

# SPEAKERS' CORNER

...your internal newsletter for ABM happenings around the country

## ***Jesus Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

These joyous words will have rung out across churches in Australia and around the world by the time you read this. Your voices too will have proclaimed this truth and in this way connected you to all who have spoken these words since the women visited the empty tomb that first Easter morning. What an amazing gift!

We also connect with fellow Christians, and especially our Anglican brothers and sisters of ABM's partner churches, when we speak at parishes and conduct our fundraising events or other awareness raising activities in our parishes and our Dioceses. They are hard at work in their own communities ministering to those in need, speaking out against oppression and proclaiming the Good News of Jesus' Resurrection.

This issue we focus on 2 fundraising activities that occurred during Lent, in Bendigo and Adelaide Diocese. May they be an inspiration for you to perhaps try in your Diocese in 2019.

Synod season starts in May, so let's try and get an ABM presence at EVERY synod in 2018. We are the bridges between our Australian parishes and our partners. So please, tell us what you're up to!

Volume 02  
Issue 3 April 2018

## **Speakers' Prayer**

*Almighty God, as we engage with our listeners around Australia, may the gifts that you have taught us give us the confidence to spread your word and bring the work of ABM into the hearts of all Australians. Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.*

## **Inside this issue**

Focus on Lent Fundraisers	1
Appeals Update	2
Diocesan Updates	2
Provincial Updates	4
National Updates	4
At a glance calendar	5
Contact Details	6

## **FOCUS ON – Lenten Fundraisers**

### *Bendigo Diocese*

Cohuna Parish held an ABM Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day morning tea at the parish, serving **98 people**, and delivered **392 serves** of pancakes around the town of Cohuna. A serve consisted of 2 pancakes with jam and cream (or relish and sour cream) @\$4 each. In addition to the pancakes at the church, they held a fashion parade of clothing from their Op Shop, with clothes sold on the day. They cooked around **1200 pancakes** and raised **\$2274.64** for ABM. The parish members are given the ABM project books to choose the projects to be supported.

### *Adelaide Diocese*

Since **1980** the Adelaide ABM Auxiliary has made green palm crosses to raise funds for ABM. In 2018, **8 people** made **8830 crosses** (with a few assistants to collect and cut the palm fronds) and sent them to **36 parishes and 1 school** in Adelaide Diocese, and **1 school and 12 parishes** from other Dioceses across Australia. They had one request from a parish in Newcastle Diocese which they were unable to fill, but have promised to do so in 2019. While some other dioceses make palm crosses, the Auxiliary's green crosses are highly regarded.

## **APPEALS UPDATE**

### ***Lent Appeal and Good Friday and Easter Gifts***

STILL OPEN! Not too late to donate, so where possible remind people to send in their collections and envelopes or go online to donate.

*Details of all projects and how to donate online available from*

[Appeals page](#)

# AROUND THE TRAPS\*

<b>DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS</b>		
Diocese	Upcoming	Reports*
<i>* Reports only cover previous 2 month period</i>		
<b>Adelaide</b> <i>See also South Australia</i>	<b>2/5 Auxiliary Film Morning</b> fundraiser at Capri Theatre <b>"Finding Your Feet"</b> <b>29/7</b> Meagan Schwarz speaking at St Richard's Lockleys <b>2/9 Martyrs Day / Coaldrake Award</b> Event details TBC	Mar – 8830 palm crosses made and distributed to parishes across Adelaide and other Dioceses. Mar – funds raised from sale of spring bulbs 16/3 Auxiliary AGM, St Saviour's Glen Osmond
<b>Armidale</b>	<b>29/3 Seder Meal</b> Maundy Thursday	11/2 Pancake Breakfast at St Mary's, in lieu of Shrove Tuesday, 19 people, raised \$245 26/1 3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual "Breakfast on the Patio" at home of Bill and Judy Howarth, 21 people, raised \$235
<b>Ballarat</b>	<b>14/4 Ordination</b> of 4 Deacons, stoles and info packs to be presented <b>14/5 AWG &amp; ABM Annual Conference</b> Christ Church Warrnambool	No news
<b>Bathurst</b>	<i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i> Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>Bendigo</b>	Nothing scheduled	13/2 Shrove Tues Fundraiser, Cohuna Parish, raised \$2274.64 (see Focus On...for more details)
<b>Brisbane (Southern QLD)</b>	<b>14/4 Mission Support Breakfast</b> , St Andrew's Lutwyche <b>14/4 Consecration</b> Most Rev John Roundhill <b>15/4 Coaldrake Award Presentation</b> St John's Cathedral, Anne Street, Brisbane <b>May</b> ABM Trivia Night, St Alban's Wilston <b>10/6 Maryborough Auxiliary</b> Centenary Service Celebration, with John Deane <b>5-7/10 Synod</b> <b>Committee meetings</b> 11/4, 9/5, 13/6, 11/7, 8/12, 12/9, 10/10, 14/11, 12/12 <b>Auxiliary meetings</b> 20/4, 18/5, 15/6, 20/7, 17/8, 21/9, 19/10, 16/11	16/3 Auxiliary meeting 14/3 Committee meeting 11/3 Speaking engagement Greg H at Kawana Waters 7/3 Installation at St Mark's Buderim – stoles to be jointly presented by Grafton and SQ Dio Reps 16/2 Sarah G and Stephen H spent time with 18 St Francis College students 16/2 Auxiliary Meeting 14/2 Committee Meeting
<b>Bunbury</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>Canberra &amp; Goulburn</b>	<b>1/7</b> Invitation to speak at St Albans Woden	24/2 Ordination of 4 Deacons, stoles and info packs sent
<b>Gippsland</b>	<i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i> Nothing scheduled	No news

## **DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS**

<b>Diocese</b>	<b>Upcoming</b>	<b>Reports*</b>
<b>Grafton</b>	<p><b>May</b> Mission &amp; Ministry Region South meeting</p> <p><b>26/5</b> Fundraising Lunch - +Cam guest speaker</p> <p><b>15-17/6 Synod</b> display table and materials to be organised</p>	<p>24/2 Ordination of Priest – ABM stole presented</p> <p>23/2 Informal meeting with +Sarah to discuss way forward for ABM in Grafton</p> <p>4/2 Discernment Synod – ABM display table</p> <p>3/2 Special Synod – ABM display table</p> <p>December Meetings with Ministry and Mission Regions (MMR) Committees – dates</p> <p>2/2 Installation of Dean of Cathedral – ABM stole be presented</p>
<b>Melbourne</b>	<p><b>Committee meetings:</b> April TBA, 7/5, 25/6, 6/8, 3/9, 22/10, 3/12</p>	<p>18/2 Lenten Appeal Launch, Christ Church South Yarra</p> <p>5/2 Committee meeting</p> <p>3/2 Ordination – stoles to be given to 20 Deacons at post ordination meeting</p> <p>3/2 John Deane preaching Christ Church, Sth Yarra</p>
<b>Newcastle</b>	Nothing scheduled	2/2 Installation of new Diocesan Bishop, ABM Stole presented, attended by Chair of ABM Board
<b>North Queensland</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>North West Australia</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>Perth</b>	Nothing scheduled	<p>18/3 Ven Lionel Snell spoke to 65 parishioners at St Andrews Anglican parish, Riverton – Shelley</p> <p>13/2 Partnership in Mission meeting between ABM and Dioceses of Perth and Eldoret on the joint project with the Diocese of Eldoret</p> <p>10/2 Installation of Archbishop of Perth, attended by Chair of ABM Board and Exec Director</p> <p>24/1 Ordinations – 4 Deacons will receive a stole and info pack</p>
<b>Riverina</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>Rockhampton (Central QLD)</b>	<b>18-20 May</b> Synod	No news
<b>Sydney</b>	Nothing scheduled	<p>14/3 John D spoke at St James Institute</p> <p>28/2 Sydney Auxiliary Meeting</p> <p>25/2 Moya Holle spoke to 53 people at Sth Hurstville</p> <p>17/2 Ordinations – 1 Deacon received stole</p>

<b>DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS</b>		
<b>Diocese</b>	<b>Upcoming</b>	<b>Reports*</b>
		14/2 ABM Ash Wednesday Service and Lunch, John Deane spoke, St Luke's Concord-Burwood 1/2 Committee Meeting 28/1 John Deane preached , St James King Street 21/1 Moya Holle spoke to 98 people at St Paul's Burwood
<b>Tasmania</b>	<b>1-2 June</b> Synod	17/2 3 Deacons ordained and will receive stoles and info packs
<b>The Murray</b> <i>See also South Australia</i>	<b>25-26 May</b> Synod	No news
<b>The Northern Territory</b>	<b>29 May-1 June</b> Diocesan Festival	21/2 Alice Springs Christian Minister's Fellowship Ecumenical Lenten Services Celia Kemp spoke on 'Into the Desert'
<b>Wangaratta</b>	<b>22-23 June</b> Synod	No news
<b>Willochra</b> <i>See also South Australia</i>	Nothing scheduled	3/2 Ordination 2 Deacons received stoles and info packs

<b>PROVINCIAL HAPPENINGS</b>		
<b>Province</b>	<b>Upcoming</b>	<b>Reports*</b>
<b>New South Wales</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>Queensland</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>South Australia</b>	<b>4 April</b> Committee Meeting	9/2 Committee Meeting
<b>Tasmania</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>Victoria</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news
<b>Western Australia</b>	Nothing scheduled	No news

<b>NATIONAL HAPPENINGS</b>
<p><u>Upcoming</u>  <b>ABM Board Meetings, Sydney: 2018</b> 1-2 Jun, 14-15 Sept, 30 Nov-1 Dec  <b>Transforming Service Conference, Melbourne</b> 12 April  <b>Diocesan Representatives Conference, Adelaide</b> 27-29 July  <b>National Auxiliary Council Meeting, Sydney</b> 12-13 September  <b>ABM Board Dinner, Sydney</b> 14 September  <b>ABM Board/Staff Day, Sydney</b> 30 Nov</p> <p><u>Reports</u> – ABM Board met on 9-10 March</p>

# **AT A GLANCE CALENDAR**

<b>April</b>	W/B 1 <sup>st</sup>	W/B 8 <sup>th</sup>	W/B 15 <sup>th</sup>	W/B 22 <sup>nd</sup>	W/B 29 <sup>th</sup>
Sunday			Brisbane Coaldrake Award		
Monday					
Tuesday					
Wednesday	SA Prov C'ttee Mtg	Bne C'ttee Mtg			
Thursday		Transforming Service Conference			
Friday			Bne Auxiliary Mtg		
Saturday		Bne Mission Support Breakfast; Consecration Ballarat Ordinations			

<b>May</b>	W/B 1 <sup>st</sup>	W/B 8 <sup>th</sup>	W/B 15 <sup>th</sup>	W/B 22 <sup>nd</sup>	W/B 29 <sup>th</sup>
Tuesday					Nthn Territory Diocesan Festival
Wednesday	Adelaide Auxiliary Film Morning	Bne C'ttee Mtg			↓
Thursday					
Friday			Rockhampton Synod Bne Aux Mtg	The Murray Synod	
Saturday				Grafton Fundraising Lunch	
Sunday					
Monday	Melb C'ttee Mtg	Ballarat AWG & ABM Annual Conference			

<b>June</b>	W/B 1 <sup>st</sup>	W/B 8 <sup>th</sup>	W/B 15 <sup>th</sup>	W/B 22 <sup>nd</sup>	W/B 29 <sup>th</sup>
Friday	Nthn Territory Dio Festival Tasmania Synod		Bne Auxiliary Mtg Grafton Synod	Wangaratta Synod	
Saturday	Tasmania Synod				
Sunday		Bne Dio Maryborough Auxiliary 100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary			
Monday				Melb C'ttee Mtg	
Tuesday					
Wednesday		Bne C'ttee Mtg			
Thursday					

# **CONTACT DETAILS**

<b>OFFICE – 02 9264 1021</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>E-mail</b>
John Deane	Executive Director	<a href="mailto:executive.director@abm.asn.au">executive.director@abm.asn.au</a>
Michael Begaud	Marketing & Fundraising	<a href="mailto:marketing@abm.asn.au">marketing@abm.asn.au</a>
Meagan Schwarz	Committee Support	<a href="mailto:committee.support@abm.asn.au">committee.support@abm.asn.au</a>
Vivienne For	Communications Officer	<a href="mailto:communications@abm.asn.au">communications@abm.asn.au</a>
Fiona Richardson	Reception	<a href="mailto:info@abm.asn.au">info@abm.asn.au</a>

<b>DIOCESAN REPRESENTATIVES</b>		
<b>Diocese</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>E-mail</b>
Adelaide		
Armidale	Bill and Judy Howarth	<a href="mailto:billandjudyhowarth@gmail.com">billandjudyhowarth@gmail.com</a>
Ballarat		
Bathurst		
Bendigo		
Brisbane (Sth QLD)	Ken Spreadborough	<a href="mailto:kspread@bigpond.net.au">kspread@bigpond.net.au</a>
Bunbury		
Canb'ra & G'burn		
Gippsland		
Grafton		
Melbourne	Brett Collins	<a href="mailto:brett.collins@perfection.com.au">brett.collins@perfection.com.au</a>
Newcastle		
North Queensland		
North West Aus.	VACANT	
Perth		
Riverina		
Rockhampton	(Lay) Canon Val Gribble ML	<a href="mailto:valgribble1@bigpond.com">valgribble1@bigpond.com</a>
Sydney		
Tasmania		
The Murray	Rev Paul Devenport	<a href="mailto:pdevenport@vtown.com.au">pdevenport@vtown.com.au</a>
Northern Territory		
Wangaratta	Michelle Bester The Venerable Clarence Bester	<a href="mailto:michelle.bester2@gmail.com">michelle.bester2@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:archdeacon@wangaratta-anglican.org.au">archdeacon@wangaratta-anglican.org.au</a>
Willochra		

<b>PROVINCIAL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES</b>	
<b>Province</b>	<b>Name</b>
New South Wales	The Venerable Canon David Battrick
Queensland	Mr Stephen Harrison
Tasmania	VACANT
South Australia	Ms Emma Riggs
Victoria	The Very Rev'd John Roundhill
Western Australia	Mrs Claire Duffy (Barrett-Lennard)