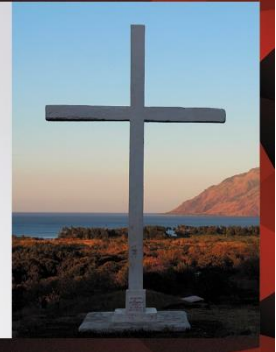




SPEAKERS' CORNER

Your internal newsletter for ABM happenings around the country



Remembering the Martyrs

It never ceases to amaze me how, every year, the stories of the Martyrs of PNG and the Solomon Islands continue to move me as I contemplate their role in God's mission in those 2 countries. Their stories entwine our churches together in a way that is difficult to articulate, but readily experienced when visiting our partners in person. The stories of hope that come from our partners today, stories of lives, changed, saved and redeemed because of the work of the church in these countries, in partnership with ABM, are a treasure chest of hope for 'ordinary Anglicans' who may be wondering where God is in the drought, economic downturn or ever dwindling parish membership. By remembering the Martyrs, themselves 'ordinary Anglicans' who followed God's call, we remember that God is active in all situations and that we too are called to live our lives, not for ourselves, but for those with whom we are called to serve.

As the 'faces' of ABM in your Dioceses you are serving the parishes, schools and groups in your Dioceses, helping them to learn about and be inspired by these stories of hope and encouraging them to answer God's call to join us in God's mission. May you in turn be encouraged by seeing all that is happening for ABM in the pages that follow. This publication is the place to share what is happening but also a place to 'Focus on...' new ideas, success stories, and things that might be possible, or need to be discussed further. For example, the different expressions of ABM in different Dioceses. As always, your input to Speakers' Corner is greatly appreciated.

Focus on Expressions of ABM across the Dioceses

At the recent Conference, participants discussed the range of ways in which ABM could be 'expressed' at a Diocesan level and how these can better be understood so as to better work together to promote ABM and engage people in God's mission:

- ✓ Diocesan Representative
- ✓ Diocesan Committee (or equiv.)
- ✓ ABM Auxiliary/ies
- ✓ ABM Associates
- ✓ Friends of ABM
- ✓ Parish ABM Reps
- ✓ Diocesan Mission Committee
- ✓ Parish Mission Secretaries

To facilitate this, we would like to compile a comprehensive listing of these expressions by Diocese so call for all and any information on as many of these as you know exist in your Diocese. Then we can build a picture with you and hopefully identify ways to maximise those resources for mission.

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.

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Appeals Update – Martyrs Day

The Martyrs Day Appeal supports projects in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. More details on the projects can be found [here](#). This year's featured projects are:

Newton Theological College, PNG

Providing for the

- training needs of students and their wives,
- the day-to-day needs of both the students and lecturers who live at the college.

Positive Parenting Program, Solomon Islands

- encouraging and equipping parents to raise children in a healthy, positive way.
- Implemented by Mothers Union

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>	8 September Speaking engagements: Meagan speaking at St Saviour's Glen Osmond; +Nestor speaking at location TBC 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 presented 14 July Meagan spoke to 30 people at St Aidan's, Payneham June-July Auxiliary Lamington Drive
Armidale	27-29 September Synod – items to be distributed <i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	No news
Ballarat	25-26 October Synod	31 August Ordinations of Priests and Deacons – stoles presented
Bathurst	13-15 September Synod – ABM items to be given out <i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	No news
Bendigo	Nothing scheduled	No news
Bunbury	4-6 October Synod – items to be distributed	No news
Canberra & Goulburn	1 September St John's, Reid, hosting Martyrs Day Commemoration Services 6-8 September Synod	No news
Central Qld (Rockhampton)	Nothing scheduled	6 August Ordination – Deacon to be given a stole <i>New Dio Rep – Alan Larsen</i>
Gippsland	<i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	24 August Ordination – stole and info pack presented
Grafton	DATE TBC Jackie Draffan speaking at Bellinger Valley Parish	No news

Diocese	Upcoming	Reports (prev 2 months)
	<p>1 September ABM Sunday/PNG Martyrs Day, Ballina Parish. Diocesan Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks as special guest</p> <p>21 September John Deane speaking at luncheon following service at Christ Church Cathedral, Grafton with Bp Murray attending</p> <p>22 September Rev John Deane preaching in Christ Church Cathedral</p>	
Melbourne	<p>1 Sept Martyrs Day Service at St Peter's Eastern Hill with lunch</p> <p>16-19 Oct Synod – SDG motion, display table</p> <p>Dates TBC Brett Collins speaking at St Margaret's Eltham</p> <p>Committee meetings: 23/9, 4/11</p>	<p>11 Aug Debra Saffrey-Collins spoke at St David's Moorabbin</p> <p>25 Aug Coaldrake Award presentation, St Paul's Anglican Church Canterbury with John Deane and Archbishop Freier</p> <p><i>Committee Meetings:</i> 5/8,</p>
Newcastle	<p>DATES TBC Speaking engagements at Belmont parish</p> <p>1 Sept Martyrs Day Service at All Saints Church, The Entrance</p> <p>Oct Synod</p> <p>27 November Robert McLean speaking at fundraising lunch at Thornton Parish</p> <p><i>Working Group Meetings:</i> 3 October</p>	<p>13 – 15 August Diocesan Leaders (Clergy) Conference – John Deane speaking</p> <p>15 Aug Fr Peter spoke to XX men at a Men's Dinner at YY</p> <p><i>Working Group Meetings:</i> 1 August</p>
North Queensland	Nothing scheduled	No news
North West Australia	Nothing scheduled <i>No Dio Rep appointed</i>	No news
Perth	<p>11-13 October Synod</p> <p>Committee meeting: date TBC</p>	No news
Riverina	<p>18-19 October Synod</p> <p><i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i></p>	No news
Southern Qld (Brisbane)	<p>1 September Martyrs Day focus at many parish services across Diocese</p> <p>TBC Greg Henderson speaking, Parishes of Maranoa Warrego & Mitchell</p> <p>TBC ABM Trivia Night, St Alban's Wilston</p> <p>Coaldrake Award Presentations none planned</p> <p>Committee meetings 11/9, 9/10, 13/11, 11/12</p> <p>Auxiliary meetings 20 Sept, 18 Oct, 15 Nov</p>	<p>15 Aug Sarah G spoke to 31 MU members at Deanery Mtg at Coalstoun Lakes</p> <p>20 Aug Sarah G spoke to Yr 6 students at Churchies</p> <p><i>Coaldrake Award Presentations:</i> nil</p> <p><i>Committee meetings:</i> 10/7, 14/8</p> <p><i>Auxiliary meetings:</i> 19 July, 16 Aug</p>
Sydney	<p>7 Sept Martyrs Day service with guest speaker Rt Rev Cam Venables, St Paul's Burwood</p> <p>Committee Meetings: TBC</p>	<p>No news</p> <p><i>Committee meetings:</i> 11 July</p>

Diocese	Upcoming	Reports (prev 2 months)
Tasmania	1 Sep Martyrs Day services at All Saints, Hobart and Holy Trinity, Launceston Committee Meetings: TBC	9-13 Aug Robert spoke at events organised in and around Hobart and Launceston <i>Committee meeting: 13/8</i>
The Murray <i>See also South Australia</i>	7 September +Brent speaking at reception at Barmera 8 September +Brent preaching at Barmera and Waikerie 20 Oct Speaking engagement at Naracoorte	16 August Consecration of new Bishop in Adelaide, stole to be given 17 August Enthronement of new Bishop in Murray Bridge
The Northern Territory	<i>Awaiting appointment of new Dio Rep</i>	
Wangaratta	Nothing scheduled	30-31 August Synod
Willochra <i>See also South Australia</i>	26-27 Oct Synod	No news

Provincial happenings

Province	Upcoming	Reports (prev 2 months)
NSW	• Nothing scheduled	• No news
Queensland	• Nothing scheduled	• No news
South Australia	• 2 September Martyrs Day Evensong, St Cuthbert's, Prospect • 4 September Committee Meeting • 6 September ABM Provincial Dinner with guest speakers from ECP	• Committee Meeting: 3 July
Tasmania	• Refer to Diocesan Happenings	• Refer to Diocesan Happenings
Victoria	• 26 November Provincial Gathering ig at Christ Church South Yarra	• 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
- **13 September** ABM Board Dinner
- **6 December** ABM Board/Staff Day, Sydney

Reports

- **25 July** Speakers' Training Day, Sydney
- **26-28 July** Diocesan Representatives Conference, Sydney

Three Months at a Glance ...

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Sun** C&G, Grafton, Melbourne, Newcastle, Southern Qld, Tasmania Martyrs Day Speaking Engagements/ Services
- 2 Mon** Adelaide (SA Province) Martyrs Day Evensong
- 6-8 Fri-Sun** Canberra & Goulburn Synod
- 6 Fri** Adelaide (SA Province) Annual ABM Dinner with ECP Guests
- 7 Sat** Sydney Martyrs Day Event; *The Murray* Speaking Event
- 8 Sun** Adelaide, *The Murray* Speaking Engagements
- 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** Melbourne, Riverina, Adelaide Synods
- 20 Sun** *The Murray* Speaking Engagement
- 25-27 Fri-Sun** Ballarat, Willochra Synods

NOVEMBER

- 13 Wed** Southern Qld Committee Meeting
- 15 Fri** Southern Qld Auxiliary Meeting

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