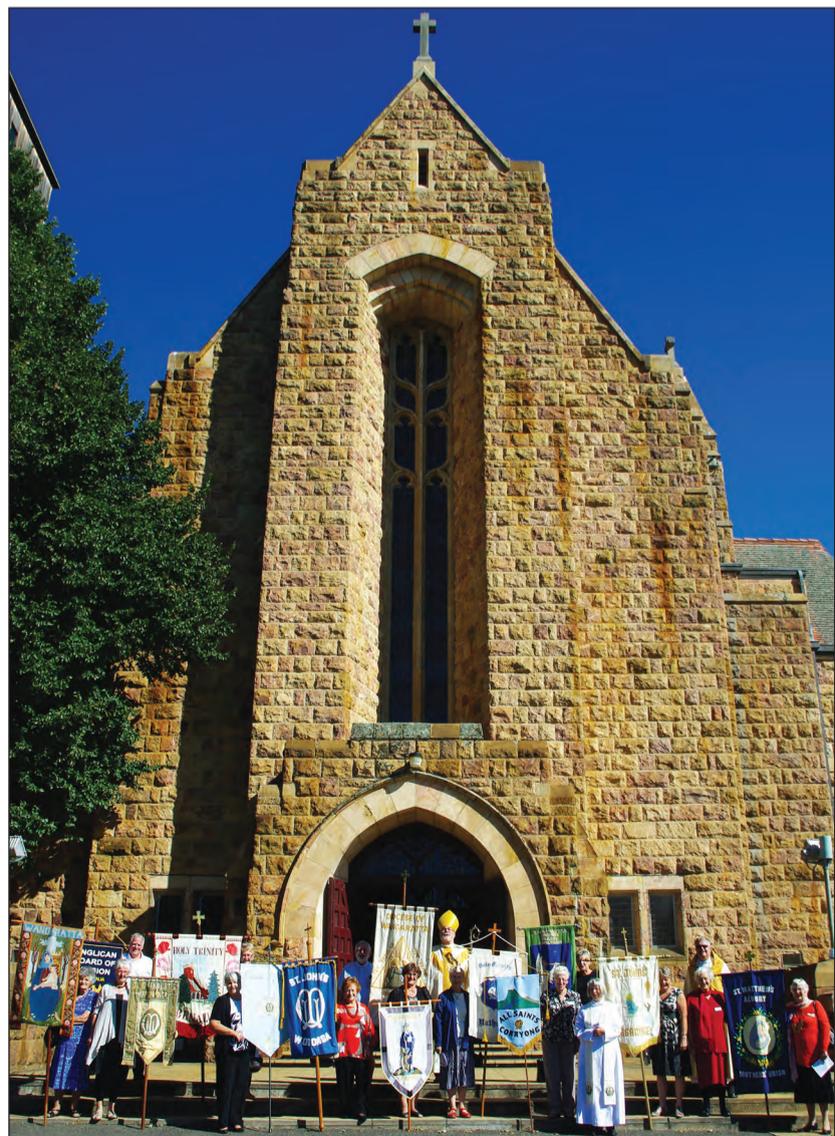
Diocese of Wangaratta MU Chaplain, Reverend Sally Boothey preached the Lady Day sermon based on Mother Mary and the Annunciation.

After communion, Bishop John Parkes and retiring Diocesan President Mary Muntz enrolled Fr David Holloway as the new secretary, Kaye Kennedy as

new treasurer, Reverend Sally Boothey as the Adopt a Theolog coordinator, Karen Atherton as Mia Mia correspondent and Sue Fyfe as Prayer and Spirituality representative.

Bishop John and Mary Muntz enjoyed presenting a few long service MU badges and certificates for 50-60 years long service to Margaret Redmond of Wangaratta 60 yrs, Poss Morrow of Corryong 50 yrs, Leone Hack of Nathalia 50 yrs, Shirley Thorp of Nathalia 50 yrs, Mary Muntz of Nathalia 50 yrs, Noela White of Albury 50 yrs. Judith James of Nathalia was unable to attend to receive her long service recognition.

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Ultreya

When: Saturday 10th June 2017

Where: Holy Trinity Cathedral, crn Ovens & Docker St's, WANGARATTA

Time: 12.30 for bring and share lunch. Ultreya starts at 1.30pm

Please come and join us as we hear a heartfelt witness talk and celebrate our anniversary—not to be missed

A LIFE OF FAITH

BY FIONA TINNEY

On Saturday the 18th March a service of thanksgiving for the Life and Ministry of Fr Lyall Turley was held at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Wangaratta. People came from near and far, young and old, people from inside and outside the church joined his wife Lauris, son Ben and a large extended family. They all gathered to share in this celebration of his life and to bid Fr Lyall a last farewell.

A reflection was given by the Rev'd Canon Dr Scott Cowdell that offered us some insight into the diversity of Fr Lyall's life although it was mentioned that his defining commitments throughout his life were always centred around Family and the Priesthood. Lauris shared that Lyall's call to ministry had been there from a young age and had been nurtured in regular worship, sacred music and CEBS leadership.

His 51 years in the Priesthood began in Morpeth where he was formed for ministry and shortly after he and Lauris were married and began their journey together. Having done curacies in Melbourne, Lyall accepted a call to missionary service in Papua New Guinea opening up yet another chapter and Lyall found a range of new

challenges which he met with his faith as his guide. In 1974 back in Australia they welcomed their son Ben and Lyall continued on his ministry path through various parishes. He served the Lord in the Dioceses of Melbourne, PNG, Canberra-Goulburn, Brisbane and Wangaratta.

He found a new passion in the training and nurturing of new clergy, sharing his wisdom and gentle guidance. He left an indelible impression on many as they developed and explored their own journey in ministry. The clergy and people in the Diocese of Wangaratta are blessed to have had Fr Lyall spend time with us developing clergy and offering his strength and support to all.

Fr Lyall and I often debated the value of photos in the Advocate, particularly his, as he in his humility tried to duck and weave yet another photo opportunity. So as we say farewell to Fr Lyall I hope he will forgive me one last indulgence as we include this article and photos of him.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

My thanks for the use of content from The Funeral Reflection by The Revd Canon Dr Scott Cowdell and the Funeral Sermon from The Very Revd Ken Goodger



Bishops & Clergy alike led the Hearse to the Gate

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT

An opportunity for training and discussion for all involved in Children's or Family Ministry in their local Churches with a workshop planned

for 13th May at Holy Trinity Benalla from 10am-4pm.

The Workshop will be conducted by Leanne Palmer from Scripture Union VIC. Lunch will be provided and dietary requirements needs to be communicated. Please contact the Diocesan Archdeacon for Ministry Development by 3 May via email at besterclearance@gmail.com to book your space




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CROCHET 4 KINDNESS

BY HEATHER GLOURY

Chris Phillips pictured above with her Mum Bev has been donating many crocheted articles in support of Anglicare through St. Margaret's Anglican Guild in Cobram.

Chris was badly injured in a car accident and after her rehabilitation was completed, she needed to keep her hands busy and with the help of her

Mum, decided to set up a Website [facebook.com/crochet4kindness/](https://www.facebook.com/crochet4kindness/). This has resulted in many beautiful treasures being given to Emergency Relief and other welfare programs.

We are all inspired by the endeavour and generosity of this mother and daughter team. Chris accepts donations of wool, stuffed toys, 20cm squares to make into rugs and money to buy yarn.

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M.U. MEMBERS MAKE CONNECTIONS AT LADY DAY

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The Lady Day Eucharist was followed by the gathering of the members and guests in Purbrick Hall for lunch. Mary Muntz welcomed everyone to the Lady Day celebrations and thanked Bishop John for celebrating the Eucharist, and everyone who supported ABM with their donations on the day.

She introduced the guest speaker, Lesley Lewis, who spoke on her United Nations experience, concerning her two week trip to New York, for the

Communion on the Status of Women.

She represented the Australian church and spoke on how she came to be in that position and on the subjects that affected her and the people she met during her trip.

She spoke on the power of women's work, gender quality, the conditions some women live in around the world, and how 20 representatives from 19 countries were able to voice their status of women on human rights, and what they

feel the UN could do for them worldwide.

Lesley was full of praise for all the women she made connections with on issues that concern us here in Australia and across the MU, Ecumenical and Anglican Communion around the globe.

Mary Muntz thanked Lesley for talking about her experience, and showing the enlightening power point presentation of the places she went too during her mission.

TOGETHER IN CHRIST - Chrism Mass 2017

By The Very Rev'd Ken Goodger

On the Tuesday of Holy Week, the 11th of April, clergy and laity from around the Diocese gathered at Holy Trinity Cathedral for the annual Chrism Mass. At this special liturgy, holy oils were blessed by Bishop John for use in the sacramental life of the parishes of our Diocese. For the Oil of the Sick and the

Oil of Catechumens plain olive oil was blessed. The Oil of Chrism was perfumed, this year with Cedarwood.

The Chrism Mass was also an opportunity for the lay people present to reaffirm their baptismal commitment to ministry, and for the clergy and Bishop John to reaffirm our ordination vows.

This liturgy is a wonderful way to enter into the great week of the Christian year as the Bishop is surrounded by the clergy and people of this diocese, whose presence demonstrates our unity with him and with each other in our shared ministry in Christ.



from the Archdeacon



Dear Brothers and Sisters

Following a blessed Holy Week and the Easter celebration, we are now in Easter Tide which will continue until Pentecost Sunday. This is commonly known as the fifty days of Easter and our reflection over the next few Sundays will include some of the post-resurrection stories, the 'I am' sayings of Jesus according to John's gospel account and the setting of Jesus' ministry in that wonderful prayer for unity expressed in John 17. The 10 days from the Ascension of our Lord until Pentecost Sunday is normally described as a time when we pray for Christian unity, but I believe that this needs to be extended beyond a particular religious or faith observance as we embrace, care for and pray for all people everywhere.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is inviting us all during this period to a global wave of prayer and to pray for people in our lives to know the transforming love of Jesus Christ. The Archbishop reminds us: "When people ask me about the purpose of prayer, I often think about the power of praying for those we love". Maybe we, as a Diocesan family, can engage in this prayerful reflection during Easter Tide and especially from 25 May to 4 June. More information about this can be found on <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

During the past few months I have been involved with a few parishes in relation to some ministry development initiatives and hope to bring others on board to share their expertise and resources around the Diocese. This kind of collaboration will assist the Diocese greatly, as we continue to develop the relevant structures in relation to our strategic initiatives as directed by our Diocesan Strategic Plan, Vision and Mission. I am sure that the work of different Task Teams under the banner of the Strategic Planning Operational Team (SPOT) will be highlighted at Synod, as well as the work that is being done around Safe Ministry. Special thanks to all those involved in these processes.

As we celebrate Mother's Day on 14 May, let us give thanks to God for all mothers everywhere for their significant, sacrificial and very special love, care and nurture of all their loved ones. We pray especially for all single mothers in relation to the many challenges they are facing.

Just as we give thanks that Mary the mother of Christ said 'Yes' and was 'theotokos', God-bearer, to the world, we give thanks for our own mothers who brought us into this world. Just as God spoke the world into being and as Mary gave birth to the Word of God, we give thanks for the words our mothers spoke to us - words of love, of guidance, of support, of correction - and we pray that we may also be God-bearers to the world, looking for the power of the Holy Spirit to enable us to make the Word of God known in our parishes and our communities.

Every blessing,

The Ven. Clarence E Bester
Diocesan Archdeacon for Ministry Development

DIOCESAN CALENDAR

MAY

13th	Sat	Ministry Development Workshop - <i>details page 2</i>
23rd	Tue	Bishop in Council
21st	Sun	Hymn Fest, Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Yackandandah, 2pm.
28th	Sun	Rutherglen Ecumenical Hymnalong at St Mary's Catholic Church Rutherglen, 4pm

JUNE

2nd & 3rd	Fri - Sat	SYNOD
10th	Sat	Cursillo Ultreya, Wangaratta - <i>details page 2</i>
10th	Sat	Induction of Canon Glyn Rees, Shepparton, 10am.
20th	Tue	Bishop in Council



Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

THE ENVIRONMENT

BY GILL BAKER

Trees for Life, World Environment Day, 5th June 2017

Mostly we just ignore them. Trees are just part of the scenery, unless they ignite in bushfire season, or fall across the road and block our way, or if we live in a large city, we may rarely see any species, let alone those that that grew millennia before we arrived.

In fact, trees are an essential part of the natural systems that support all animal life on earth, including ours. They provide food and shelter for a variety of creatures from mammals (including us), reptiles and birds and arthropods, and micro-organisms that live deep inside the bark and leaves.

Then consider our own homes, many of which were, and still are,

largely constructed of wood. My dining room setting is made from 'sustainable hardwood', (note sustainability in this context only lasts for a few generations of trees).

But most importantly of all, trees, through photosynthesis, lock up carbon in their wood and produce the oxygen we breathe. Without them we would be in trouble. So as a symbolic gesture to the place of trees in the great world ecosystems, we are suggesting that each Church community plant some trees on the Sunday before or after World Environment Day this year. If possible talk to your local Landcare Facilitator to find an appropriate spot and source some plants indigenous to your locality. If that's not possible, just a decorative tree in the Church grounds would do.



"All things are connected, lose one species and others are affected, including our own. There are no large old growth trees in this picture, vital as habitat for many indigenous mammals and birds. Tree clearing is one of the greatest threats to a future with healthy soils, water systems and biodiversity"

REFUGEES & ASYLUM SEEKERS

BY VAL EDWARDS

On Palm Sunday 2017 Australians joined in rallies calling attention to the unacceptable conditions for refugees in off-shore detention centres in Manus Island and Nauru.

In capital cities and regional centres thousands joined in the call to the Australian government to change its policy relating to these refugees, to allow them to be brought to the mainland and allowed to stay here. In Brisbane the Dean of Saint John's Cathedral was one of the leaders of the rally which culminated at the cathedral where prayers were said for the detainees. In Melbourne the Anglican contingent proudly held its banner high.

Amnesty International statistics from 2016 show Australia currently detains 861 men on Manus Island, and 380 in the

Nauru detention centre, including 45 children. According to Human Rights Watch and Amnesty, these traumatised people who fled to Australia for refuge and were forcibly transferred to Nauru, a remote Pacific Island nation, regularly suffer severe abuse, inhumane treatment and neglect.

A United Nations (UN) report on Manus Island detention centre states the Australian government violates rights of asylum seekers to be free from torture or cruel, inhumane or degrading treatment by failing to provide adequate detention centres. It reports: inadequate living quarters severely overcrowded with up to 112 men in a single dormitory; the centre seriously lacking sufficient drinking water (in a tropical climate); inadequate toilet or bathroom facilities; detainees not provided with basic essentials such as shoes and clothes; at least half of detainees suffering

detrimental severe clinically diagnosed depression, anxiety and stress disorders. We repeatedly hear "illegal" used, referring to refugees and asylum seekers.

In 2016 the UN declared Australia's indefinite detention of refugees illegal. Referring to a specific group of asylum seekers whose treatment mirrors all of those we detain, it called on our government to offer compensation to those incarcerated without charge for up to six years. The UN's Human Rights Committee said in its rebuke, which could harm Australia's ambitions to secure a seat on the powerful UN Human Rights Council:

"Asylum seekers were not allowed to know why they had been deemed security risks, nor were they permitted to see any of the evidence against them, or contest it. They were held in detention indefinitely, without facing charge or trial, without any access to courts."

The UN found the refugees' detention arbitrary and contrary to their right to liberty because the Australian government failed to justify why refugees presented a security risk.

The committee ruled that healthcare to address their mental health concerns was insufficient, indefinite detention on secret grounds causing "serious psychological harm" which could not be addressed by treatment in

detention.

The Human Rights Committee has now found violations in 51 cases it has studied of refugees incarcerated by Australia under ASIO "adverse assessments".

Professor Ben Saul, Chair of international law at Sydney University, representing the refugees stated Australia's breaches of international human rights law were "egregious and sustained. Short of torture or execution, indefinite detention is the worst thing you can do to a person under international human rights law.

"These people have not been proved to have done anything wrong. No evidence has ever been presented to them that they have broken any law. It is not illegal to seek asylum. It is illegal to detain asylum seekers indefinitely."

In April 2016 The PNG supreme court ordered the closure of the Manus Island processing centre. It found detention of asylum seekers and refugees there illegal and in breach of the country's constitution.

Apart from the appalling conditions refugees are kept in, they are not safe from intrusions by the local community which resents their presence. On Good Friday evening, reported by a worker at the Centre bound by a compulsory confidentiality clause, "20+ shots were fired during a dispute with locals. Staff, but not

refugees, were evacuated".

Asylum seekers say no-one is safe at Manus detention centre.

Daniel Webb, director of legal advocacy at the Human Rights Law Centre, said the violence was further proof that Malcolm Turnbull "must immediately evacuate the camp and bring the men to safety in Australia.

Most of the 861 men on Manus were found to be refugees years ago. Good Friday's attack left them terrified and - after up to four years of fear, violence and limbo - completely exhausted."

Reinforcing the calls of the Palm Sunday rallies to "Bring them here: Let them stay", Amnesty supports the plea from Manus Island that "Enough is enough.

As Christians called to seek justice, and to show love and compassion, the only response for our church is to continue to work towards the closure of the off-shore processing centres, and detainees freed from detention and granted asylum within Australian communities.

Photo left taken by Tony Robertson. Members of the Combined Unions Choir in St. John's Cathedral, Anglican Cathedral Brisbane.



Mother's day Blessing for May 14th 2017



200 year Bible Society Celebrations. Pictured from L - R Rev'd Sandra Temple, Canon Glyn Rees, Dr. John Harris, and Kath White

Celebrating Bibles

BY NERIDAH MILDERN

The weekend of March 24-26, 2017, was a great time for Bibles in the North-East. To celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the Bible Society in Australia, Albury's main street venue, QEII Square, was the venue for a big youth event on the Friday night with the renowned big band, Planet Shakers, to be followed the next day by the first-ever Antique Bible Road Show along with a Family Fun Day. It was a truly local and interdenominational event. Readings, Bible Stories and puppet shows were presented by various churches, Army chaplains and local book sellers mounted stall displays, choirs and bands presented Christian music old and new, a wonderful bi-centenary publication of indigenous Christian art was released,

and a Bicentennial Cake was ceremonially cut by Governor Macquarie, accompanied by a charming Mrs Macquarie (played by the resplendently-costumed Rev. Glyn and Mrs Liesel Rees, of St John's Anglican Church, Wodonga). In the Bible marquee, more than fifty Bibles of historic or family interest were brought along by members of the public for appraisal by the Bible Society's expert, Dr John Harris, with genealogical assistance from the Wodonga Family History Society.

The next day, Sunday, Dr Harris preached at St John's, Wodonga, and after the service treated us to an intriguing and informative talk about the particular historic Bibles that he had brought along from the Bible Society's extensive collection in Bible

House, Canberra. Included amongst them was a unique collection of affordable Bible sections issued like a serial by the boy-King Edward VI (Henry VIII's son) so that his people could gradually acquire their own Bible. A very different exhibit was a military-issue breast-pocket New Testament with shrapnel still embedded, thus saving an Australian WWI soldier's life. In the course of our time together, Dr Harris explained about the many interactive steps necessary before an aboriginal community, for example, with no written tradition, can produce the Scriptures in their own tongue. Without such intervention in the past, many languages would have passed out of existence. We are very grateful to Dr Harris for this fascinating insight into the Bible story.

Volunteers Week

Volunteers Week, running from the 8th-14th of May marks significant dates on the calendar for community organisations. The week involves several different events across the nation to acknowledge the generosity of volunteers and their positive contribution to society. Many of us could not open the doors without volunteers and this week nationally recognizes them for their work.



This saying captures the act wonderfully, "volunteers are not paid not because they are worthless, it is because they are priceless." The Wangaratta Diocese are asking that you please get involved in any volunteer celebrations across the Diocese to support and show your appreciation for local volunteers. Events such as morning teas, breakfasts and sausage sizzles will be held across Victoria in addition to open days, awards ceremonies, street parades, garden parties and movie nights.

Visit: <https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/nw/> for more information.

Anglicare Victoria Partnership Group

The Anglicare Victoria Partnership Group is a network of small, local groups constructed from Anglican parishes who simultaneously agree to aim to support and advocate for Anglicare Victoria through their work for vulnerable families, children, young people, and persons in the community. Their main objectives are to raise the profile and awareness of Anglicare Victoria, to generate an appreciated and dynamic Partnership network, to deliver a forum for creative thoughts, to network within parishes and parishioners alongside other involved parties throughout Victoria and lastly to fundraise for Anglicare Victoria.

The Anglicare Victoria Partnership Group is a fantastic way for members of the Anglican community to support what Anglicare provides to the community. These groups are used to raise the awareness of Anglicare Victoria, prayer groups, social groups and fundraising. Any Parish or social group can register and become involved. Through these Partnership Groups, Anglicare Victoria are able to organise guest speakers and provide support through the Parish partnership's staff.

For an overview of the Partnership visit the Anglicare Victoria Website www.anglicarevic.org.au and click on the tab "Get involved". For help or any questions, please contact on phone (03) 9412 6133 or email partnershipgroup@anglicarevic.org.au

Is it time for a change?

We invite licensed Clergy to offer expressions of interest for Parish vacancies within the Diocese. Vacancies in parishes such as Yarrawonga and Northern Albury offer a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in Regional Victoria and become part of the fabric of the local community.

The people we are seeking will be committed to growing vibrant and inclusive communities of faith. They will be in touch with contemporary church debates and committed to engaging the church in the life of the community. This Diocese is focused on providing prayerful, loving and caring ministry, celebrating the love of Christ in all that we do.

The Diocese of Wangaratta covers north east Victoria and the Albury border of NSW. This is a beautiful part of the country and together Bishop, clergy and people work hard to serve the Lord.

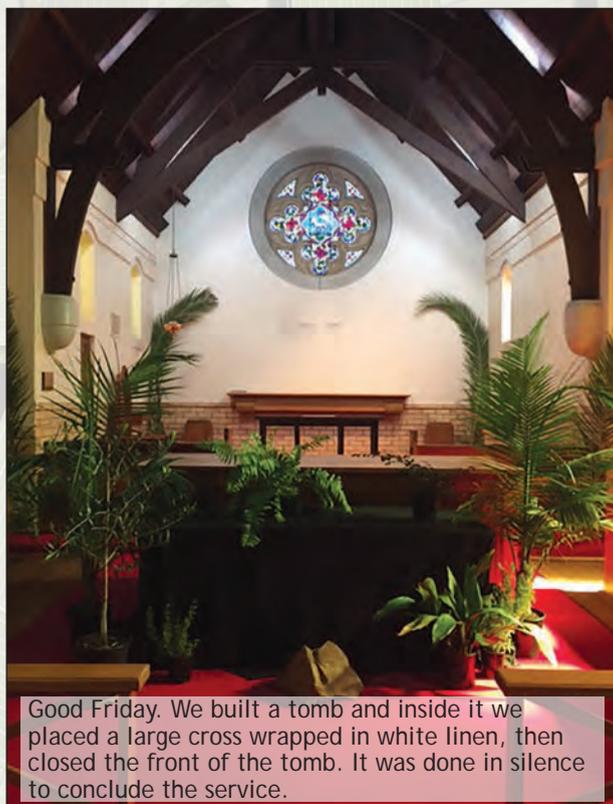
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EASTER AT ST JOHN'S, MANSFIELD



Palm Sunday at St John's, Mansfield.



Good Friday. We built a tomb and inside it we placed a large cross wrapped in white linen, then closed the front of the tomb. It was done in silence to conclude the service.



Easter Sunday. The open tomb and folded linen cloth.



Mothers Union News and Events for 2017

BY MARY MUNTZ

The congregations of the Anglican Church recognize the fourth Sunday in Lent as Mothering Sunday. This is day when we pay tribute to the part our mothers have played in our lives. We show our appreciation with a gift that was made for the occasion, a white handkerchief, a box of chocolates or posy of flowers. A celebratory meal brought the family together.

The celebration of recognition and appreciation of mothers has been embraced by the secular community. The simplicity of Mothers' Day gifts has been overtaken by commercial marketing. Children of all ages now are encouraged to offer expensive gifts to their mothers. The clever marketing of large enterprises may possibly cause disappointment for young children when the desired gift could cost more than is affordable.

On Lady Day Lesley Lewis mentioned Harriet and Joy from South Sudan. Harriet is a Mothers' Union member from South Sudan and Joy is a member of the government. These two women spoke at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women. They are working to bring about peace in a country beset with violence, war and the hardships caused by famine. While Australian women will be celebrating Mother's day next month there are many families around the world who have no opportunity to celebrate. Millions of mothers have lost their children to famine, diseases, child trafficking and the horrors of war. We are fortunate in Australia to have a special opportunity to show our appreciation of our mothers.

"Sharing Christ's love by encouraging, strengthening and supporting marriage and family life."

Palm Sunday on Phillip Island

BY CAROLINE BURGE

The Mariapolis (City of Mary) is an annual Focolare gathering where youth and adults can experience how life is transformed when the Gospels are put into practice in our daily lives. Every year in all the continents and in many countries, the Focolare movement holds these retreats often combined with holiday recreational activities.

Between the evening of 6th April and after lunch on Palm Sunday, Anne, Norman and Peter Rose of Kilmore Parish with about 150

young and older people attended the Mariapolis for Victoria and South Australia at Phillip Island. At each Mariapolis, which in Australia is mostly attended by Roman Catholics, a daily Mass is held. At a number of recent Mariapolis Father John Young a retired priest in the Kilmore parish, has attended and led the Eucharist services and prayer life for attending non-Catholics. At Father John's suggestion for Palm Sunday he and Father Bruno Carrera of the Focolare Movement and the Roman Church conducted a combined service up until after

the prayers of the faithful when Father John and the Anglican worshipers moved into another room to complete the Eucharist.

The Focolare Movement is an international organization that promotes the ideals of unity and universal brotherhood. Founded in 1943 in Trento, northern Italy by Chiara Lubich as a religious movement, the Focolare Movement, though primarily Roman Catholic, now has strong links to the major Christian denominations and other religions.



PHOTO ABOVE: Part of the service shared by both churches.

THE BEAUTY OF CREATION St Stephen's Flower Festival & Fete

BY FR PETER TINNEY

For the past 17 years on the weekend of Mothering Sunday, the Parish of Rutherglen Chiltern has held the St Stephen's Flower Festival. Coordinator of the event, Mrs Wendy Chambers, chooses a theme for the flower arrangements - often it is a Biblical theme, and this year it was around Birds from Scripture. We thank Wendy for her commitment and energy in organising the arrangements with the floral artists some of whom have been involved for many years.

During the liturgy on Mothering Sunday the Flower arrangements are blessed as a thanksgiving for their contribution

to the life of the Parish and the beauty of our worship space.

We are truly grateful for those who spend hours in preparation for the day and then significant amounts of time to assemble their creations in the Church on the Friday afternoon. People visit from across the diocese as far away as Marysville and many from Wangaratta, Beechworth, Albury and elsewhere.

During the past couple of years, we have added a Parish Fete to the weekend, which has been very successful. It is a busy weekend, but it offers a broader engagement with the local community, and good revenue for the parish.



Back in Christ Church..just in time for Easter!

BY CAROLINE BURGE

As readers of the Advocate or followers on our parish Facebook page or website will have been reading over the last four months, Christ Church, Kilmore has had a make over! Renovations started after the final service on new years day, and after 14 weeks of worshipping at the local Senior Citizens Centre, parishioners were back in the church by Palm Sunday.

A tremendous effort by Project Manager and parishioner Ian Staring who over-saw the whole project either by doing the work himself with

his company or by outsourcing to painters, carpet layers, electricians, plumbers etc. After a few setbacks of rotting floorboards and rendering that had peeled away, the project stayed on track to be back in by Easter.

Many working bees later including one final one on March 8th to get the furniture back into the church, and we were back "home".

The project will be ongoing with a new entrance to be built, landscaping the front of the church and re-rendering the flower vestry - so watch this space!

EASTER FUN AT NAGAMBIE KIDS CLUB

BY DIANE GRANT

For quite a few years now, St John's Anglican Church in Nagambie has held a children's ministry school holiday activity program for a day in their hall and grounds. The school holiday program is a children's outreach program and has proved to be successful for children during school holidays in Nagambie.

As discovered in past Kids Club programs, the key to success are to keep the kids occupied 90 percent of the time and let them eat for the other 10 percent of the time. This proved successful once again.

This year, children from both Nagambie schools came along to the Easter Kids Club held on Tuesday, April 4 where St John's volunteers Diane Grant and Marlene Brew, assisted by Reverend Gary Atherton and his wife Karen, kept the kids busy for over five hours.

They enjoyed the day as much as the children and the families were happy to support the program for those wanting a well run activity for children during the holidays.

The Easter holiday program



kept the children occupied by making Easter crowns, doing the actions while learning an Easter song. Making their own chocolate Easter eggs, playing games, painting plaster models and they enjoyed Reverend Gary and Karen's Easter puppet play with Toby the "Super Jesus" lover, and Naggy the Lake Nagambie Monster.

They finished the morning's activities off by playing Chasey then lifting the ever popular parachute game in the church grounds.

They all enjoyed a sausage sizzle, hot dogs, fruit and drinks for lunch before donning Easter crazy hats and taking part in the Kids Club disco statues game before making craft owls and wombats for Easter gifts for

their family.

It was fun to see the children load up their Easter loot bags with their craft and Easter egg items and head off home very happy after their day's fun.

St. John's church folk Diane and Marlene, Reverend Gary and Karen would like to thank all who supported the Kids Club program, especially the kids for their wonderful support and good behaviour.

Thanks to those who assisted in anyway, those who cooked, washed and cleaned up. Every little bit helped make the Kids Club holiday program a great success once again.

DEVELOPING MINISTRY TOGETHER

BY FR CLARENCE BESTER



Parish development and planning throughout a congregation life cycle is of paramount importance if we want to ensure an effective mission and ministry structure. Planning activities are often connected to the financial sustainability and well-being of a Parish through a stewardship programme focussed on planned giving or free-will offering. Meeting budgetary requirements as important as it is, sometimes blurs the vision of a vibrant ministry action plan when the focus is overwhelmed by financial survival. A blurred vision, lack of energy and enthusiasm very often maintains the usual pattern of how mission and ministry activities have been conducted over many years.

Strategic Planning and Development provides Parishes and congregations the opportunity to set a number of directions in place to assist them within the planning process of a desired outcome within a particular time frame. This information are derived from a series of discussions about previous ministry plans and initiatives, the contextual analysis of a congregation and envisioning the future directions following a process of a SWOT (Strength, Weaknesses - though I prefer Challenges, Opportunities and Threats) Analysis. The outcome of this should lead to a set of missional initiatives to support the vision with clear-cut time frames.

Any strategic plan is only as good as the implementation thereof. The document is not for filing but action and should be owned by the entire congregation, be clear, precise, easily understood and achievable. The plan should inform the actions to be taken for an innovative and intentional discipleship programme that will take into consideration the gospel imperative of the dominical demand of Jesus in Matthew 28:19-20 and the ministry structure of Jesus training, equipping and preparing the disciples for ministry.



Quite a few Parishes have engaged in this process already and it is hoped that all Parishes will have their own Strategic Development Plans in due course. Those who need assistance with their process are welcome to contact me for any advice or assistance.



PHOTO ABOVE: The big jewellery stall at the Benalla fete held in the Eagles Hall. Photo by Lindsay Thomas

Fete & Food Fair held at the Parish of Benalla

BY MOLLY CRAIG

Saturday 18 March saw the day dawn brightly and busy parishioners gathered very early in the morning to set up for our annual Fete and Food Fair. We were fortunate to have the Mayor, Don Firth open the event for us where he congratulated us about the work that the Benalla parish are doing in the community, particularly the Breakfast Club at Benalla P-12 College. It was a delight to see so many members

of our communities there, enjoying themselves and for us to be able to showcase our Parish. Congratulations to the Fete Committee for their efforts in organising and to all those parishioners who came and worked so hard before hand and on the day to make it our most successful fete for many years. We also would like to thank those people who aren't parishioners, but generously donated goods for sale and their time and talents to make such a wonderful day happen.

Matthew McInnes Award

BY MARGARET BRICKHILL

Each year since 1998 the Matthew McInnes Award has been presented during Synod to recognise outstanding service to the youth of the Diocese of Wangaratta.

Last year's recipient was Michael Groves whose many leadership roles and contributions to the community of Wangaratta included Captain of Cathedral College Wangaratta and as a long-time Cathedral Chorister.

Earlier this year Michael was named Young Citizen of the Year during the Australia Day celebrations of the Rural City of Wangaratta.

The Matthew McInnes Award was established by Fr Ray and Mrs Glenys McInnes to honour their son Matthew who died in a car accident not long before Fr Ray became Dean of the Cathedral following his years as Rector of Benalla. Matthew had been very active in youth ministry in the diocese.

Now is the time to consider possible persons or groups who might be nominated for this award in 2017. Nominations should be sent to the Bishop by Friday 26 May. Post nominations to PO Box 457, Wangaratta 3676 or email bishop@wangeratta-anglican.org.au.



REFLECTIONS

From Fr Peter Macleod-Miller - St Matthew's Albury

John Henry Newman had a faith that looked forward and for his day was amazingly adventurous. It was a faith that broke down barriers and controversially he became a Roman Catholic moving from solid Anglican roots and may have even become something else had he lived long enough. He stands in the same tradition as the much later Sydney Carter who wrote the Lord of the Dance, being a free thinker.

*Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all His words most wonderful,
Most sure in all His ways.*

*O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.*

*O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against the foe,
Should strive and should prevail.*

The Easter services had record numbers and even our newly cleared Lady Chapel being full of seats had every seat taken. The Easter Day was full of life with children running around and the delight of new chicks, including a new member of the Chick family, Isabella being welcomed into the St Matthews family through baptism.

I fully expect that the challenging themes of Lent with a series of speakers on contemporary themes will continue throughout the year. Already on the first Sunday of Easter, St George's Day, we hosted the 1st Albury Rovers joining with the Scout movement across the world thinking about doing our best for the community and environment. The Adani Coal mine and its threat to the environment, including the Great Barrier Reef and the threat to society both in Australia and India were a focus of Lauriston Muirhead's address and an opportunity for action in the spirit of St George through a petition.

Out of evil cometh good. The near miss that almost saw another devastating fire in St Matthews back in January is the reason that scaffolding to clean the damage will be erected this week necessitating some alternatives. Our friends at St David's Uniting Church have kindly offered their hospitality so we are able to worship with them at 9.30am for the next 2 Sundays (30th April and 7th May). Later in the year when St David's has their roof done we will glad to return the compliment. We share so much often quietly through material aid and social issues and in previous generations would have been thought too much on the wild side but for this fire has opened another opportunity for which we are grateful.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness will celebrate our 1st Sunday back in a well cleaned church on Mother's Day.

The RSL National Congress also opens the way for a Vice-Regal visit to St Matthews in May. We hosting a vice regal reception at Adamshurst on the 23rd May and hoping to host a Gala Concert on 22nd May at St Matthews particularly in honour of his visit and the RSL. More details as they come to hand.

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH



BY DIANE GRANT

The meaning of the Christian Holy Week from Palm Sunday to Easter Day was explained at the 9 April, Palm Sunday family service at St John's Anglican church.

Palm branches adorned the church inside and out.

A small cut out depicting Jesus on a donkey was displayed in the front of the altar with palm branches and clothes strewn on the floor.

Parishioners carried palm fronds at the start of the service and were handed out hand sized palm crosses made especially to remember the first Palm Sunday when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey.

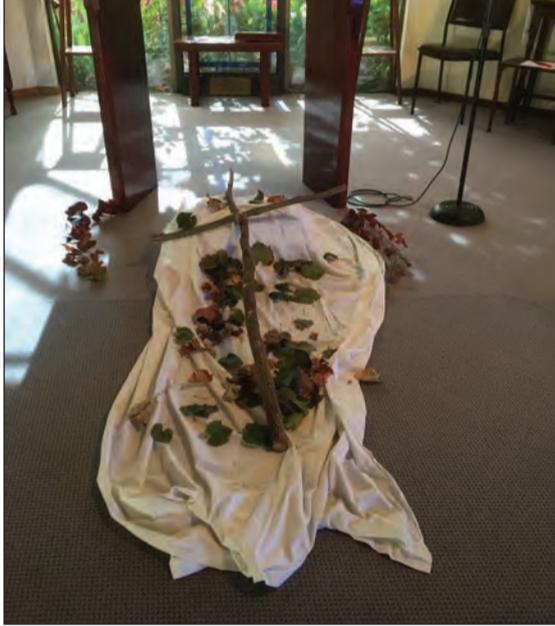
Reverend Gary Atherton and his wife Karen and Naggy the Lake Nagambie Monster puppet provided a picture story game on the screen and a short puppet play that explained the message of the first Easter to those who braved the first real cold Sunday of the year.

A barbecue lunch was enjoyed by the parish folk and members of the Nagambie Lakes Men's shed, who were thanked by the church families for the loan of their bbq to cook their snags on.

The next family service is on Sunday May 7. 11am. This is a new outreach program by St John's. Let's hope some more families can make it to ensure that their children can be introduced into the Christian faith.

EASTER AT ST MARGARET'S, COBRAM

BY REV'D MARYANN LEONARD



Good Friday at St Margaret's Cobram was very different this year. We went on a journey of anguish, pain, love, faith and hope. The service was experienced through the eyes of the women who were with Jesus at his death.

The cross, the shroud, the scented oil, the Autumn leaves, were symbols of a life thought lost, even if only for a short time. The emotional turmoil that must have been running through the veins of all who loved Jesus was palpable within the confines of our sacred space. It was 'good' as Jesus died for us.

We know what happens on Easter morning; we rejoice the Risen Christ. But for that snapshot in time, we remember a man, the Son of God paying the price for our sins and in our minds eye, what it could have been like for those who loved this man the Son of God.

Holy Week and Easter in the Parish of Kilmore

BY CAROLINE BURGE

Our parish clergy across the diocese (and indeed the whole world) put so much into Holy Week and Easter to bring the true meaning of Christ's death and resurrection to parishioners. Our churches listen to the Palm Sunday readings; the reflections of Holy Week; the Last Supper and Foot Washing on Maundy Thursday; and the Passion on Good Friday; before coming together for the joy of the resurrection on Easter Day.

Kilmore parish was no different to everywhere else. A wonderful week of reflection, emotion and wonder - from the starkness of the church after the stripping of the altar on Maundy Thursday to the bare and rugged cross on Good Friday. The Good Friday liturgies around the parish included the carrying in of the bare cross by the men in the parish, to be laid upon a white shroud carried by the women. Oil and petals were then sprinkled over

the cross. So much meaning and so much passion.

How many parishes then had a working bee on Saturday to put everything back in the church - this time with flowers and beauty compared to the bareness of Good Friday.

At Christ Church, Easter Day started with the Easter Vigil liturgy at dawn. As the sun rose (albeit behind a cloud) on this most holy day, parishioners gathered outside for the lighting of the new fire and the blessing of the new paschal candle before processing into a darkened church for the Service of Light. As the lights came, the organ fired up for the gloria and daylight came through the windows, the church came to life once again. A wonderful service indeed. A parish breakfast of fish kedgerree and hot cross buns followed in the hospitality area at Christ Church before the main Easter Eucharist.

Christ is Risen - He is Risen Indeed!





Resources for National Reconciliation Week

This National Reconciliation Week, let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

National Reconciliation Week, 27 May - 3 June, is a vital week in the church's calendar for which ABM has produced free resources.

The Revd Jazz Dow, ABM Missioner said, "The week is an intentional period of time set aside for listening to the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, prayer for reconciliation, education about Australian history and current policies, and for the renewing of our individual and corporate commitment to the task of reconciliation."

Resources are available for free at www.abmission.org/reconciliation and include liturgical resources, bible studies and a feature magazine.

The special National Reconciliation Week edition of Partners magazine will focus on the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians from around the Anglican Church, and the significant gift that these voices offer the national church. In this edition you will find articles that speak of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander theologies, incarceration rates of indigenous peoples, updates from NATSIAC, and an interview with Blake Prize winning artist, Frances Belle Parker, Yaegel woman.

Liturgical resources are available for use in worship during NRW. These resources have been compiled by Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and non-indigenous Anglicans in a spirit of reconciliation and seeking more authentically "Australian" worship resources.

The Revd Glenn Loughrey, a Wiradjuri man, artist and priest-in-charge of St Oswald's Anglican Church in Melbourne has written Bible study resources to help Anglicans engage with the significant week. Glenn uses a powerful combination of art, poetry and story to explore the experience of exile as a means of transforming injustice.

ABM has also designed a poster you may like to use in your church or school during the week and beyond. This poster acknowledges and celebrates the traditional owners of this land and these waters we call Australia and is a reminder of the need for a renewed commitment to reconciliation.

Recently, a group of ABM staff gathered for a retreat at Campfire in the Heart, Alice Springs.

The Revd Jazz Dow, ABM Missioner, said, "During our ABM team retreat in the dessert, we acknowledged the need for a renewed listening process in the church, listening to the land and water. Something that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have done for centuries. In this listening we will hear of the kingdom of God, of power reversal, of reconciliation, of the interconnectedness and interdependence of all being. In listening we give recognition. Land is not Terra Incognita, it holds within a story of peoples who have respected it for thousands of years, and who still call for a respect and renewal of the earth."

The National Reconciliation website highlights that in 2017, we reflect on two significant anniversaries in Australia's reconciliation journey - 50 years since the 1967 referendum, and 25 years since the historic Mabo decision.

It notes, "As we commemorate these significant milestones, we ask all Australians to be a part of the next big steps in our nation's reconciliation journey."

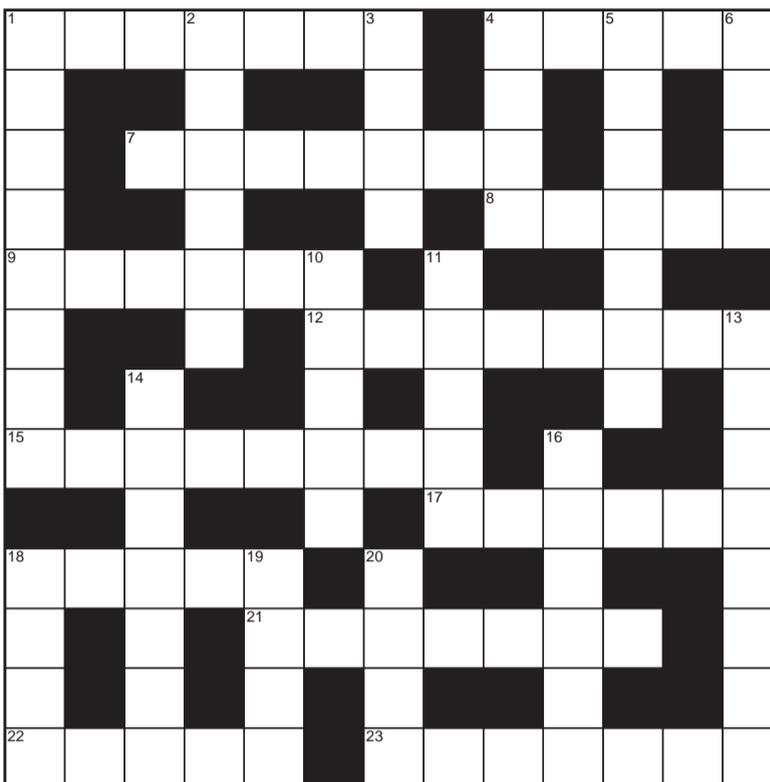
Join ABM and share these reconciliation resources in your communities.

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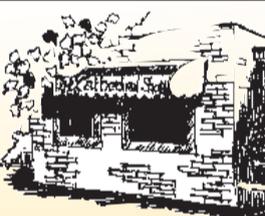
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Mothers Day Craft - Take Home Tea Cup

Need a craft for a special Mother's Day service? We all know how much kids love to give Mum gifts- and she sure deserves them! This Mother's Day craft gives kids something to do and leaves them with something special to give to Mum. No shopping required.

What You'll Need

- Cardstock (bright or pastel colors work well)
- Markers • Pencils • String • Safety scissors • Glue • Paper
- Stapler • Tape • Tea Bags (individually wrapped)



How to Make the Take Home Tea Cup

1. Place one sheet of cardstock on a flat surface. The short sides should be at the top and bottom.
2. Fold the bottom edge up matching the top edge. Smooth the crease with your hand.
3. Use a pencil to draw a tea cup shape on the folded cardstock. For younger children, you could make a cut out to trace. The bottom of the cup cutout should line up with the folded crease.
4. Keeping the cardboard folded, cut out the shape. Don't cut it in half. Carefully poke a hole in the cup handle and cut it out.
5. Glue the two tea cups together on three sides. Leave the top of the cup open. Set the cup aside to let it dry for a few minutes.
6. Cut out a small square of paper to be used as a tea bag tag.
7. Write a sweet note on the tag.
8. Tape the paper to a piece of string.
9. Staple the other end of the string inside the cup.
10. Color a pretty pattern on the outside of the tea cup. You could also write, "Happy Mother's Day!"
11. Slide the tea bag inside the cup.

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Mothers of the Bible Crossword

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Regular Parish Service Times

HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL, WANGARATTA

Sunday 8.00am Holy Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist	Wednesday 10.00am Eucharist	Saturday 6.00pm Saturday @ 6	Morning Prayer Daily at 9.00am (except Sunday)	Evening Prayer Daily at 5.00pm
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ALBURY	CORRYONG	NORTHERN ALBURY	WANGARATTA
St Matthew's, Albury Sunday 9am Sung Eucharist 1st Sunday 5pm Evensong 3rd Sunday 10.30am Children's Church Last Sunday of Month 9am Matins and Holy Communion	All Saints Corryong Eucharist 9.30am every Sunday Holy Trinity Cudgewa 3rd Sunday 11.30am Eucharist Tennis Club Biggara 1st Sunday 2pm Eucharist	St. Mark's North Albury 10am Sunday; 9.30am Wednesday. St. James' Lavington 8.30am 1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays; 10am Thursday. St. John's Thurgoona 9am 1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays. St. Paul's Jindera 10.30am 1st & 3rd Sundays. Messy Church St. Mark's 4pm 2nd Sunday	All Saints Moyhu 1st Sunday 9.30am Eucharist Holy Trinity Whitfield 3rd Sunday 11am Eucharist Christ Church Greta 3rd Sunday 9am Eucharist
ALEXANDRA	EUROA	NUMURKAH	WANGARATTA WEST & WARBYS
St John's, Alexandra Sunday 9.30am Eucharist	St Paul's Euroa Sunday 9.30am Eucharist Wednesday 10am St Andrew's Longwood 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 8am St Dunstan's Violet Town 2nd & 4th Sunday 11.30am	St George's Numurkah Sunday 10.30am Sung Eucharist Holy Trinity Nathalia Sunday 9.00am Eucharist 4th Tuesday 10.00am Eucharist St Paul's Wakiti Creek 1st Sunday 7.30am Holy Communion	St Michael's Wangaratta West Sunday 9.30am Tuesday 10am St Paul's Glenrowan Sunday 11am St George's Taminick 1st & 3rd Sunday 8am St Johns Village Chapel Tuesday 10am + Saturday 5pm
ALPINE	KILMORE	RUTHERGLEN CHILTERN	WODONGA
All Saints, Bright Wednesdays 9:30am Sunday 11am Eucharist St Paul's Myrtleford Sunday 9.15am Eucharist Wednesday 11am Eucharist St John's Whorouly Sunday 8am Eucharist St Etheldreda's Harrierville 3rd Thursday 10.30am Eucharist	Christ Church Kilmore Sunday 9am Sung Eucharist 4th Sunday 5pm Meditation Service St Matthew's Broadford Sunday 11am Holy Eucharist St Stephen's Tallarook Sunday 11am Holy Eucharist Church of the Transfiguration Pyalong 1st & 3rd Sunday 4pm Holy Eucharist 5th Sunday 11am Family Service rotates between Broadford, Tallarook and Pyalong see parish website for Church	St Stephen's Rutherglen Sunday 8.45am Eucharist Wednesday 11am Eucharist (Glenview Home) Thursday 9.00am Eucharist (M.U. on 2nd) All Soul's Barnawartha 2nd & 4th Sunday 10.45am Eucharist Browns Plains 3rd Sunday 7.45am Kids Church during Term 5th Sun 10.45am St Paul's Chiltern 1st & 3rd Sunday 10.45am Eucharist Wednesday 9.00am Eucharist Christ the King Wahgunyah 4th Saturday 6pm Eucharist	St John's Wodonga Saturday 6pm Vigil Eucharist Sunday 7.30am Eucharist 9.30 am Sung Eucharist 1st & 3rd Sundays 9am Sung Eucharist Emmanuel 5th Sunday 7pm Choral Evensong Mon & Tue 8.30am meditation 9am Morning prayer Wednesday 9am Meditation 10am Eucharist & 5pm Evensong Holy Trinity Bethanga 2nd & 4th Sunday 9.30am Eucharist
BEECHWORTH	MANSFIELD	SHEPPARTON	YACKANDANDAH
Christ Church Beechworth Sunday 10am Sung Mass 5th Sunday 10am Healing service One service for the Parish St Jude's Eldorado 1st & 3rd Sundays 10am Morning Prayer 2nd & 4th Sundays Contact Sue Hall (03) 5725 1477	St John's Mansfield Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion Thursdays 10.30am Holy Communion Thursdays 5.30pm Meditation Friday 12 noon Meditation Christ Church Bonnie Doon 2nd Sunday 11.30am Anglican Church Service 4th Sunday 11.30am - Uniting Church Service St Peter's Jamieson 1st Sunday 11.30am Holy Communion	St Augustine's Shepparton Sunday: Eucharist 8.30am, 10.30am (Family Service), Evening Prayer 5.30pm Fifth Sunday: combined service 9.30am Wednesday: Eucharist 10am St. Luke's Dookie Sunday: 8.45am: Eucharist 1st, 3rd Sundays; Morning Prayer 2nd, 4th Sundays Christ Church Murchison Sunday: 11am: Eucharist 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays; Morning Prayer 4th Sunday St. Paul's Rushworth Sunday : 9am: Eucharist 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays; Morning Prayer 4th Sunday Fifth Sunday combined Murchison/Rushworth service.	Holy Trinity Yackandandah 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays 10.30am Eucharist 4th Sunday Morning prayer St Mark's Tangambalanga 1st & 3rd Sunday 8.45am Morning Prayer 2nd & 4th Sunday Eucharist St Paul's Allan's Flat 1st & 3rd Sunday 9am Eucharist 4th Sunday Morning prayer St Andrew's Dederang 1st & 3rd Sunday 7.30pm 4th Sunday 10.30am Eucharist
BENALLA	MARYSVILLE	TALLANGATTA	YARRAWONGA
Holy Trinity, Benalla Sunday 8am Eucharist 9.30am Sung Eucharist Monday 10am Eucharist (Cooinda Nursing Home) Thursday 9.30am Eucharist St Paul's Gooramab 1st Sunday 5pm Eucharist St Aidan's Swanpool 2nd & 4th Sunday 11.15am Eucharist	Marysville 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 10.00am St Thomas Buxton 2nd & 4th Sunday 10am	Christ Church Tallangatta Sunday 9.00 am 4th Sunday Family Service 10.30 am	St Cuthbert's Yarrowonga Sunday 7am Eucharist 10am Eucharist Monday 11am (off site) Wednesday 10am (chapel) Morning Office weekday 8.45am (exclude. Mon & Sat) St Thomas' St James 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday 8.30am
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COBRAM	MILAWA	MT BEAUTY/TAWONGA	YEA
St Margaret's Cobram Sunday 9-9.15am reflection time 9.30am Eucharist 5th Sunday Parish Eucharist Wednesday 10am. St Aidan's Strathmerton 2nd & 4th Sunday 11.15am Eucharist.	St Paul's Milawa 2nd & last Sunday 9am Eucharist	St Aidan's Tawonga 1st and 3rd Sunday at 5.00pm	St Luke's Yea Sunday 9.15am Holy Eucharist Thursday 9am Morning Prayer

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

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PHOTO CAPTIONS

1. Enjoying a chat at the St Stephens Rutherglen Flower Festival & Fete are Bill & Marie Meagher, Janice Thomas & Jayne Jarrad
2. Lesley Lewis, Guest speaker at Diocese of Wangaratta MU's Lady Day being thanked by Mary Muntz.
3. Fr David Still and the Mayor of Benalla, Don Firth at the fete held at Parish of Benalla. Photo by Lindsay Thomas
4. Albury rovers and Lauriston Muirhead speaking of care of the environment and the threat of the Adani coal mine to Australia, India and the global community at St Matthew's, Albury
5. Kids Corner at St. Cuthbert's Fete, Yarrawonga. Held on 22nd April.

Bequests

John has been enriched in life. He has been blessed by God with a wonderful family and good health. After full filling his dreams with a successful career he has now retired and spends his time volunteering within his parish as a church warden. During his time volunteering he learned that his fellow parishioners have been generous and supportive of the work of God through the church and he wanted to follow in their foot steps.

So John went to visit his family lawyer to revise his will and to find a way he could help support the work of God. His lawyer suggested to him that he could name his parish as beneficiary in his will. So in addition to providing bequests for his grandchildren's education, John decided to provide ten percent of his estate to his parish church. This way, what he practices every Sunday as a committed parishioner will continue on. John's generosity will make a significant difference with in the life and work of his parish.

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