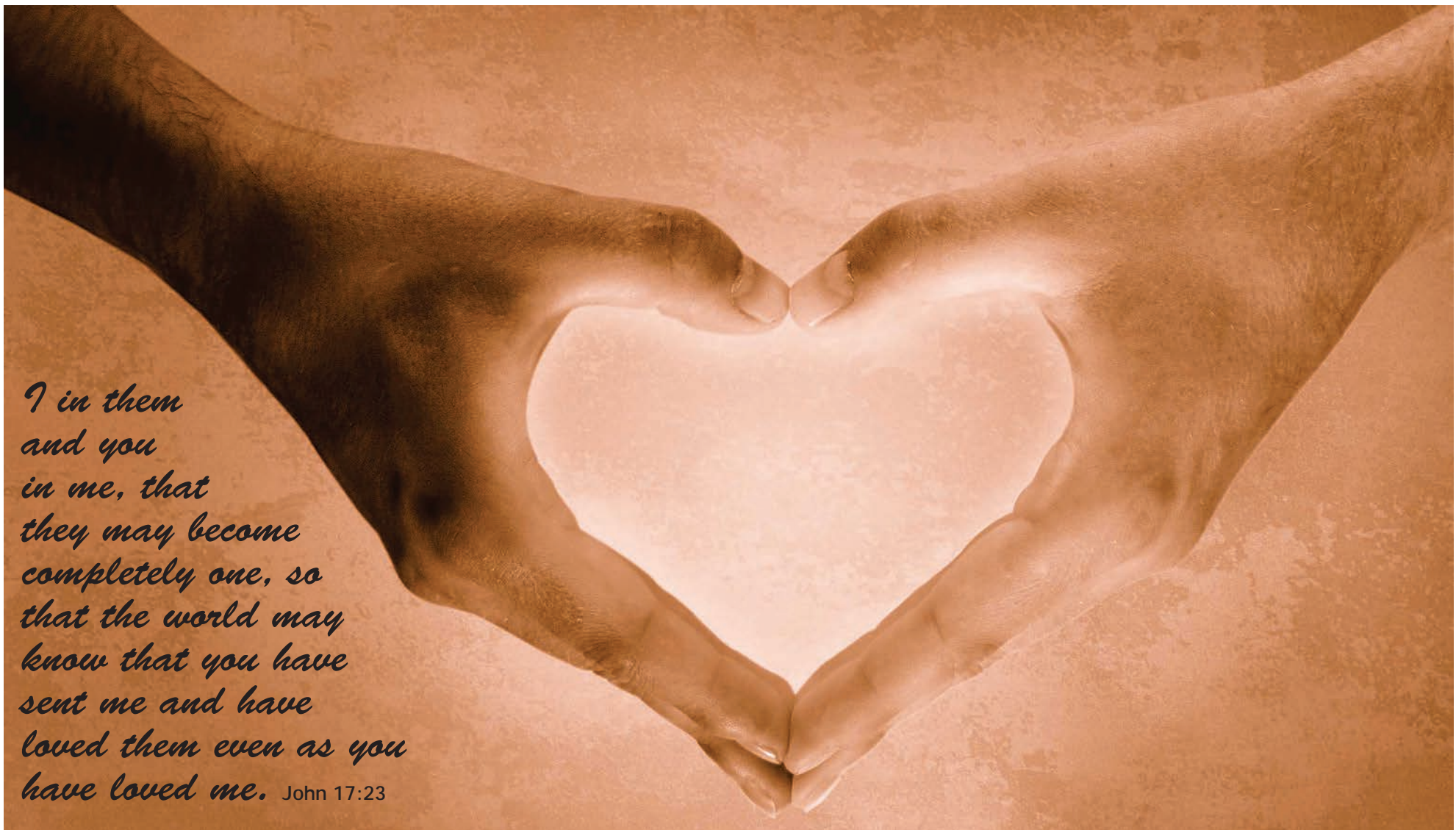




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and you
in me, that
they may become
completely one, so
that the world may
know that you have
sent me and have
loved them even as you
have loved me.* John 17:23

MU Lady Day celebrated at Holy Trinity Wangaratta

BY DIANE GRANT

It is always wonderful to see Holy Trinity Cathedral so warm and welcoming with the sun on its stone walls bathed in beautiful autumn sunshine and enveloped by a clear blue sky.

It is so uplifting, so inspiring, and so holy to see the sun shining in its front windows onto the beautiful tapestry in the sanctuary and the soft glow of candles around the new altar area.

On March 14, close to 40 MU members and guests gathered for the special occasion of the annual Lady Day with some travelling from far across the Diocese of Wangaratta.

Colourful banners from the MU branches and parishes looked

resplendent as they entered the Cathedral and led the procession. They added such pomp and ceremony to the service.

Bishop John Parkes, AM, KSJ, celebrated the Lady Day service and Reverend David Holloway, MU Secretary, gave the sermon

Cathedral Director of Music Hugh Fullarton provided the exquisite music for the hymns and Eucharist. Prayers and Bible readings were given by MU members and, after communion, Bishop John installed Central Goulburn’s MU Member Diane Grant as Mia Mia Correspondent, and Central Goulburn’s Diane Grant and Mary Greenshields as Social Actions and Issues members.

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Photo Above: Banners on display at 2018 Lady Day at Trinity Cathedral Wangaratta.



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9th June – Cathedral Wangaratta. 11th August - Cobram. 13th October – Benalla. 8th December - TBA

DEVELOPING MINISTRY TOGETHER

BY FR CLARENCE BESTER



In the last Ad-Clerum, the Bishop mentioned that with effect 1 March, the position of Archdeacon for Ministry Development become full-time. Prior to this the role was combined with duties as Rector of Wangaratta West & The Warbys, including recently Lent and Lent Studies, Holy Week and the settling in of Revd. Paul Hobby as Deacon within the Parish.

At the same time I have travelled about 2,800km to various Parishes in the Diocese to conduct Vacancy Consultations and to speak to some Parish Councils about Ministry Development and Action Plans, Teaching and Training opportunities and Intentional Discipleship Programmes. Most of these gatherings were well

attended and the enthusiasm and excitement of engaging with one another was really encouraging. There is no doubt that the highlighted challenges were met with great positivity towards the presented opportunities. Are people still tired, overstretched, demotivated with a blurred vision? Indeed they are, but a ray of sunlight presents that window of opportunity of trying and trying again.


In reference to previous articles on Ministry Development in the Advocate and the disillusionment of some seeing a significant difference in Church or Ministry growth, the kerygmatic challenge presented to us during Eastertide is still to ‘Go out and make the difference’.

This is manifested in John 20:21b “As the Father sent me, so I send you”. Some might want to argue that we are not in that ‘Biblical Missiological Stage’, but we do know that, unless we meet people where they are, our hope of wishing they would come to us will be in vain. In reality, areas where growth seems evident are places where the focus is the building of a Church ‘without walls’ and where members of a congregation move from just being Christian to being disciples.

At our next Diocesan Lay Training Day on 28 April, which will have a focus on Liturgical Cosmology, we will also engage in some of the practical aspects of the intentional discipleship programme and share the

experience of those who have shifted their focus to become more of a mission-shaped Church. I do encourage the Laity of our Diocese to register for this as soon as possible, as we only have between 40-50 spaces available.

Soon we will give more details about a Professional Development Programme for the clergy of the Diocese which the Bishop wants in place, as well as a Mentoring and Ministry Supervision support system, especially for those who will be ordained during April. These ministry development activities will assist us greatly as we face various challenges within our Diocese and Parishes.



Mothers' Union News and Events 2018

BY MARY MUNTZ

On the fourth Sunday in Lent Anglican Churches celebrated Mothering Sunday. Years ago it was necessary for young people to leave their families to find employment as domestic servants or in the expanding manufacturing industries. Historically Mothering Sunday was the day young people were granted time to visit their mothers and they picked wild flowers or made small gifts to present to them. Simnel cake is blessed and distributed during the service and sometimes white posies are given to the women. Violet Lancaster mentions that in England about 1925 there was “a movement afoot, more especially among Confectioners, to revive the very old custom of Mothering Sunday”. Ultimately the pressure on the Members of Central Council encouraged Mothers' Union to promote the religious character and importance of Mothering Sunday. A “Card of Greeting” was printed for children to give to mothers, many types of cards and pamphlets are now available. I wonder if the Confectioners’ interest in the revival of Mothering Sunday influenced the current practice of chocolates

for mother on Mother’s Day now.

Many MU members have stories of conversations with a stranger because of the badge they were wearing in public. For many years now part of the Lady Day celebrations have included the presentation of 25, 50 and 60 years badges to members in recognition of their years of Mothers' Union membership. “In 1902 the members of the Army Branch requested they be supplied with a medal so MU members might be recognised. Mary Sumner ordered and paid for 500 to be struck.” These however were only popular with the army wives. In 1909 members approached Central Council and the Army Badge was adapted for general use. “The badges were medallions made of white metal, with the Madonna and Holy Child on them” A few years later members were permitted to dip their badges in gold or silver if they wished. In 1912 some badges were transformed into brooch form and by 1922 the “monogram style” was issued for general use and was presented to enrolling members. Badges may also be worn as pendants.

Young People's Church at Kilmore

BY CAROLINE BURGE

The young and the young at heart met at Christ Church Kilmore on March 25th for the monthly Young People's Church. With nearly double the numbers of the first service for the year in February, those who gathered took part in the worship with the children taking the lead role in the prayers, readings and meditation. Following the short liturgy, all gathered under the guidance of Fr André and Patty DuPlooy to decorate four paschal

candles in readiness for Easter - one for each centre of the parish. With the children responsible for the design colouring of the cross to go on each candle, we ended up with the choices of “green” - the colour of new life; “purple” - for penitence and forgiveness; “red” - reconciliation and resurrection; and a rainbow coloured cross - reminding us of Our Lord's Covenant.

PHOTO BELOW: Fr André and Patty with the work in progress on the purple candle



MU Lady Day celebrated at Holy Trinity Wangaratta

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PRESENTATIONS

Bishop John then presented MU appreciation certificates for Mother's Union long membership service to Shirley Jamieson for 60 years, Gill Mackay for 50 years, Diane Grant and Del Reeves for 40 years, Betty Saggars for 30 years and Christine Nesbit and Ethel Smith with their 25 years certificates

Unfortunately, these members were absent: Muriel Andrea 60 years, Nancy Craig, Marie Draper and Georgina Edga 50 years, Dawn Leece 40 years, Margaret Anderson 30 years and Lyla Richards, Alison Carkeek for 25 years membership service.

Fellow branch members accepted their certificates on their behalf.

The Bishop was thrilled to acknowledge the long service of the MU ladies and congratulated them on their long term membership and service to MU, their church and communities.

GUEST SPEAKER TALKS ON PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

The MU members and guests then ventured over to Purbrick hall for lunch and fellowship. Proceeds from the donations were to go to ABM from the day.

Diocesan MU Coordinator Mary Muntz welcomed everyone

to the lunch and welcomed Mrs Michelle Bester, wife of Archdeacon Clarence Bester as guest speaker.

Mrs Bester gave a talk on her faith journey in South Africa and how God gives us what we need and sometimes want but not necessarily in the packaging we expect. Saying yes to God's call makes everything fall into place. She ended her talk by saying "Be bold, be brave and be strong."

At the end of the Lady Day celebrations, Mary Muntz presented Michelle Bester with a gift of appreciation for being the Lady Day speaker.



PHOTO ABOVE: 2018 MU long membership certificate recipients with Bishop John Parkes and Mary Muntz. Gill Mackay Albury, Christine Nesbit Albury, Ethel Smith Corryong, Betty Saggars Wodonga, Bishop John Parkes, Shirley Jamieson Wodonga, Del Reeves Paynesville (temporary Corryong) Mary Muntz Diocesan MU Coordinator and Mary Greenshields on behalf of Muriel Andrea Seymour.



from the Bishop

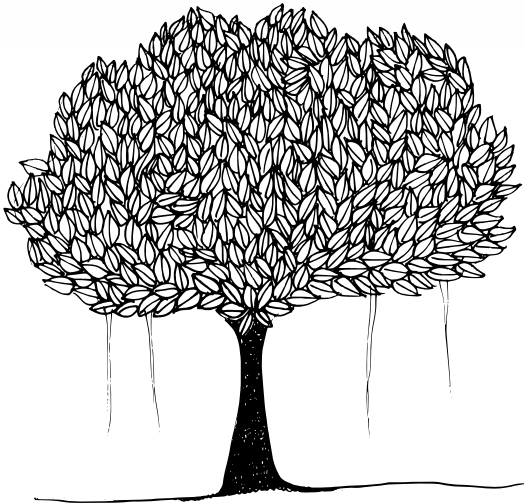
Dear Brothers and Sisters

On Easter Day we join with the world-wide Church to rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Easter is our New Year celebration: As we light the Paschal Candle, trace the sign of the cross and bless the numerals of the year 2018 we are reminded that Christ is the beginning and the end, the alpha and the omega, the first and the last. In Christ, God makes all things new. At Easter we share in this newness of life and continue our journey of faith.

As Easter is all about new beginnings, let us take this opportunity to renew and re-establish our relationship with God and each other, accepting God's will for our lives and allowing God to guide us throughout our lives. May we rise from those situations that hold us back from living and celebrating to the fullest extent possible. The tomb was empty but our lives are not because God, through the resurrection of Jesus, provides us with all we need for our journey.

For Christ's sake!

The Rt Revd John Parkes AM
Bishop of Wangaratta



DIOCESAN CALENDAR

APRIL		
5th	Thur	Induction of The Rev'd Jacques Jefferies into the Parish of Wodonga.
14th	Sat	Cursillo Ultreya, - see details this page.
15th	Sun	Open Gardens, St John's Mansfield
17th	Tue	Bishop in Council
19th	Thur	Induction of The Rev'd Eden Elizabeth Nicholls into the Parish of Yea
21st	Sat	Ordination of priests on commemoration of St Anselm, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Wangaratta 11.00am
28th	Sat	Lay Training - Benalla
MAY		
11th - 13th	Fri - Sun	Cursillo Weekend away - see details page 7
22nd	Tue	Bishop in Council

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Bringing the Anglican Community Together

A Cup of Tea please - My story about St Paul's Euroa

BY VIVIAN WEBBER

My very first experience with St Paul's Euroa was in 2015. My family were camping on our newly purchased block of land. We did not know anyone at the town; neither did we know where to have a cup of hot tea on a raining cold Sunday morning. Then the bulb lit up: "Let's go to a church". There it was: St Paul's Anglican church was situated in the main road and welcoming us were Father Norman and Rev. Patti. Although our shoes were covered with mud and twigs and we left some traceable foot prints on the carpet after

the service, we still received welcoming smiles, a cup of hot tea and yummy biscuits from the church hall. It was just what we needed -- a welcoming community. We continued camping on our block for another 12 months and got heaps of building tips each Sunday morning tea after the service. Then I decided to be baptised in St Paul's even before our house was built. I made the commitment that as long as I am able to, I will bake a cake every Sunday for morning tea, so people can feel just like home -- enjoying great company, a slice of homemade cake and a cup of tea.

I was once a traveller passing by St Paul's Euroa church, the door was wide-open inviting us to join and now I call Euroa home. This year, I am so grateful that I'm able to help organise the Parish of Euroa Fete which will be more focused on attracting young children and families. We hope to raise enough funds for the church's maintenance so we can continue to offer a welcoming and safe environment, not only for the existing community but also for more visitors or travellers. And of course keep the kettle boiling for more cuppas!

Anglican Parish of Benalla

BY CHRISTINE CHALLMAN & MOLLY CRAIG

The Parish of Benalla has a large Mission focus both in our local community and in Australia. We currently support the Breakfast Club at the Benalla P-12 College at the Faithful St Campus both with funds and hands on help on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It is a wonderful opportunity to engage with the children from Grade 5 through to Year 9. We also help in assisting at Avon St Campus with the Preps and 1-2 grades with reading, and also at Peranbin College Swanpool Campus.

Our yearly mission focus this year is with the Asylum Seekers Centre in Dandenong.

The Asylum Seekers Centre is a wholly voluntary interdenominational Christian response to the needs of asylum

seekers and refugees. It is currently staffed by 20 volunteers and assists refugees with clothing, food, household items and Christmas and Easter gift vouchers.

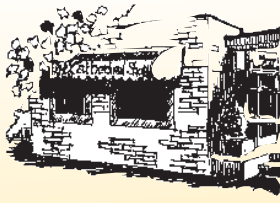
We reach out to the elderly in our local nursing homes each Monday at Cooida, the first Monday at Morrie Evans and pastoral visits to Estia Health. This is very much appreciated by both the residents and the staff.

In the lead up to Christmas

we have a Reverse Advent project. Last year we helped 12 families have a smile on their faces on Christmas morning. We had a laundry basket of food, bags of gifts for the children and a \$50.00 food voucher from Coles for each family. We already have two local stores ready to add support for this year.

We feel blessed to be able to support and engage with our near and far neighbours.






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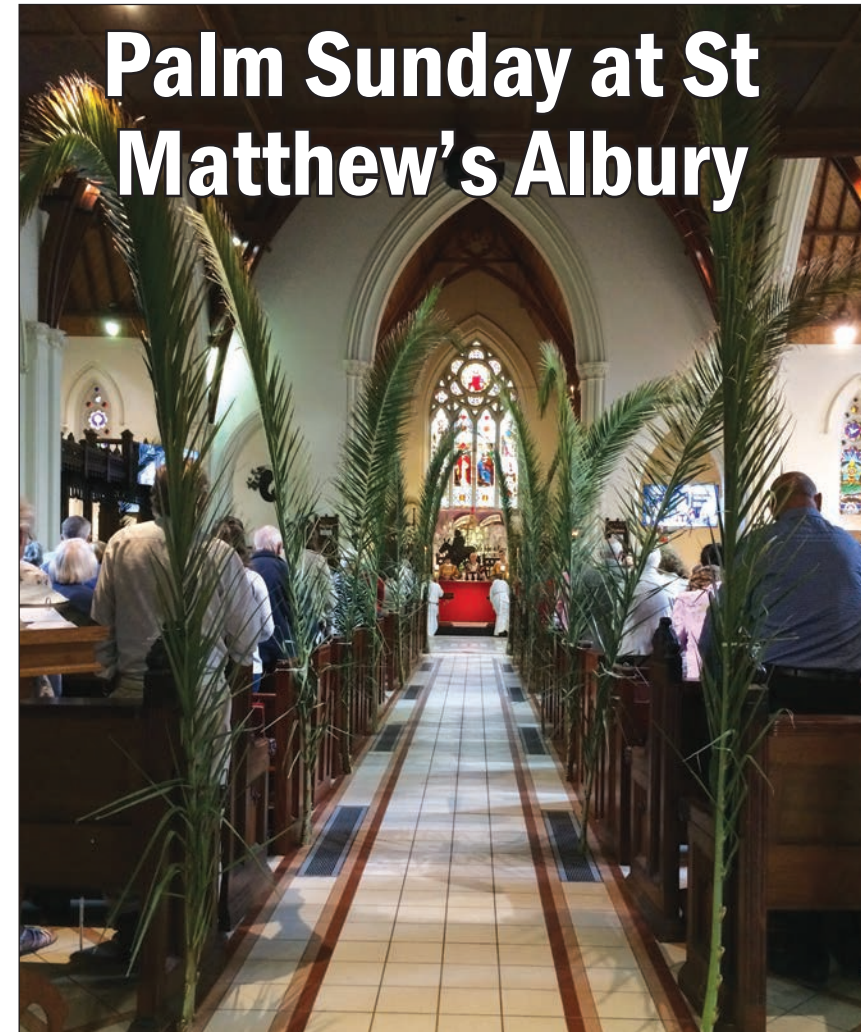
BY CAROLINE BURGE the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The world over celebrated Palm Sunday on Sunday March 25th. Christ Church was no different. With palms decorating the church and forming an archway down the aisle, the service began at the entrance of the church with parish priest Fr André first blessing the palms. As the congregation held their palms high, the organ swelled and voices raised to the traditional Palm Sunday hymn "All Glory Praise and Honour" as the procession entered the church.

The readings of the day were followed by St Mark's Passion Gospel read by the three servers, Caroline, Norman and Dean as the church once again heard

During Lent a newly formed singing group at Christ Church have been practising three special hymns for Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Day. Sometimes it is easy to sing along with a hymn concentrating on the tune without reading the words; but capably accompanied by our organist Kathleen, our hymn for Palm Sunday was the hymn "Trotting, trotting through Jerusalem". What a joyous and great start to Holy Week.

PHOTO LEFT: The start of the Palm Sunday Eucharist BELOW: Fr André in front of the decorated aisle with palm branches



Palm Sunday in Yarrawonga – Junior Reporters

On Palm Sunday, Yarrawonga Anglicans met in Kennedy Park with the neighbouring Catholics from Sacred Heart.

Yarrawonga Fun and Faith children were given the role of being Reporters aptly named Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, to "write an account of the service in the park".

Our trusty team each wrote accurately a short account of the event with different accents on Celebration, Unity, and belief....

written by many authors unlike the novels the children usually read, this gave them an understanding of why the Gospels record of the same event sometimes gives differing accounts.

"We were blown around by the wind and it rained. We were given crosses made out of Palm Leaves."

"We came back from the park and were sitting in church and it started pouring with rain. We were praying."

celebrated Palm Sunday with the Catholics. We waved Palms and sang."

"On Sunday 25th March all of the Catholics and Anglicans marched over to the park. They chatted happily with warm hearts. They started singing, it started to rain but that did not stop them. They handed out beautiful crosses. We then walked back to our church and celebrated Palm Sunday. The church was filled with smiles and cheer. That's Luke's Story Over and Out."

Learning that the bible is "Today at the park we



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St Luke's Yea and Fr Liam Matthews

BY JOHN ANDERSON

Fr Liam has been the locum at St Luke's since late January. All parishioners agree that the time with Fr Liam and his wife Madeleine has been a time of blessing. Fr Liam settled straight in, taking services and immersing himself in of all St Luke's other activities. His gentle demeanour and caring attitude ensure that we all feel very connected during services, meetings and chats. His quick wit keeps us on our toes.

It has been especially beneficial having Fr Liam with us during Lent as we

prepare for Easter. His knowledge of scripture and church history has given us other perspectives upon this vital part of our faith walk. At all times Fr Liam has asked how things have been done in the past at St Luke's and endeavoured to "not rock the boat" too much, whilst introducing us to different approaches.

Both Fr Liam and Madeleine have made themselves at home in Yea, it being too far to travel back and forth to their home in Inverloch. They seem to have enjoyed this welcoming rural town (not to mention the Pilates and strength classes).

We have the pleasure of their presence until Sunday 15th April after which St Luke's will be readying itself for the arrival of the new incumbent, Rev'd Eden-Elizabeth Nicholls. The parishioners of St Luke's will be bidding fond farewell to a couple who have fitted in so well at St Luke's and wish them well for their upcoming walking tours overseas. Thank you Fr Liam and Madeleine.

PHOTO BELOW: Fr Liam Matthews, Sue Carpenter, John Anderson, Lynne Burnet, Ann Taylor, Madeleine Matthews, Lisa Cooke, Phyllis Heggie and Val Young.



St Stephen's Flower Festival

BY CAROL FURSDON

The Parish of Rutherglen Chiltern once again held their annual Flower Festival over the March Labour Day weekend to coincide with Mothering Sunday.

Wendy Chambers and her band of helpers put together an array of beautiful floral arrangements depicting "The

Language of Flowers" from the bible. The arrangements took weeks to prepare with much detail. One of the local parishioners and very talented sculptors, Marie Castles also contributed a limestone piece RIVER SONG from her current series titled "Landscapes of the Heart".

Visitors from all over came to enjoy the flowers

which were displayed in St Stephen's church Rutherglen over 2 ½ days.

The Ladies Guild also offered Devon shire teas in the hall along with a small trading table.

PHOTO's BELOW & RIGHT: Some of the flower arrangements from the festival.



Safe Church Safe People

National Council of Churches Assembly, Melbourne

BY NIKKI COLLINS

The NCCA Assembly was held in Melbourne on 22nd March. Usually a gathering of heads of churches, this Assembly also included some safe church implementation leaders as the meeting focus this year was safe church standards and the implications for all churches of the recommendations from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Abuse. The theme was "Children in Our Midst". I was fortunate to receive an invitation as a result of my recent work with the NCCA Safe Church Training Agreement (SCTA) team.

A keynote address was delivered by Beth Barnett, an author of children's and families' ministry resources. Beth highlighted the one thing we all have in common - every one of us has been a child. What happens to us as a child is not left behind when we become adults but is a part of who we are and a part of what shapes us throughout our future. Because of this, we cannot dismiss child abuse as something that can or should be left behind, something that can be gotten over or locked away in a box labelled "childhood".

Beth's message is that doing things to protect children should never be seen as a problem, chore or inconvenience. We need to recognise that failing to protect children, failing to protect anyone, will have a lasting and significant impact much wider than on the immediate abuse victim.

The rest of the meeting looked at the recommendations arising from the Royal Commission, particularly the 10 child safe standards, and what organisations and the NCCA can do to implement the standards. This session was led by the Interim NCCA General Secretary, Liz Stone, and the Manager of the SCTA program, Laura Cregan. Liz stressed that we have all been affected by the Royal Commission, through the experiences of the abused and the lessons learned by the communities and organisations we are involved in. All organisations, not just churches, are being called to step up and create a culture that supports the safety and wellbeing of children.

In Victoria we are fortunate that the legislated Child Safe standards came into effect in 2017 so we are ahead of many other religious organisations in implementing important changes aimed at protecting children and vulnerable adults. Culture change and change management was identified by the Assembly as an area where many churches need additional support and I was invited to lead a group of church leaders in a discussion around this. It was exciting to see them draw on their various experiences to realise the necessary capacity exists within the ecumenical space and by working together, implementing the expected national requirements won't be quite as daunting.

The Diocese of Wangaratta will continue to work as part of the NCCA, Victorian Council of Churches and through the SCTA program to support local implementation of the necessary changes and to assist others where possible.

Commissioning of Junior School Chaplain, Mrs Cathy Carden

The continued growth of Cathedral College Wangaratta and its formalised structure of a Junior, Middle and Senior School has led to the College requiring a Junior School Chaplain to work alongside School Chaplain Reverend David Jones and the broader Anglican community. This month, Mrs Cathy Carden was commissioned as a Lay Chaplain in a special Chapel Service led by Bishop John Parkes AM and Reverend Jones. In attendance were Father Peter and parishioners from St Matthew's Anglican Church in Albury where Cathy has been a faithful member.

The service was not only an opportunity to formally recognise Cathy's role as Junior School Chaplain, but a chance to emphasise the spiritual dimension of the College and its relationships with the local Diocese and the broader Anglican community.

Cathy was raised in Bathurst and attended All Saints Cathedral before relocating to Wodonga in the mid-1990s. Completing her teacher training in 2003, Cathy taught in the north east of Victoria before commencing as a teacher of Religious and Values Education and Learning Enhancement at Cathedral

College Wangaratta, swiftly becoming an integral part of the Wellbeing and Pastoral Care team. Working within the Junior School, Cathy has coordinated Chapel Services, supported children on their individual learning pathways, assisted with Anglicare fund raising and provided programmes such as 'Seasons for Growth' to small groups of students. Alongside fortnightly Chapel, Cathy will continue to encourage students to develop a capacity for spiritual sensitivity and growth in their daily lives by

developing an understanding of the beliefs and practices of the Anglican Faith. As students progress through the school, this framework of beliefs is looked at in cultural contexts and they are encouraged to grow into effective, sensitive and empathic global citizens. Particular thanks must go to the Bishop of Wangaratta, John Parkes AM, Reverend David Jones and students for their involvement in the service.



"All God's Creation is Very Good!"

BY NOEL HUNT

This year the annual World Day of Prayer was held at St. Cuthbert's Yarrowonga on 2nd March and featured the small northern South American country of Suriname, a country of incredible flora and fauna. Hosted by Marjorie Wallace, 50 women gathered together to learn, to pray, to worship and socialize in friendship. Churches represented were the United, Presbyterian, Sacred Heart, St Andrew's by the Lake Mulwala, Ignite Life and St. Cuthbert's.

Seven chosen readers spoke for the Suriname

women with each identifying the important Gifts of Creation in their daily lives. It was a day of learning.

The Story of Creation: Genesis 1. 1-31 was beautifully read by Pat Burns. Following this the Guest Speaker, Noel Hunt enlarged each of the seven stories to highlight our essential dependence on the abundance of God's bountiful gifts in our everyday lives and the importance of using His gifts wisely, with care, respect and thanksgiving.

Then followed confession and Prayer for Forgiveness, Words of Assurance,

Prayers of Intercession and the Act of commitment ending with the Lord's Prayer.

The commissioning for the 2019 Service focus will be on "Slovenia" to be co-ordinated by the Ignite Life Church.

After the Benediction and final Hymn, with Carol Henderson at the organ, guests enjoyed the shared spread of Afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall.

A very happy occasion for us all. We thanked God for the freedom to worship and worshipping together on this beautiful day.



Matthew McInnes Award

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.

The recipient in that first year was Ria Voorhaar. In more recent years the award has been presented to the late Mrs Margaret Neaum (2007), Fr Bryn Jones (2009) and Eldorado

Homework Club (2011). Last year's recipient was Joy Clayton from Yea.

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 2018. Nominations should be sent to the Bishop by Friday 1st June. Post nominations to PO Box 457, Wangaratta 3676 or email bishop@wangaratta-anglican.org.au.




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Bishop Ken was ordained to the diaconate by the Bishop of Bathurst, Arnold Wylde, in 1953, and priested in 1954. He then served within the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd, a community of priests working in the outback of Australia. Members of the Brotherhood were appointed to outback parishes, remaining unmarried during their period of service. Without a regular stipend, their accommodation and living expenses were provided from the central funds of the Brotherhood.

After parish appointments in New South Wales and the Northern Territory he pursued studies at the University of Queensland. In 1965 he moved to Melbourne to work as assistant chaplain of Trinity College within the University of Melbourne and became its dean for two years in 1966.

On St Matthias' Day (24 February) 1968 Bishop Ken was consecrated at St John's Cathedral, Brisbane, Archbishop Phillip Strong KBE being the principal consecrator. On St David's Day (1 March) he was enthroned at Christ Church, Darwin, which became the cathedral as the new diocese - one of the largest in the world at 1,420,970 km² - was inaugurated. Cyclone

Tracy destroyed this building on Christmas Day 1974. Only the entrance porch of the cathedral remained and this is now incorporated in the 'new' Christ Church Cathedral, which was consecrated on 13 March 1977 in the presence of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev and Rt Hon Donald Coggan.

Bishop Ken travelled frequently around his large diocese, to the four main parish centres (two of them staffed by the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd) as well as to the Aboriginal missions, which were served by the Church Missionary Society. He fostered the vocations of indigenous ministry, ordaining seven men to the ministry (known as the 'Arnhem Seven'). He also oversaw the transition of the missions to government settlements with Anglican ministry.

After fifteen years in Darwin he left the diocese to begin work as Chairman of what was then called the Australian Board of Missions, now the Anglican Board of Mission, the national mission agency of the Anglican Church of Australia. He remained in this position for ten years, from 1983 until his retirement in 1993.

In retirement, he enjoyed a busy social life being in residence for 22 years at St John's Village, Glebe. During his retirement he has maintained his long-standing association with St James' Church King Street in the city, and travelled widely, including a locum in the Diocese of Hong Kong. He now receives the care of medical and nursing staff of Sirius Cove Aged Care facility in Mosman, having suffered a stroke in January 2015. On Saturday there was a celebration at Sirius Cove of his 50 years of episcopal ministry, and we wonder if there are any others who have reached this significant milestone.

Yesterday the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of the Northern Territory was marked by friends of the diocese with an afternoon tea hosted by St James', King Street, and attended by Bishop Ken and some of his successors - the Rt Revs Clyde Wood, Greg Thompson and Dr Greg Anderson, who has been the diocesan bishop since 2014.

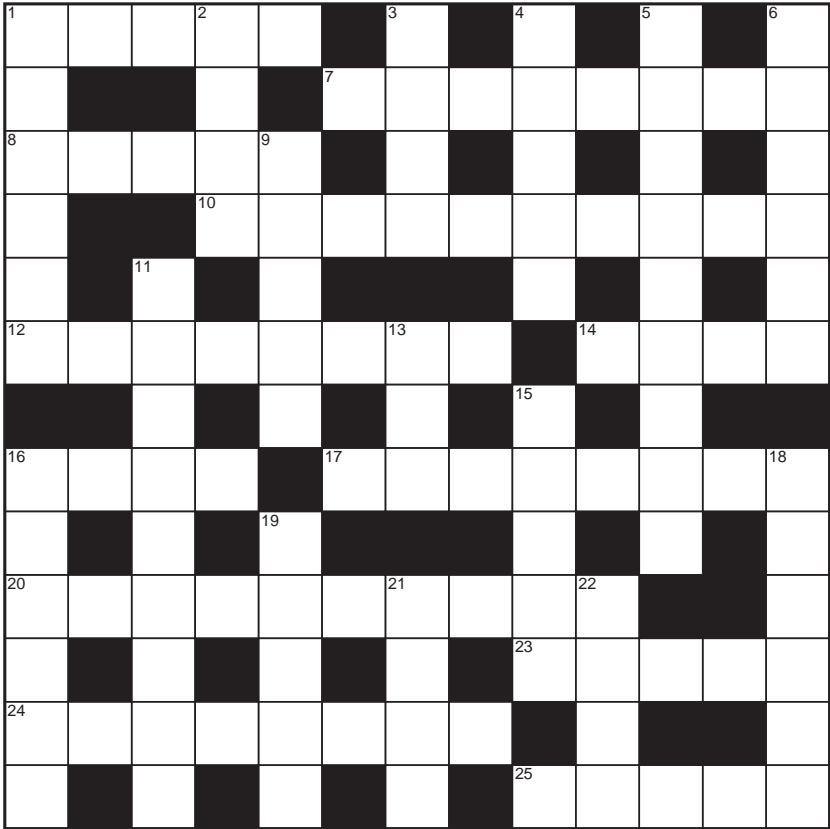
On Sunday 4 March the celebrations continued at St James', King Street, with the Bishop of the Northern Territory, the Rt Rev Dr Greg Anderson, being the preacher at the three Eucharists: 7.45am (said), 9.00am (sung) and 11.00 (choral, music by Byrd).

A booklet giving more details about Bishop Ken's ministry can be downloaded from: https://www.abmission.org/data/Publications/2018/Celebrating_Bishop_Ken_Mason.pdf

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CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

1. Pile of earth
7. Obvious
8. Chose
10. Impractical visionary
12. Clutching
14. One time
16. Castle ditch
17. Escapes
20. Alpine landslides
23. Squally

24. Confection on a stick
25. Curved (roof)

DOWN

1. Making cow sound
2. Have (to)
3. Mimicked
4. Stupefies
5. Not temporary
6. Go hungry
9. Smears

11. Pleasant tasting
13. Pen tip
15. Spiral fastener
16. Paltry
18. Remained
19. Ship's room
21. Food preparer
22. Grain storage facility

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Left to right: The Rt Revs Greg Thompson, Ken Mason, Dr Greg Anderson and Clyde Wood, all together at the 50th anniversary celebration for the Diocese of the Northern Territory. © Vivienne For/ABM, 2018.

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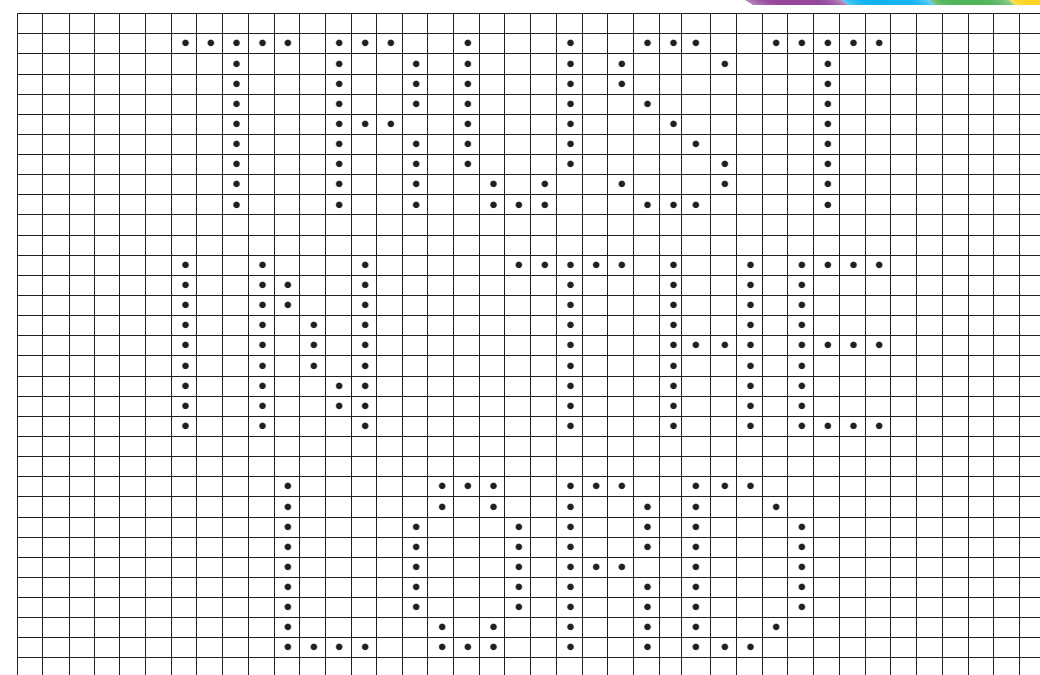
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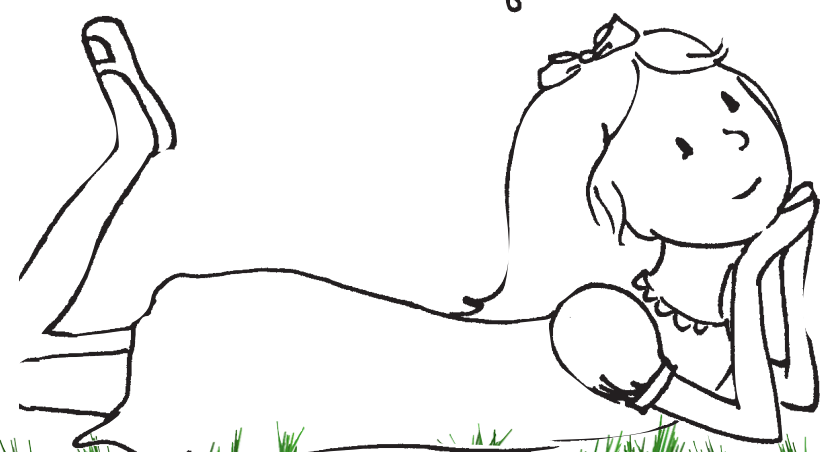
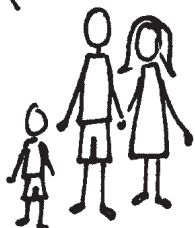
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Regular Parish Service Times

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 <i>St Matthew's, Albury</i> Sunday 9am Sung Eucharist Wednesday 10.30am 10.30am Children's Church (3rd Sunday every month) 5pm Evensong (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.	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 Wednesday 9am Meditation 10am Eucharist 4th Sunday 6pm Taize 5th Sunday 6pm Choral Evensong <i>Emmanuel</i> 1st & 3rd Sundays 9am Sung Eucharist <i>Holy Trinity Bethanga</i> 4th Sunday 9.30am Eucharist
BEECHWORTH <i>Christ Church Beechworth</i> Sundays 9am Sung Eucharist Tuesdays 4.30pm Hour of Silent Prayer Wednesdays 10am Midweek Eucharist <i>St Jude's Eldorado</i> Sundays 11am 1st & 3rd Sundays Eucharist 2nd & 4th Sundays Morning Prayer.	MANSFIELD <i>St John's Mansfield</i> Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion Thursday 10.30am 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& 3rd Sundays 10.30am Eucharist 2nd & 4th Sunday 10.30 Morning prayer <i>St Mark's Tangambalanga</i> 2nd Sunday 10.30 Eucharist 4th Sunday 8.45am Eucharist <i>St Paul's Allan's Flat</i> 1st & 3rd Sunday 8.45am Eucharist <i>St Andrew's Dederang</i> 1st & 3rd Sunday 7.00pm 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 Sung Eucharist Wednesday 10am <i>St Thomas' St James</i> 1st, 2nd & 4th Sunday 8.30am Eucharist
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.	MT BEAUTY/TAWONGA <i>St Aidan's Tawonga</i> 1st and 3rd Sunday at 5.00pm		

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PHOTO CAPTIONS

1. Central Goulburn MU branch members Mary Greenshields and Diane Grant installed as Social Actions and Issues and Mia Mia Correspondents with Bishop John Parkes and Mary Muntz. Diane also received her 40 years long membership certificate.
2. Guest speaker Michelle Bester thanked by Mary Muntz Diocesan MU president.
3. Rebecca Jones preparing the red wax at the Parish of Kilmore
4. Eleanor Jones preparing the melted white wax at the Parish of Kilmore
5. The church 'palm decorators' - Dean, Patty and Caroline at the Parish of Kilmore
6. Lent speakers at St Matthew's Albury.
7. Rev Peter Macleod Miller, Mark Carden, Cathy Carden and Maureen Beattie at the commissioning of Cathy Carden as the Junior School Chaplain of Cathedral College.