



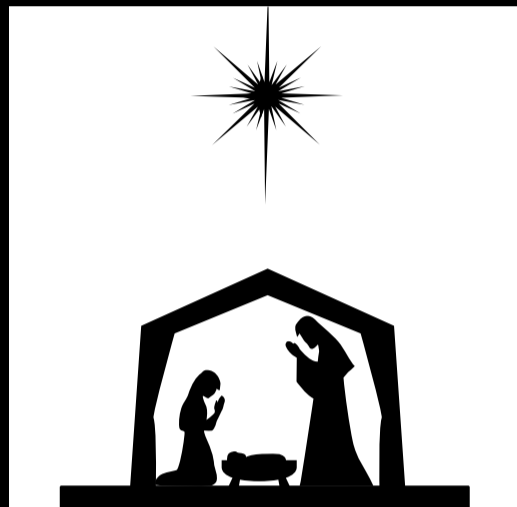
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LUKE 1:14



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St Paul's, Myrtleford



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DEVELOPING MINISTRY TOGETHER

BY FR CLARENCE BESTER



Programmes, plan and actions to foster Church growth and deepen the spirituality of congregants through the likes of Partners in Mission, Renew, Decade of Evangelism, Small Christian Communities and Alpha are now complemented by the Intentional Discipleship programme within the Anglican Communion. This programme follows from discussions at the Anglican Consultative Council in Lusaka, Zambia in 2016 and probably after the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby highlighted the renewal of prayer and religious life, evangelism and reconciliation as the directions of his tenure.

In his foreword introducing Intentional Discipleship and

Disciple-Making - An Anglican Guide for Christian Life and Formation, The Archbishop of South East Asia, the Most Revd Moon Hing, Bishop of West Malaysia, said the following: "Follow me". These two simple words of invitation and command stand at the heart of every relationship with Jesus, the Son of God, whether spoken on a Galilean lake shore, on the streets of Lusaka, or in a hospital in Chicago. Like every child responding to the outstretched hand of a parent, Simon and Andrew, Mary and Salome and millions of Christians through two millennia have accepted that simple invitation in faith and often with minimal understanding of the life-transforming

decision they have taken. To follow Jesus of Nazareth into this cosmic reign is simply the most challenging, the most beautiful, the most costly, the most rewarding journey we could ever choose to begin." (page vii)

During this past year we have been concentrating on The Congregational Life Cycle, Strategic Planning and Action, Family Ministry, Small Church Development, The Challenge of Change in Ministry and Mission, Collaborative Ministry and working towards building a Strategic Ministry Operational Plan. I hope that the articles helped us to begin thinking about our approach to ministry and where that would lead us amidst the daily

changes and challenges that nevertheless provides us with wonderful opportunities to redevelop our ministry plans. One of the ways in which we can invigorate our ministry activities is to engage in the Anglican Communion's 'Intentional Discipleship and Disciple-Making - An Anglican Guide for Christian Life and Formation.' This guide can be ordered from the Anglican Communion Shop at <http://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/shop.aspx>

I have no doubt that this will make for good reading over the holidays and a wonderful resource for Parish engagement during 2018.

CHRIST CHURCH, MARYSVILLE

BY FR JOHN JESSOP

Over eight years and nine months since the fire-storm that destroyed Marysville, a new building was consecrated with the name of Christ Church to replace the beautiful little church that was destroyed in the fires. The occasion of the consecration was one of great joy and significance, not only for the regular congregation, but for all the people of Marysville. It was for all the people of Marysville that the building was consecrated. The enthusiasm of residents and visitors alike was evident from the way in which the preparations for the service were carried out and the fact that people came from considerable distances to share in the celebrations.


In his sermon, Bishop John referred to the tragic circumstances of the fire-storm and some of the difficulties of the process leading up to the rebuild. He reminded us that the church is actually people but that the buildings are important as symbols of the presence of Christ and as places for prayer and worship. He also reminded us that God is not confined to a building, God is not at all confined. Yet

our prayer is that God will look upon this place.

The new church building of Christ Church is a symbol of resurrection and new life. Its completion and consecration complete the jig-saw of the rebuild of Marysville. New life has risen from the ashes of the fires. It is now up to the people of Marysville to use the tremendous gift that they have received.

As a parish we are immeasurably grateful for the generosity of very many people and institutions who responded with open hearts after the fires. We are also grateful for the fortitude and persistence of Ed Cherry and Ian Mills, in particular, who have been with the rebuild project from the very beginning. We should also mention the builder, Lachie Cronin and his team for their dedication, and Bruce Hutton who made the stunningly beautiful stained glass windows.

Saturday, 18th November was a truly joyous day for the people of Marysville. We thank God for this and pray that we will be good stewards and make the most of what we have been given.

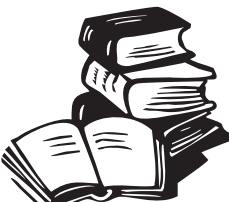


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DIOCESAN CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2017

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| 10th | Sun | International Day of Human Rights Celebration - see details page 8 |
| 14th | Thur | Bishop in Council |

JANUARY 2018

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| 24th | Wed | Induction of The Rev'd Andre Du Plooy to the Parish of Kilmore |
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FEBRUARY 2018

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| 1st | Thur | Induction of The Rev'd Scott Jessup to the Parish of Rutherglen Chiltern |
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from the Bishop



Dear Brothers and Sisters

On the 18th of November the people of Marysville and those who have shared with them in the aftermath of the Black Saturday bushfires and the rebuilding of the town came together for the consecration of the new Church. This was a significant moment not only for the Anglican congregation but also as a symbol of the ongoing process of healing for the community.

A Sermon on the Occasion of the Consecration of Christ Church Marysville.

‘It was the best of times; it was the worst of times’. So Charles Dickens begins his novel set around the French Revolution. In this global world we are ever conscious that things are not as we would wish them to be. Wars and threats of wars, persecution, injustice, social displacement, poverty and exploitation are before us every day in our mass media saturated world. It’s not hard to think that we live in the worst of times, and not the best of times.

In the 17th century the emphasis was on the local, and not the global. And in my home country things were as bad. The mid-1600s were a terrible time in England. The Puritan revolutionaries had executed a king, Parliament and political life were a chaotic mess. A typhus epidemic turned the whole island into a hospital. The bubonic plague, followed by the great fire of London, would turn it into a mortuary.

In Leicestershire, not so far from my birthplace, there is a small church with a plaque on the wall which reads: “In the year of 1653, when all things sacred were ... either demolished or profaned, Sir Robert Shirley, [built] this church; whose singular praise it is, To have done the best things in the worst times, and hoped them in the most calamitous.”

To have done the best of things in the worst of times.

I had been Bishop of Wangaratta for less than three months when Black Saturday happened. It was clear from first thing that day that things were not going to end well. Searing temperatures, gusting winds blowing ever stronger. Messages filtering through that either end of the Diocese was engulfed in conflagration.

I will never forget that phone call from Norm Hart as he and the family waited to be evacuated. People were just names the cure of whose souls I was responsible for, but people I had never met. Andrew Schreuder was not accounted for. Ed and Di Cherry were not accounted for. What to do? I spent the next few days at the evacuation centre in Alexandra, mostly listening to folk who needed to tell their stories over and over. Seeing folk who had escaped with what they stood up in sitting numbed in shock, or clinging to a pet. This episcopate was forged in the fires of Black Saturday. And I was but an outsider.

Many of you lived though the horror of that day and its horrific aftermath. I can’t imagine what it was like for you in the midst of this overwhelming demonstration of the destructive power of nature. When I was finally able to visit, I understood what razed to the ground actually meant. I have a photo in the office, taken through the rear view mirror of a fleeing car, of Christ Church spontaneously bursting into flame. The Church destroyed; the rectory almost untouched.

And now we are here today, consecrating a new church building built on the foundations of the old. It has been a long journey to get to this place. And the journey has had its share of potholes. I had hoped to be able to facilitate a process of healing - perhaps despite

my best efforts I proved to be an obstacle rather than a resource. No matter. God has brought an outcome and we understand as people of faith, that God always brings an outcome - not always the outcome we want but always the outcome we need.

And so as we gather in this beautiful building we express our confidence that God gives us a future with him; that we are able to begin again to raise up on old foundations new signs of hope. As we dedicate this church and begin its life afresh, we are setting down in this community here a sign of the love of God which never goes away. Here is a community that has known great suffering, real devastation; a community that has been almost literally levelled to the ground by the suffering that it has endured. A community which lost 45 of its members, ten per cent of its population.

And in such places where suffering and disaster bow people down to the ground, God does not go away. God is there. As one of the great saints of the Church said, “When we are brought down to the ground in humiliation, God is already there stretched out on the ground, his crucified body bowed down to the ground by the suffering of Jesus Christ, so that he is with us when we are bowed down. When we are grieved and broken, he is there.”

This church looks over the main street of the town. It proclaims to this community the abiding truth: God is here and God does not go away. We are consecrating a church as an Anglican place of worship. But we are at the same time offering it as a gift and a resource to the whole community. In our time without a building, our Roman Catholic brothers and sisters have offered us hospitality in their demountable. We are deeply grateful for this demonstration of our real, if not fully realised communion.

We now offer this place as a sign and symbol of the new life which is ours in Christ. Out of the worst of times, we have sought to do the best of things.

The reading we have heard from the First Book of the Kings is for us both a call to mission and a solemn warning. As King Solomon prays at the consecration of the Temple which King David planned but did not build he says these words:

But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! (1 Kings 8.27)

Karl Barth was perhaps the greatest theologian of the 20th Century. In his book Dogmatics in Outline he writes this.

“The Church runs like a herald to deliver the message. It is not a snail that carries its little house on its back and is so well off in it, that only now and then it sticks out its feelers. Where the Church is living, it must ask itself whether it is serving this commission or whether it is a purpose in itself.”

King Solomon and Karl Barth both point to the truth that no God shaped box can contain or constrain the sovereign will of the God who is above all and through all and in all. (Ephesians 4.6) The completion of this church building is not an end in itself, but rather a vehicle to a greater end. It is all too easy that the building itself becomes an idol, so that we lose sight of the God to whom it is dedicated.

In the latter part of 2003, I was appointed Dean of Brisbane. My commission was to oversee and facilitate the completion of the John Loughborough Pearson designed neo Gothic masterpiece dedicated to St John the Evangelist. In the Sermon at my installation I said something like this. If we



are merely completing this Cathedral building in order to prove to ourselves or to an increasingly secular world that we are still here despite everything, then we of all people are most to be pitied. The worth of the cathedral will be in direct proportion to the quality of ministry it offers and sustains. As it is with St John’s cathedral Brisbane, so it is with Christ Church, Marysville.

The great Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, puts it thus:

When (God) has promised to be with us, he does not break that promise, and we who believe in him, we who are Christians, we are to make that promise real in our lives. We don’t go away. The Church does not go away from need and suffering. The Church is there where people are bowed down, and you and I are there to offer God’s compassion and God’s promise to those broken, anxious and in pain. So when we say that today we re-dedicate ourselves to God’s service, what we are doing is to promise again that we will be signs of God’s promise; we will be signs of God’s faithfulness and God’s presence in the midst of a community that suffers and struggles. It is for us to show in our words, in our lives, in

our faces, that same love which does not go away.

The iconic value of this building to the community of Marysville cannot be overestimated. But it will be a hollow gift if we who are the church in this place do not ourselves become living stones, built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 2.5)

As we come now to consecrate this building to the honour of Christ, and pledge ourselves to be living stones built into a spiritual house I offer as mine the prayer of King Solomon:

Have regard to your servant’s prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, “My name shall be there”, that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays towards this place. (1 Kings 8.28-29)

For Christ’s sake!

The Rt Revd. John Parkes AM
Bishop of Wangaratta

JAZZ ROCKS THE CATHEDRAL

BY FR KEN GOODGER

A congregation of over 750 jammed into Holy Trinity Cathedral on Sunday the 5th of November for this year’s Jazz Mass, an annual event which is part of the Wangaratta Festival of Blues and Jazz.

The headline artists for this year were Boogie-Woogie band leader Bridie King, her backing band ‘The Boogie Kings’ and backing singers ‘The Harmony Queens’, along with a Capella vocal group ‘The Gospel Belles’. They

were joined by students from five Anglican School Commission schools; Cathedral College Wangaratta, Trinity Anglican College Albury, St George’s Anglican Grammar School, Swan Valley Anglican Community School and St Mark’s Anglican Community School from Perth, as well as the Choir of Holy Trinity Cathedral. Preacher for the Jazz Mass was the Reverend Peter Laurence, CEO of the Anglican Schools Commission.

Great Jazz standards

were sung and performed on the morning, including ‘Just a Closer Walk with Thee’, ‘Down by the Riverside’, ‘Let’s Make a Better World’, ‘This Little Light o’ Mine’, ‘Up Above My Head’, ‘I Heard the Voice of Jesus say’, as well as the traditional recessional hymn for the Jazz Mass, ‘When the Saints Go Marching In.’

Photo right: Staff and students from five Anglican Schools Commission Schools provided the musical accompaniment for the Jazz Mass this year





Christmas Recipes

Food Security at Christmas

BY GILL BAKER
Member of the
Wangaratta Diocese
Social Justice Committee

Christmas is coming and the goose is getting fat.... or not.

In fact the Christmas holiday, with its traditional celebrations can be a time of tension for families who don't have the resources to keep up with the present giving, partying and feasting, or trips away. The very prospect of being at home together at Christmas can exacerbate feelings of disappointment, envy and failure, made worse by the extreme commercialisation seen in shops and in the media.

For those of us who are

doing OK, an extra step to spread the joy that Christmas should bring could just make the difference. Where there are food banks, Care vans or Soup kitchens in your Parish, an extra bag of groceries will go a long way to helping people in hardship. Some retail stores and faith based agencies are collecting toys to pass on to charities which distribute Christmas parcels, and some families choose to just buy for 1 member each and pool remaining money for a donation to a charity working in poverty stricken parts of the world.

It doesn't have to be a big deal, just a smile and a small plate of biscuits

to an elderly neighbour can make the day. And if there is nothing happening in your Church community, try starting something up in a small way. The exemplary model of 'Loaves and Fishes, Christians Caring' really began many years ago by Audrey Hill, who recognised a need in her community. Non-perishable food was placed in a box in the back of the Cathedral after a service, and a process set up whereby desperate people were able to collect some when needed.

"At least", she would say "we are able to feed the children".

Mixed Berry Bonbons

Ingredients

- 1 litre good quality vanilla ice-cream, softened
- 300 g frozen mixed berries
- 200 g white chocolate chopped
- Silver cachous, to decorate, optional.

Method

1. Combine the ice-cream and berries in a large bowl; stir gently until just combined. Press the ice-cream mixture into a container; cover, freeze until firm.
2. Line a tray with baking paper. Scoop 12 balls of ice-cream mixture and place on the prepared tray. Freeze for 30 minutes or until firm.
3. Place chocolate in a medium heatproof bowl over a medium saucepan of simmering water; stir until just melted. Cool.
4. Using a spoon, drizzle the melted chocolate over the ice-cream balls and sprinkle with cachous, if desired. Freeze until firm. Transfer to an airtight container; freeze until ready to serve.
5. Serve bonbons piled up on a serving plate or individually in decorative paper cases.

TIP: Don't soften the ice-cream too much or it will lose its volume and texture. Have it just soft enough to be able to work the berries into the mixture (serves 12)

Recipe sent in by Parish of Wangaratta West and the Warbies



Pineapple Fruit Cake

Ingredients

- 500g mixed dried fruit
- 50g glace cherries (optional)
- 450g can crushed pineapple
- 125g unsalted butter, cubed
- 1 cup sugar (I used castor)
- 1 tsp bicarb soda
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup plain flour
- 1 cup self-raising flour

Method

1. Place dried fruit, pineapple (don't drain it), butter, sugar and bicarb in a saucepan and bring to the boil on a medium heat.
2. Remove from the stove and leave to cool. I like to transfer to a big bowl and leave it to cool
3. Add in eggs and mix well. Sift in the flour and mix it in well. Make sure there is no flour left at the bottom of the bowl. Nothing worse than discovering this once you've put most of the mixture into a lined tin.
4. Pour into a lined square or round tin and place in a preheated oven 180C/350F and bake for at least 45 minutes to 1 hour.
5. Now the cooking time will depend on your oven and the size of tin you use. Just check it with a knife or skewer at 45 minutes and if it comes out clean (don't stick it straight into a piece of fruit!) then you're done. If not put it back for another 10 minutes and test again.
6. You can pour some brandy or alcohol over the top of your cake if you like but I soaked my fruit in brandy for 2 days before the cake was made.
7. Leave to cool then slice and enjoy.

Recipe sent in by Mrs Michelle Downie



Cherry Delight Slice

Ingredients

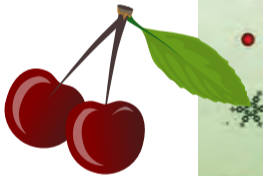
- Base
 - 130 grams melted butter or margarine
 - 1cup coconut
 - 1cup plain flour
 - ½ Splenda

Topping

- 250 grams sour cream
- 680 gram jar of Morello cherries
- Cinnamon

Method

- Grease lamington tray and lightly sprinkle with extra coconut.
- Mix dry ingredients into butter, spread evenly in tray, cook in moderate oven until light golden brown
- Carefully arrange cherries over slice, pour sour cream evenly over cherries, lightly sprinkle with cinnamon and cook for a further 10/15 mins until cream is set. Cut when cold.



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Champagne Punch

Ingredients

- 750 ml Champagne or sparkling white wine
- 170 ml Cointreau
- 2 L Ginger Ale
- Orange or lime slices for garnish

Method

1. Pour champagne, cointreau and ginger ale into punch bowl.
2. Garnish with fruit slices

TIP: Keep champagne chilled and add just before serving for most bubbly effect (makes 3 litres)

Recipe sent in by Parish of Wangaratta West and the Warbies



Rejoicing this Christmas

Christmas in Palestine

BY VAL EDWARDS
Member of the Wangaratta Diocese Social Justice Committee

Jesus was born in a Palestine occupied by the Romans.

Today Christian Palestinians celebrate the birth of our Saviour still in an occupied country - Palestine occupied by Israel.

About 20% of Palestinians are Christian, and they celebrate the holy season alongside their Islamic sisters and brothers who are proud to share in the Christmas celebration.

Tens of thousands of tourists will go to Bethlehem in the West Bank of Palestine to celebrate Christmas. Few of them will actually be able to attend the Midnight Mass in the Church of the Nativity, the church believed to be built over the manger where Jesus was born. If they do enter the church, bowing to do



so, it will be through a narrow small door called the door of humility. Most tourists will arrive in Israeli led tours from Tel Aviv or luxurious Israeli owned hotels in Jerusalem. The tourists will have safe passage both ways through the Israeli checkpoints that govern entry to and from Jerusalem, only 10kms from Bethlehem. The Roman Catholic Mass will be screened to thousands of tourists and pilgrims

gathered in Manger Square.

Anglicans in Bethlehem who may want to worship at their beautiful Saint George's Cathedral in Jerusalem will not be allowed through the checkpoints unless they have a permit to work there. Even with a permit they will not be allowed to drive. The lengthy checkpoint processing time, supposing they get through, may well prohibit

them from worshipping in their own Anglican celebration.

As Jesus preached his gospel of peace and love let us pray for our Palestinian sisters and brothers, for Palestinian Anglican Archbishop Suheil Dawani and his diocese, that they be richly blessed by the Christ Child with peace in their land, for Christmas 2017 and the year ahead.



Photo above: Sanctuary at Yea all decorated for Christmas.

REDEEMING INNOCENTS

2017 CHRISTMAS APPEAL



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"Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod." Matthew 2:14-15a

The Twelfth Night of Christmas is also Epiphany, when Christ is revealed to the Wise Men. After this revelation, Joseph and Mary flee to Egypt with Jesus, to avoid the 'Massacre of the Innocents'. As a vulnerable babe, Jesus was not in a position to protect himself, and his parents had to respond practically and faithfully to the warning from God.

Today, facing similar crises, many parents do the same, fleeing danger in places such as Syria (see photo), Myanmar and South Sudan. In other circumstances, there is no option to flee, and parents have to protect their children in different ways. Our partners are there to help.

This Christmas, we invite you to support our partners as they help to protect vulnerable children.

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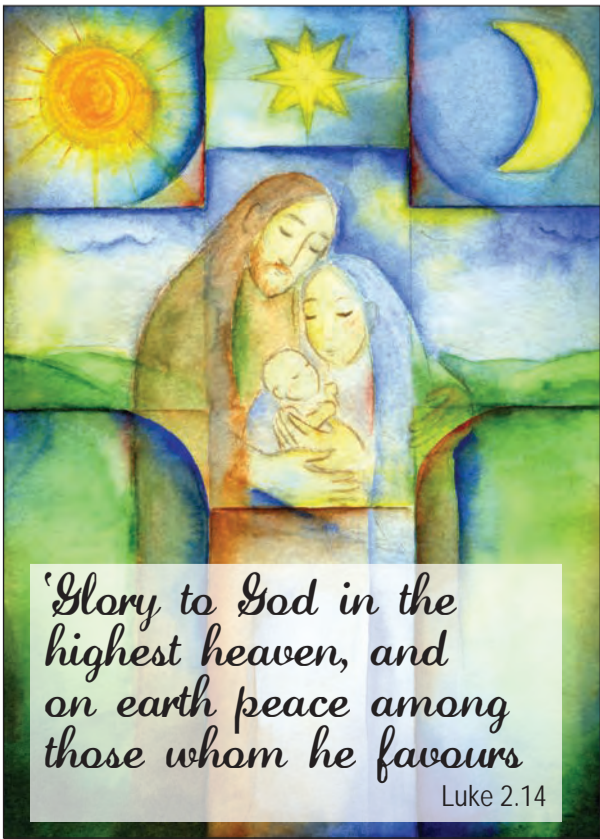
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Christmas Service Times

HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL, WANGARATTA

| 17th December 5.00pm - Lessons and Carols | | Christmas Eve 6.00pm - Family Worship 11.30pm - Midnight Mass | Christmas Day 8.00am - Holy Eucharist with Carols 10.00am - Sung Eucharist with Carols |
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| ALBURY | COBRAM | MT BEAUTY/TAWONGA | WANGARATTA WEST & WARBYS |
| Christmas Eve - St Matthew's, Albury 9am Sunday service as usual 4pm Toddler Crib Service (children to dress as angels, shepherds, Mary & Joseph, Inn Keeper) 6pm Family Christmas Mass (children to dress as angels, shepherds, Mary & Joseph, Inn Keeper) 10.30pm Carols followed by 11pm Midnight Mass Christmas Day - St Matthew's, Albury 9am Family Christmas Mass | 17th December 9:30am & Lessons and Carols 7:pm St Margaret's Cobram Christmas Eve 9:30am & 6:00pm St Margaret's Cobram Christmas Day 9:30am St Margaret's Cobram | Christmas Day 10.30am, Tawonga | Christmas Eve 5pm St John's Village, Wangaratta 8pm St Paul's, Glenrowan 11.30pm Midnight Mass St Michael's, Wangaratta West Christmas Day 8am St George's, Taminick 9.30am St Michael's, Wangaratta West Kids Christmas Service 10th December 9.30am Carols and Readings 15th December, 6pm including the celebration of the 21st anniversary of Ordination of Rector (Clarence Bester) as a priest followed by supper. |
| | CORRYONG | NORTHERN ALBURY | |
| | <i>Please contact Parish directly for service times</i> | Christmas Eve 6 pm St Mark's, North Albury, Children's Service with Holy Communion 8.30 pm St James's Church, Lavington. Eucharist Christmas Day 9am St John's Church, Thurgoona Christmas Day Eucharist 8am St Paul's Church, Jindera. Christmas Day Eucharist | |
| ALEXANDRA | EUROA | NUMURKAH/NATHALIA | WODONGA |
| <i>Please contact Parish directly for service times</i> | 21st December 7:30pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols Christmas Eve 9:30am Eucharist St Paul's, Euroa 5:30pm Carols & 6pm Eucharist St Dunstan's, Violet Town 11:30pm Eucharist at St Paul's, Euroa Christmas Day 8am Eucharist at St Andrew's, Longwood 9:30am Eucharist at St Paul's, Euroa | Christmas Eve 5pm Christmas Holy Communion, St Paul's Wakiti Creek 11.30pm Christmas Midnight Mass, St George's Numurkah Christmas Day 9am Christmas Holy Communion, Holy Trinity Nathalia 10.30am Christmas Holy Communion, St George's Numurkah | 4th December 5pm Memorial Service, St John's Memorial Garden 16th December 7pm Nine Lessons and Carols, St John's Wodonga Christmas Eve 9.30am 5pm Children's Crib Service, St John's Wodonga 9pm Midnight Service, Emmanuel, West Wodonga 11pm Carols singing, St John's Wodonga 11.30pm Christmas Midnight Mass, St John's Wodonga Christmas Day 9am Christmas Day Eucharist, St John's Wodonga 9am Christmas Day Service, Emmanuel 9.30am Christmas Day Eucharist, Holy Trinity Bethanga |
| ALPINE | KILMORE | RUTHERGLEN CHILTERN | |
| Christmas Eve 4pm St Paul's, Myrtleford - Children's Christmas Service. Hear the Christmas story, sing Christmas Carols. Costumes will be available for dressing up as angels, shepherds, kings. 7pm St John's, Whorouly - Holy Eucharist with Carols. 11:30pm - St Paul's, Myrtleford - Midnight Mass with Carols. Christmas Day 8am - St Paul's, Myrtleford - Holy Eucharist with Carols. 10 All Saints', Bright - Holy Eucharist with Carols. | <i>Please contact Parish directly for service times</i> | <i>Please contact Parish directly for service times</i> | |
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| Christmas Eve 7pm Christmas Eucharist, St Jude's Eldorado 11.30pm Midnight Mass, Christ Church Beechworth Christmas Day 10am Festival Eucharist of the Incarnation, Christ Church Beechworth | Christmas Eve 9.30am usual Sunday service, St John's Mansfield 4.30pm Ecumenical Christmas service, Christ Church Bonnie Doon followed by refreshments. 11.30pm Christmas Eve service, St John's Mansfield Christmas Day 7.30am Christmas Day service, St Peter's Jamieson 9.30am Christmas Day service, St John's Mansfield | Christmas Eve 5pm Christmas eucharist St Luke's Dookie 5.30pm Crib service & eucharist St Augustine's Shepparton Christmas Day 9.30am Christmas eucharist St Augustine's Shepparton 9.30am Christmas eucharist Christ Church Murchison | Christmas Eve 5pm, Kiewa/Tangambalanga 7pm, Dederang Christmas Day 8.45am, Allan's Flat 10.30am, Yackandandah |
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| <i>Please contact Parish directly for service times</i> | Christmas Eve 10am Carol Service at Marysville 11.30pm Midnight Mass at Marysville Christmas Day 9am Family Christmas Eucharist at Buxton | Christmas Eve 9pm, Tallangatta Christmas Day 9am, Tallangatta | Christmas Eve 9am St Cuthbert's, Yarrowonga 7pm Family service, St Cuthbert's, Yarrowonga 9pm Eucharist, St Thomas', St James Christmas Day 9am Eucharist, St Cuthbert's, Yarrowonga |
| CENTRAL GOULBURN | MILAWA | WANGARATTA | YEA |
| Christmas Eve 5pm St Paul's, Avenel 7pm St John's, Nagambie 10pm Christ Church Seymour Christmas Day 9am Christ Church, Seymour | Christmas Day 9am Eucharist for Christmas, St Paul's Milawa | Christmas Eve 7pm, Greta Christmas Day 9.30am, Moyhu 11am, Whitfield | 23rd December 7.30pm Service of Lessons & Carols Christmas Eve 11.30pm Midnight Mass Christmas Day 9.30am Family Christmas Eucharist |



'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours
Luke 2.14

The Advocate Team would like to wish our readers and contributors all the love, peace and blessings of Christmas and may your year be filled with happiness.






A CHRISTMAS REMINDER

The Diocesan office will close for Christmas on **Friday 22nd December 2017** and will reopen on **Wednesday 3rd January 2018**

The registry staff would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.



Remember to take lots of great photos of all your Christmas celebrations at your Parish and send them in for the February edition.

**Please remember that you need permission from the people in the photos (or their guardians) to use in the paper.*

‘Reachout’ group raises funds for SWAGS

BY FR GUNNAR RIPPON

On Monday morning 5th October, some 20 parishioners from the centres of Murchison, Katandra West and Shepparton, met for morning tea in St Augustine’s Church Hall in Shepparton. The occasion, arranged by members of the “Reachout” group, convened by Margaret Rippon, was a significant one in the short life of the group. Reachout was established in June this year under one of the elements of the Parish Strategic Plan - ‘Develop outreach into our community’. The focus of the group is, as well as fellowship, to raise funds for the purchase of SWAGS for the homeless of the community and to provide ‘Joy Bags’ to the lonely and disheartened. The purchase of the Swags was to be coordinated through the work of Anglicare in Wangaratta.

A considerable amount of money was raised through generous donations and through weekly trading at a well-stocked Trade Table - another initiative of the Group - situated in the

Narthex of St Augustine’s Church.

Tanya Grant, the Community Development worker for Anglicare was invited to the meeting to explain her role and to accept the proceeds of funds raised to date for the swags.

Margaret Rippon presented her with a cheque for \$2926, which was enthusiastically received!



A Swag and other items, was displayed for all to see creating much interest, with people present being able to finally view and touch the item which had been the focus of their fund-raising.

A soup and sandwich lunch was enjoyed at the conclusion of the meeting.

Photo below: A delighted Tanya Grant accepting the cheque.

Maree & Kel Boyle celebrates 50 Years together

BY DIANE GRANT

50 years of marriage is a great milestone nowadays, and Nagambie couple Maree and Kel Boyle celebrated their 50 “Golden” years on November 11, Remembrance Day.

They celebrated their special occasion locally with family and friends with a party lunch on Saturday, 11 November.

When asked what makes a good strong long marriage, a recipe for happiness so to speak, Maree thought about it for a while and said it took a few things. She said that “you must support one another, care for each other, and Kel has always given her great comfort and care all through the good times and bad.”

Give and take, trust and tolerance and being compatible are important, especially to the Boyles as they have worked side by side for most of their married life. The bond of devotion still exists between Maree and Kel even after 50 years and their special personal and working relationship is one of the strengths in their marriage.

Both came from farms around the Kerang district. In 1967 Maree Lake and Kelvin Boyle started going out together and were married that year

on 11 November, at St John’s Anglican Church Kerang, the Lake’s family church.

They spent their honeymoon cruising to Adelaide in an S Series Valiant, a modern push button automatic car back then.

They lived on the Boyle’s farm for just over 18 months then it was sold and the couple moved to Bayswater just after their first child Tanya was born in 1969 at the Kerang Hospital.

During their time at Bayswater, (which was in the sticks then) Kel turned his hand to building and other practical work. He was the last rural mailman to deliver mail to rural places around Stud Road and Knoxfield areas.

Their sons Wes (1970) and Andrew (1971) were born while the family lived there. Tanya and Wes started school there and in 1973 the family moved to an old house in High Street, Nagambie and have been here ever since, over 40 years later.

The couple worked hard to establish with partners the Nagambie Caravan Park in the 1980s, while their children attended Nagambie Primary School then Seymour Technical High School.

Other business ventures have been the Nut House and

Information Centre near the Caravan Park and small motel in High Street, the Nagambie Information Centre in the business hub of the town, and the Kelvingrove relocatable Village at the south end of town.

Their children and partners have blessed them with six (and one due soon) grand children which give Kel and Maree much joy.

Over the past few years Kel and Maree have had a getaway place at Mathoura and they try to get up there as often as they can and leave their business responsibilities to their sons.

Kel is a real nature lover, especially of trees. He also likes tinkering with farm machinery and doing things around their home, garden and village.

Maree is a Mother’s Union member and loves to cook, and do craft work. Kel and Maree attend St John’s Anglican Church and recently took some time off their hectic schedule to enjoy travelling around a small part of Australia for a few months.

On Sunday, 12 November, Fr Gary Atherton blessed and gave thanks for the Boyle’s 50 years of marriage after the morning service at St John’s Anglican Church in Nagambie.

Safe Church Safe People

Safe Church Training in Seymour

BY NIKKI COLLINS

The Diocese of Wangaratta hosted its first Safe Church Awareness Workshop in Seymour on Saturday 28th October with a great turnout from across the diocese.

Our thanks go to the Parish of Central Goulburn for providing the facilities for this session, as well as organising a delicious morning and afternoon tea to keep us all alert through the interesting and sometimes challenging content.

The workshop was led by experienced Safe Church trainer the Rev’d Canon Heather Marten from the Diocese of Bendigo and co-presented by our own

Rev’d Maryann Leonard who will be the first fully fledged Safe Church trainer for the Diocese of Wangaratta.

Whilst this was the first workshop hosted by the Diocese, a previous Safe Church Awareness Workshop was held in Shepparton in July, led by the Shepparton Church of Christ, which was attended by 33 people from this diocese. The training program was developed and continues to be run nationally through an ecumenical model that maximises access to quality training resources and allows people from different denominations to learn from each other’s experiences.

The program was first developed three years ago and is available through the Safe Church Training Agreement, which the Diocese of Wangaratta became a signatory to in late 2016.

The model comprises an initial workshop followed by a shorter refresher workshop every three years which ensures all participants stay up to date with changes to legislation and best practice. The Diocese of Wangaratta is in the process of establishing a regular program of training and will work with the other denominations involved to provide access to training in as many locations across the diocese as possible.



Photo above: Participants from across eight parishes attended the Seymour workshop



Photo above: Celebrating 50 golden years. Maree and Kel Boyle on Remembrance Day



Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta
SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

International Disability Day

BY GEORGIA LEWIS

My name is Georgia Lewis I am 21 and I suffer from moderate hearing loss in both ears and wear hearing aids. I work part-time at the local hospital serving meals to patients and you could say I live a normal life, my hearing loss does not limit or complicate my life yet I am disabled. Up until I was 16 I believed disabled was a word used to describe someone who is wheelchair bound or could not communicate properly, not someone like me who had hearing loss.

Disabled can be described as someone having a physical or mental condition that limits their movements, senses, or activities. This textbook definition of disabled classifies me as disabled as I have a physical condition that limits my senses. I find too often in society people assume disabilities to be something that can be seen for example someone in a wheelchair, someone who may be blind, or someone who may not be able to communicate like us. People also tend to assume that being disabled can hold us back. I find this is not the case - just because we're disabled does not mean we can't go ahead with our day to day lives uninterrupted.

I wish this was not the case, because disabilities are so much more than this. I also find it irritating when people feel empathetic when I say I suffer from moderate hearing loss - yes it's bad, yes it sucks, but I feel there is no need to be empathetic towards me. You may have to talk louder so I can hear you sometimes, but empathy I don't like because it makes me feel small as I can't hear which really isn't a big deal these days I just go with the flow. Muniba Mazari, a lady who from Pakistan who is an artist, model, activist, motivational speaker and television host and uses a wheelchair due to injuries sustained in a car accident recently spoke about her journey. During her speech she said this sentence which really speaks to me and summarizes how I feel about disabilities and not letting them control you.

"This life is a test and a trial and tests are never supposed to be easy. So when you're expecting ease from life and life gives you lemons, then you make the lemonade and then do not blame life for that."

So when your church celebrates International Day Of Disabled Persons on the 3rd of December or has a prayer for disabled, as well as thinking and praying for those in wheelchairs or who may be blind, also think of those disabilities that you may not be able to see in plain sight like mine.

Thanks,
Georgia



The Diocese of Wangaratta
Celebrates 70 years of the
Universal Declaration of Human Rights
On the International Day of Human Rights

Sunday 10 December 2017
2 – 4 pm
Holy Trinity Cathedral, Wangaratta

"Learning more about and Living Human Rights in our own communities"

"Where, after all, do universal human rights begin? In small places, close to home -- so close and so small that they cannot be seen on any maps of the world. [...] Unless these rights have meaning there, they have little meaning anywhere. Without concerted citizen action to uphold them close to home, we shall look in vain for progress in the larger world." -- Eleanor Roosevelt

- 2 – 2.30 Short films on various aspects of Human Rights to set the scene
- 2.30 – 2.45 Become familiar with the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights
- 2.45 – 3.15 Small group discussion on how to make Human Rights a reality in our own communities
- 3.15 – 3.45 Share take home messages and plans for local Human Rights action with the large group Social Justice Committee plans and opportunities in 2018
- 3.45 – 4. PM Conclude and continue informal discussion at afternoon tea.

This is an opportunity to connect with likeminded people and explore how we can live Human Rights within our Diocesan communities

"Be the change you wish to see in the world" – Mahatma Gandhi



JACK'S RAGS

BY NERIDAH MILDREN

At St John's Wodonga, we run a 'not for profit' organisation as a separate entity & social enterprise from St John's called Jack's Rags.

Jack's Rags supplies industrial cleaning rags to large and small enterprises and our workforce is entirely made up of volunteers who are 'work for the dole' & Community order participants. We promote sound, safe & positive work ethics with many of our volunteers obtaining permanent positions within the work force.

Our primary purpose is to ensure existing Community programmes continue which will reduce hardship & offer support for the marginalised & the needy.

We make annual donations to local charities & also support national organization such as Fred Hollows Foundation, Royal Flying Doctor, Country Hope and many more.

Recent donations include sheets & pillow cases to flood victims in Qld & NSW, Annual Scholarship Scheme with Trinity

College, also to Betty's Place & Uniting Church Christmas Day luncheon. We also help with the maintenance of St.John's Anglican Church.

But we need more customers!!! and hope the publicity you could give us through the paper would benefit the Community as a whole.

Please contact Jim Hislop or Julie Skilton at jacksrags111@bigpond.com for more information. We work from 26 Cummins St., Wodonga.



MU Australia
Part of the World Wide Mothers' Union

Mothers Union News and Events 2017

BY MARY MUNTZ

"Advent" by the Rev'd Lesley Mc Lean, National Prayer and Spirituality Coordinator of Anglican Mothers' Union Australia.

"Waiting is what we do in Advent: the word means 'going towards that which is coming'. Hastening, eager or faltering, doesn't seem to have much to do with waiting which is more likely associated with lining up for the bus, grinding one's teeth or drumming fingers. Waiting is usually related to passivity, fear, procrastination or avoidance. The busy person hates to wait, the impatient runs away. Waiting is an active, spiritual practice, it is an art to be consciously worked at to eagerly engaged, to be hastened towards. We falter, we stumble but we attend to waiting on the good news of Jesus Christ. Our focus in this Advent Season is on Jesus the Christ Child. By regularly setting aside a time and place to refocus we can realign our thoughts and hopes."

An Advent Prayer by John Birch.

*God of hope, who brought love into this world,
Be the love that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought peace into this world,
Be the peace that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought joy into this world,
Be the joy that dwells between us.
God of hope, the rock that we stand upon,
Be the centre, the focus of our lives always,
And particularly this Advent time.
Amen.*

Overseas and Northern Outreach

Christine Brain, Overseas and Northern Outreach coordinator thanked members for their diocesan contributions which made it possible to embark on a series of training days with members from Torres Strait Island communities.

Mrs Deane Bray, former Australian President and Mrs Robyn Ray, diocese of Northern Queensland, accompanied Mrs Salu Blanco, Vice President Cape York and Torres Region as they visited three islands. The days began with prayer and the training sessions were designed around the specific requests for information and questions relating to significant Mothers' Union processes, rules, regulations and Objects. Sharing their unique stories, strategies for living, nurturing their children in the faith, were ways of developing new programs to suit their needs in vibrant Christian communities. As they travelled with Salu, Deane and Robyn "found new insights from this study and messages for our life and MU membership. These ladies expressed their faith and commitment in amazing ways, they were our teachers."

"In the evening members with their families, invited us to join them in a meal, sitting outside by the sea" That sounds like a wonderful way to bring the day to an end.

I wish everyone a Holy, joyous and safe Christmas and New Year. May you enjoy a few quiet weeks before the first MU meeting on 5th February.

God Bless, Mary

Induction of Rev'd Neil Hicks at St Cuthbert's, Yarrawonga

BY CAROL HENDERSON

On Saturday 11th November the Induction Service of the Rev'd Neil Hicks commenced at St. Cuthbert's at 11.30 am. It was preceded by a tribute to Remembrance Day with data Projected slides of the Anzacs and Anzac Cove with 1 minutes silence at 11 am.

The service started with the entrance of the Bishop of Wangaratta, Rt. Rev'd John Parkes, Clergy of the Diocese of Wangaratta and Rev'd Neil Hicks to the Hymn " All Creatures of our God and King". Bishop John Parkes led the service which was one of hope and joy as well as being an occasion for the Bishop to remind the congregation in the words of a former Archbishop of Canterbury that "the church is the only institution that exists primarily for the benefit of those who are not it's members" meaning that every Christian has a calling to look outwards and respond to needs as well as looking inwards and maintaining a healthy and caring community. November 11th has been St Martin's Day for many centuries and St Martin was a soldier who left the Roman army when he became a Christian and is noted for his care of the poor.

A group of Fr Neil's former parishioners from St Paul's Geelong travelled up to Yarrawonga to share the occasion. They "handed Neil over to the Bishop" with gratitude for his ministry among them for the past 12 years. Church Warden Emeritus, Robert Nicholls presented Rev'd Neil Hicks to Bishop John on behalf of St. Paul's as the Bishop began the commissioning of

Rev'd Hicks to the Parish of Yarrawonga. Both the Bishop and Churchwarden Jim Judd jokingly apologised to St. Paul's for taking Neil away from them

The Wardens of the Yarrawonga Parish - Jim Judd, Debra Wright, Donald Presley, Geoffrey Campbell and Yvonne Davies brought forward Rev'd Neil Hicks to the Bishop, his Bishop's License was read, and given to him. Bible readings, prayers and Sermon followed. As part of Rev'd Hicks Call to Mission, Parishioners brought forward symbols of Christian Ministry and the Office of Priesthood to the Bishop

and Rev'd Hicks. Following Communion, short speeches of welcome to Yarrawonga were made by Jim Judd (on behalf of the Parish), Fr. Steve Bohan (on behalf of the Inter-Church Council and Yarrawonga Community), Rev'd Maryann Leonard (on behalf of the Clergy of the Diocese.

At the conclusion of the Service Parishioners and guests moved to the Church Hall where a finger food lunch was enjoyed by all. Rev'd Neil and Sue cut a welcome cake make by Gillian Keppel, and Sue was presented with flowers and a basket of local produce by Debra Wright.



Cathedral Shop celebrates 20 years

BY JANE FRASER

In 1992 the Cathedral Shop was established at 39 Ovens Street.

In 1997, construction began in Purbrick Hall to make space for a shop. The Cathedral Shop was officially opened by the Dean Fr Ray McInnes and the mayor of the Rural City of Wangaratta later that same year.

The purpose of the shop is to supply religious and ecclesiastical items to parishes and individuals. The shop also stocks books, cards, gifts, cathedral souvenirs and candles.

The Cathedral Shop has been staffed by a large number of volunteers over the years and is dependent on parishioners, the diocesan family and the

wider community.

On the 1st December, the shop volunteers will celebrate this milestone with a lunch in Purbrick Hall with past and present volunteers.

The shop is well stocked for Christmas: cards and gifts, so call in and support the Cathedral Shop.



ANGLICAN BOARD OF MISSION
Working for Love, Hope & Justice

Anglicans call for Constitutionally -entrenched First Nations Voice

In May 2017 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples from across Australia gathered to discuss the recognition of Australia's First Peoples in our Constitution. This National Constitutional Convention was the culmination of years of work and activism and comprehensive consultations in cities and towns around the country.

It was the first time in Australia's history that such a process had been undertaken. It resulted in the release of the one-page Uluru Statement from the Heart in which delegates lamented the torment of their powerlessness and called for a First Nations Voice, protected by the Constitution.

The Referendum Council, a group of eminent Australians appointed by the Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition, undertook an additional broader community consultation. In June 2017 they issued a Final Report supporting the call and stating in part: A constitutionally entrenched Voice appealed to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities because of the history of poor or non-existent consultation with communities by the Commonwealth. Consultation is either very superficial or it is more meaningful, but then wholly ignored.

With guidance from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council (NATSIAC) and the National Aboriginal Bishop, ABM and the Anglican Church of Australia have thrown their support behind a constitutionally-entrenched First Nations Voice.

ABM is disappointed that the Turnbull Government has refused to explore this recommendation by the Referendum Council.

Bishop Chris McLeod, the National Aboriginal Bishop, said, "Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples from around Australia are deeply disappointed and saddened by the government's insensitive and short sighted actions."

"We regard it as another example of some non-Indigenous people, especially government, showing complete disregard for the aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, and many non-Indigenous Australians as well."

"The government's actions have done deep damage to the cause of reconciliation in this land. We pray and hope for a change of mind," he said.

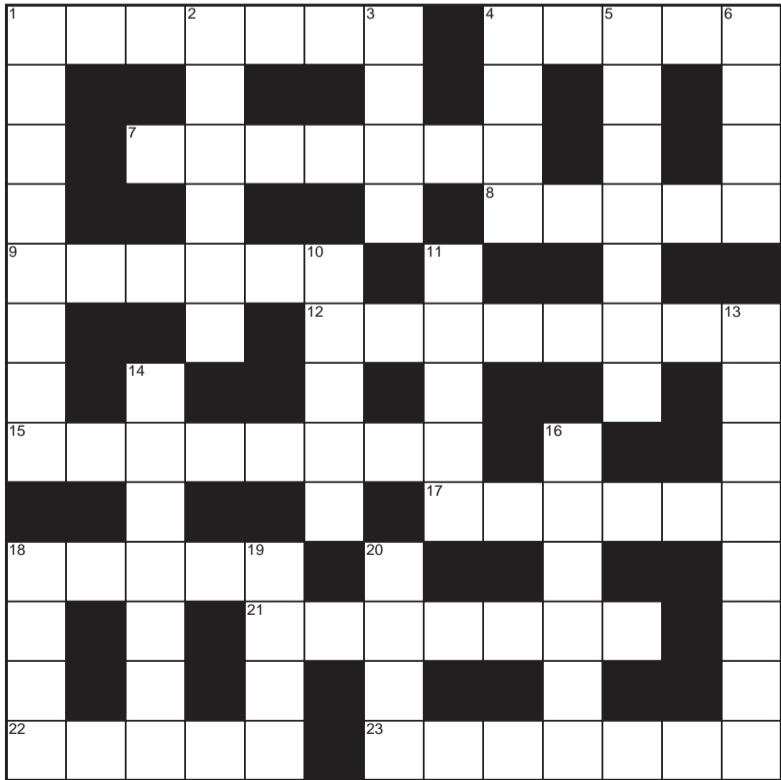
ABM's Reconciliation Coordinator Celia Kemp said, "The reasons set out in the Prime Minister's response are deeply inadequate. This dismissive rejection of the considered voice of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples after such an extensive consultation only highlights the need for a constitutionally-entrenched voice."

"The Uluru Statement is unprecedented in the scope of consultation, the unity of response and the moral weight of its call. It has created a unique opportunity for Australians to unite behind meaningful Constitutional change for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," she said.

ABM is calling for the Government to reconsider its position and to work together with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to draft a reform proposal for a constitutionally-entrenched voice that can be put to the Australian People.

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- 21. Muslim veil

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- 23. Examined closely

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- 1. Passenger lift
- 2. Reinforced boot tip
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- 5. Wide streets
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- 11. Incidental comment
- 13. Nauseated
- 14. Tropical disease
- 16. On ship
- 18. Moral crimes
- 19. Tinted
- 20. Requests

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Jesus' Birth Word Search

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Word Jumble

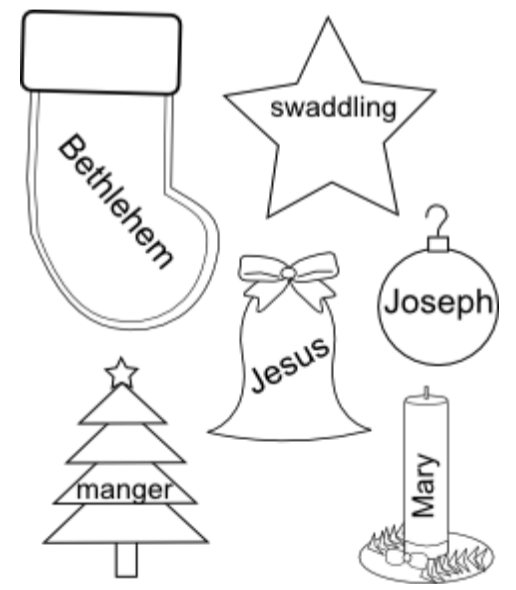
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B _____.

M _____ had a baby and named him
J _____. He was God's Son.

She placed J _____ in a m _____,
which was a place for animals to eat.

He was wrapped in s _____
clothes, which were strips of cloth.



Church Mice

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Regular Parish Service Times

HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL, WANGARATTA

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

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PHOTO CAPTIONS

1. Clare, Margaret & Merilyn at St John's, Wodonga annual Fete on 28th October.
2. 2017 M.U annual meeting group. Fr David Holloway M.U Secretary, Denise Lay Guest speaker, Mary Muntz Ex-President/coordinator, and Janette Kettle M.U member
3. Bishop John and Clergy at the Consecration at Marysville.
4. Bridie King gets the congregation swinging at the Jazz Mass held by Holy Trinity Cathedral Wangaratta
5. Rev'd Neil Hicks and Wardens- Jim Judd, Geoff Campbell, Yvonne Davies, Don Presley, Debra Wright at his induction into the Parish of Yarrawonga.
6. Inside of the new Christ Church, Marysville.

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