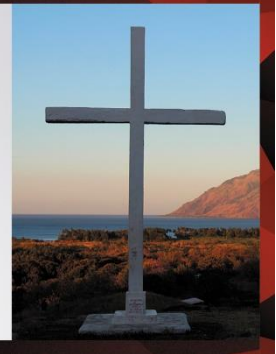




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Your internal newsletter for ABM happenings around the country



Diocesan Representatives Gather

What a joy it was to spend time in person (not just on the other side of a screen or phone) with our wonderful Diocesan Representatives during our very recent Dio Reps Conference. Details of how many came and what we discussed you can find in the 'Focus on' section. In this space I wish to make my personal thanks to Edwina, as Chair of the host committee, for her marvelous support in the planning and running of the Conference. Thanks also to those who attended for the first time for being such willing participants. And for the returning Dio Reps, your ongoing commitment to ABM each year is so encouraging to the staff.

This month we farewell two faithful Diocesan Reps: The Rev'd Paul Black from Canberra&Goulburn Diocese and The Rev'd Delfina Trail from Central Qld. We thank them both for their contribution to ABM and wish them both well in their ongoing ministry. We were blessed to have Alan Larsen, who is taking on the role in Central Qld, with us at the Conference. Please pray that a rep for C&G may be found soon to continue the work started by Paul.

Focus on Diocesan Representatives Conference

In numbers *Participants:* 18 Diocesan Representatives from 16 Dioceses, 3 Board Members, 1 National Auxiliary Rep and 9 staff members. *Pages of typed notes taken:* 10. *Plungers of coffee drunk:* 15

In words Some of the highlights from the discussions include:

- ♦ a commitment to support at Synods a draft motion about The Statement from the Heart and encouragement to ABM to pursue its advocacy around 'A Voice in the Wilderness'
- ♦ hearing about the success of the Wontulp Bi Buya Pilgrimage and exploring how other Dioceses might be able to promote this to engage ordinands or new clergy in mission
- ♦ hearing from across the Dioceses how ABM is present at Diocesan and parish levels
- ♦ being encouraged to be the salt, light, yeast, and new wine of mission in our Dioceses
- ♦ Reflecting on how ABM can help rejuvenate Diocesan Mission Committees and how ABM Dio Reps, Auxiliaries, Associates and others can collaborate more effectively to promote ABM, education people about mission and raise funds for ABM's work
- ♦ Imagining how fundraising and promoting ABM might look in the future
- ♦ Learning how to 'like' and 'follow' ABM on FB so you can see stories like [this](#)

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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.

Appeals Update – Martyrs Day

Martyrs Day Appeal will be launched on **Thursday 8th August**. A Launch notice will be sent out via email and details will appear on the front page of our [website](#) and also on our Facebook page.

Visit our [Appeals Page](#) for details on all current appeals

Around the Traps

Diocesan happenings

Diocese	Upcoming	Reports (prev 2 months)
Adelaide <i>See also South Australia</i>	29 September Peter Burke speaking at St Mary's, St Mary's 18-20 October Synod – items to be distributed	21 July Consecration – stole and info pack to be presented 14 July Meagan spoke to 30 people at St Aidan's, Payneham June-July Auxiliary Lamington Drive 23 June Choral Concert fundraiser, Christ Church North Adelaide 14 June Bishop David Naing spoke to 15 people at a supper function at St Cuthbert's Prospect
Armidale	27-29 September Synod – items to be distributed <i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	No news
Ballarat	31 August Ordinations of Priests and Deacons – stoles to be given 25-26 October Synod	No news
Bathurst	13-15 September Synod – ABM items to be given out <i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	No news
Bendigo	Nothing scheduled	11, 14, 21 and 25 June Deanery Rallies held in 4 locations across the Diocese – 96 people attended, total raised \$770 New Dio Rep appointed – The Rev'd Ian Howarth
Bunbury	4-6 October Synod – items to be distributed	2 Coaldrake Awards presented
Canberra & Goulburn	6-8 September Synod	30 June Sarah Macneil spoke at Launch of St Paul's Manuka's partnership with ABM for Reconciliation
Central Qld (Rockhampton)	6 August Ordination – Deacon to be given a stole <i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	New Dio Rep – Alan Larsen
Gippsland	24 August Ordination – stole and info pack to be presented	30 June Lloyd George spoke to 30 people at Stratford Parish
Grafton	DATE TBC Jackie Draffan speaking at Bellinger Valley Parish 1 September ABM Sunday/PNG Martyrs Day, Ballina Parish. Diocesan Archdeacon	14-16 June Synod – ABM items distributed 30 June St John the Baptist, Lennox Head Patronal Festival & Lunch; proceeds donated to Newton Theological College

Diocese	Upcoming	Reports (prev 2 months)
	Tiffany Sparks will be visiting and preaching at 3 services 21 September John Deane speaking at luncheon following service at Christ Church Cathedral, Grafton with Bp Murray attending 22 September Rev John Deane preaching in Christ Church Cathedral	
Melbourne	11 Aug Debra Saffrey-Collins speaking at St David's Moorabbin 25 Aug Coaldrake Award presentation, St Paul's Anglican Church Canterbury with John Deane and Archbishop Freier Dates TBC Brett Collins speaking at St Margaret's Eltham Committee meetings: 5/8, 23/9, 4/11	<i>Committee Meetings:</i> 24/6,
Newcastle	DATES TBC Speaking engagements at Belmont parish 13 – 15 August Diocesan Leaders (Clergy) Conference – John Deane speaking 27 November Robert McLean speaking at fundraising lunch at Thornton Parish <i>Working Group Meetings:</i> 1 August, 3 October	30 June Moya Holle spoke at St John's Taree June 4 Deacons ordained and received ABM stoles and info pack 8 June Mission stall at Harrington/Cooperook Parish <i>Working Group Meetings:</i> 6 June,
North Queensland	Nothing scheduled	14-15 June Synod – ABM items to be given out and SDG motion passed
North West Australia	Nothing scheduled <i>No Dio Rep appointed</i>	No news
Perth	11-13 October Synod Committee meeting: date TBC	No news
Riverina	18-19 October Synod <i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	15 June Consecration of The Very Rev Donald Kirk as Bishop
Southern Qld (Brisbane)	TBC Greg Henderson speaking, Parishes of Maranoa Warrego & Mitchell TBC ABM Trivia Night, St Alban's Wilston Coaldrake Award Presentations none planned Committee meetings 14/8, 11/9, 9/10, 13/11, 11/12 Auxiliary meetings 16 Aug, 20 Sept, 18 Oct, 15 Nov	28-30 June Synod – display stand, SDG motion passed, Gayndah Visit highlighted 7-8 June Asia Pacific Anglican delegates attended Climate Conference 8 May John Deane attended Committee meeting <i>Coaldrake Award Presentations:</i> nil <i>Committee meetings:</i> 12/6, 10/7 <i>Auxiliary meetings:</i> 21 June, 19 July
Sydney	7 Sept Martyrs Day, St Paul's Burwood Committee Meetings: TBC	No news <i>Committee meetings:</i> 11 July
Tasmania	9-13 Aug Robert to speak at events organised in and around Hobart and Launceston Committee Meetings: 13/8	14-15 June Synod – SDG motion not tabled due to lack of time. June Committee organising child protection policy compliance documents <i>Committee meeting:</i>

Diocese	Upcoming	Reports (prev 2 months)
The Murray <i>See also South Australia</i>	16 August Consecration of new Bishop in Adelaide, stole to be given 17 August Enthronement of new Bishop in Murray Bridge 20 Oct Speaking engagement at Naracoorte	30 June Meagan spoke to 65 people at St Francis', Christies Beach 16 June +David Naing, CPM, preached at Christ Church, Mt Barker
The Northern Territory	<i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	31 May -2 June Synod – ABM items distributed, SDG motion passed
Wangaratta	30-31 August Synod	29 June Ordination
Willochra <i>See also South Australia</i>	26-27 Oct Synod	7-9 June Diocesan Bible and Mission Conference

Provincial happenings

Province	Upcoming	Reports (prev 2 months)
NSW	• Nothing scheduled	• No news
Queensland	• Nothing scheduled	• June Wontulp-Bi-Buya Pilgrimage
South Australia	• 4 September Committee Meeting	• Committee Meeting: 3 July
Tasmania	• Refer to Diocesan Happenings	• Refer to Diocesan Happenings
Victoria	• Nothing scheduled	• No news
Western Australia	• Nothing scheduled	• No news

National happenings

Upcoming

- **ABM Board Meetings 2019** 13-14 September, 6-7 December
- **11-12 September** National Auxiliary Conference, Sydney
- **6 December** ABM Board/Staff Day, Sydney

Reports

- **25 July** Speakers' Training Day, Sydney
- **26-28 July** Diocesan Representatives Conference, Sydney
- **14-15 June** Board Meeting

Three Months at a Glance ...

August

- 1 Thu** *Newcastle* Working Group meeting
- 5 Mon** *Melbourne* Committee meeting
- 6 Tue** *Central Queensland* Ordination
- 9-13 Fri-Tues** *Tasmania* Speaking Engagements
- 11 Sun** *Melbourne* Speaking Engagement
- 13 Tues** *Tasmania* Committee Meeting
- 13-15 Tue-Thu** *Newcastle* Speaking Engagement
- 14 Wed** *Southern Qld* Committee Meetings
- 16 Fri** *Southern Qld* Auxiliary Meeting
- 16-17 Fri- Sat** *The Murray* Consecration and Enthronement of new Bishop
- 24 Sat** *Gippsland* Ordination
- 25 Sun** *Melbourne* Coaldrake Award Presentation
- 30-31 Fri-Sat** *Wangaratta* Synod
- 31 Aug** *Ballarat* Ordination

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Sun** *Grafton* Martyrs Day Speaking Engagement
- 6-8 Fri-Sun** *Canberra & Goulburn* Synod
- 7 Sat** *Sydney* Martyrs Day Event
- 11 Wed** *Southern Qld* Committee Meeting
- 11-12 Wed-Thu** *National* National Auxiliary Conference
- 13-14 Fri-Sat** *National* Board Meeting, Sydney
- 13-15 Fri-Sun** *Bathurst* Synod
- 20 Fri** *Southern Qld* Auxiliary Meeting
- 21-22 Sat-Sun** *Grafton* Speaking Engagements
- 23 Mon** *Melbourne* Committee Meeting
- 27-29 Fri-Sun** *Armidale* Synod
- 29 Sun** *Adelaide* Speaking Engagement

OCTOBER

- 3 Thu** *Newcastle* Working Group Meeting
- 4-6 Fri-Sun** *Bunbury* Synod
- 9 Wed** *Southern Qld* Committee Meeting
- 11-13 Fri-Sun** *Perth* Synod
- 18 Fri** *Southern Qld* Auxiliary Meeting
- 18-20 Fri-Sun** *Riverina, Adelaide* Synods
- 25-27 Fri-Sun** *Ballarat, Willochra* Synods

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Tas	<i>To be confirmed</i>	WA	The Ven Canon Angela Webb