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# Welcome to Bishop Mark



On a splendid Autumn day in Goulburn the Diocese celebrated the consecration and installation of the Reverend Dr Mark Short as its 11th Diocesan Bishop in a service at St Saviour's Cathedral.

Long, bright robed lines formed outside in the sun before the service began with a procession of theological students of the Diocese, local and visiting clergy, Canons, Deans, Archdeacons, Bishops and Archbishops into the Cathedral, where 1200 guests from around the Diocese and the country gathered to welcome the new Bishop.

The Bishop-Elect proceeded to the Great West Door, where representa-

tives from The Bush Church Aid Society, Chair of the Board Fred Chilton, Chief Operating Officer Greg Bridge and Helena Painting from Bookham Community Church, together with the presenting Bishops The Right Reverends David Robinson and Ray Smith, presented him to the Dean of the Cathedral, the Very Reverend Philip Saunders, who greeted the Bishop-Elect on behalf of the Diocese.

The Metropolitan and Archbishop, the Most Reverend Dr Glenn Davies, then lead the service. Indigenous Ministry Officer for Bush Church Aid, The Reverend Neville Naden, began his sermon by saying that while one group was celebrating, the Bush Church Aid Society was grieving the loss of such a fine leader, before preaching from Ezekiel Chapter 34, entertaining and encouraging the congregation with stories that reminded those gathered of the character of a good shepherd and the promise that God himself will be the shepherd of his people: will care for his sheep, rescue them, provide for them, feed them good pasture and bind up

their wounds.

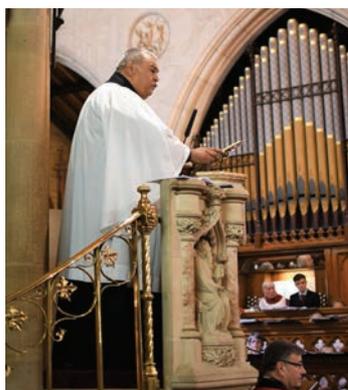
The Oaths and Declarations were said before the Metropolitan, after which 21 Bishops from around the country, including the Primate of Australia, Philip Freier, and Archbishop of Brisbane, Phillip Aspinall, laid hands on the Bishop while Archbishop Glenn Davies said the blessing and prayer.

Archbishop Davies presented Mark with the Scriptures, saying 'take them for your rule, and declare them to the world'. Sons Andrew and Matthew Short presented the Pectoral Cross, which once be-

longed to former Diocesan Bishop, The Right Reverend Cecil Warren, with a reminder that 'he whom you serve reconciled us by his blood'. The Episcopal ring was presented by former Assistant Bishop of the Diocese Genieve Blackwell. Ms Giselle Burningham presented the Cope and Mitre and Mr Raymond Howes the Episcopal Staff.

The Dean then led the Bishop-Elect to his Cathedral seat, where Bishop Trevor, as Diocesan Administrator, inducted Mark into the possession of the See of Canberra and Goulburn and presented him with the Diocesan Pastoral Staff. The Metropolitan said the recognition and Bishop Mark was then presented to the congregation by Bishop Trevor, now returning to the post of Vicar-General.

Mayor of Goulburn Mulwara, Bob Kirk, welcomed the Bishop on behalf of residents of the local area and Senator for the ACT, the Honourable Zed Seselja, welcomed him on behalf of the Federal Government. Catholic Archbishop Christopher Prowse gave a welcome on behalf of the heads of other churches and religious bodies, leading in the great prayer from Ephesians 3. Mr Mark Le Couteur and Archdeacon Caroline Campbell welcomed him on behalf of all the lay people and clergy of the Diocese.



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The new Bishop has expressed that he is honoured and humbled that the Diocese has called him to serve alongside them in this way and excited about the opportunity.

He concluded the service by saying 'It's often said that it takes a village to raise a single human life ... Monica and I are so aware of the contribution so many of you have made to our lives. You have shaped us in so many ways ... Let the adventure begin.'

He plans to approach the new role in three ways: being open to the needs and opportunities within communities; listening to people's questions about faith; and being attentive to what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

The service was followed by a sunny picnic in the Cathedral grounds, which was enjoyed by a large crowd of guests and parishioners from around the Diocese.

by Alison Payne



The Third Procession, including The Primate of Australia and the Cathedral Chapter, poised and ready to enter the Cathedral.

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*Bishop Mark Short*



The Bishop-Elect taking the Oath of Obedience before the Metropolitan and Archbishop of Sydney, The Most Reverend Dr Glenn Davies.



Clergy of the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn followed by Anglican Bishops from around Australia on their way into the Cathedral.



The Laying on of Hands by Anglican Bishops from around the country.



Bishop Mark administering the Communion to a full Cathedral congregation.



Bishop Mark Short and his family during the Greeting of the Peace.



Chancellor of the Diocese, The Honourable Richard Refshauge and Diocesan Registrar, Mr Trevor Ament.



Archbishop Christopher Prowse giving a welcome on behalf of the heads of other churches and religious bodies.



Former Assistant Bishops of the Diocese The Right Reverends Genieve Blackwell and Matt Brain.

# Aboriginal War Dead to be Honoured Anzac Eve

BY REVEREND HAZEL DAVIES



Australia's cradle-creedal oath is born and nurtured by the ANZAC legend when we cry 'Lest We Forget'. An identity conceived from our infant nation's blood shed on foreign soils and seas. Through victories and heroic defeat 'Australianhood' is gestated as we remember those who fought and died to keep us young and free. Enduring and perpetual public memorial enshrines our collective embryonic memory consolidating a transplanted nation and its burgeoning multicultural fractals. We needed this birth because non-indigenous Australians have been delivered to these shores since colonisation from ancient civilisations with umbilical cords flexing from as

far as the other side of the planet. British colonies combined giving succour to the new nation. However, the truth is, from the time of European occupation 123 years before federation, as many as 300,000 or more aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples perished through acts of colonial 'war', sanctioned genocide, murder and manslaughter. These First People's borders were squandered, and their ancient civilisations largely terminated through imperial decree and military instruments of mass destruction. The cruelty of racist supremacy fuelled by economic greed continues as the original custodians of the continent's land and water ways suffer the

covert and enduring consequences of inter-generational pillage and trauma. Their blood cries out from the ground while there is still no memorial or national celebration of these Frontier Wars' dead.

Australians of diverse origins and creeds are facing up to the once-hidden hypocrisy of blood on the wattle. We need to come of age as a nation and boldly remember both the 102,000 military deaths and recognise the deaths of three times as many First Peoples on our own soil. The legitimacy of our national identity is genetically faulty unless we recognise and remember the whole story in the celebration of what it means to remember all that fell in the birth of the land we now call Australia.

The Christian church, and Anglicans in particular, have responded to both front lines of foreign military conflict and First People's destruction since colonisation, calling for justice. Recently the Desert Pea Blood Flower of the Barkindji nation, more commonly known as Sturt's Desert Pea, has been recognised as a floral emblem to parallel, not compete with, the Flanders Poppy. Their song line seeks peace through remembering the battle of two aboriginal groups where one was massacred and the other called to account by the Great Spirit for their deaths in a Cain and Abel like

scenario. The following season the vivid red flower emerged from the ground crying out for healing and peace just as the Flanders poppy defied the carnage on the western front with its red emblematic call. With the elder's permission and request the Desert Pea is now becoming a talisman for peace and healing.

On ANZAC Eve 24 April there will be a Day of Workshops and Reflection for the death and destruction of First Peoples facilitated by a team led by the Rev Hazel Davies at the Chapel of The Australian Centre of Christianity and Culture at Blackall Street in Barton, ACT. People wanting to be equipped or reflect are welcome to events that will roll through the day from 11.00am to 5.00pm. This will connect with the evening Peace Vigil from the top of Mount Ainslie to the War Memorial commencing at 6.00pm. More details are available online at [www.facebook.com/desertpeabloodflower](http://www.facebook.com/desertpeabloodflower). Or you can contact Hazel directly via email [hazeldavies@gmail.com](mailto:hazeldavies@gmail.com). Peas/ce be with you this ANZAC Day.



# Finding Meaning - A Dementia Seminar

BY REVEREND DOUG NEWMAN



Drawing on the deep experience and expertise of the Reverend Dr Elizabeth Mackinlay the Parish of Batemans Bay hosted a full day seminar on 'Finding meaning in the experience of Dementia'. The seminar, attended by 90, was focused for people with dementia, their care partners and pastoral carers. Chaplains, health professionals and organisations working in the Dementia field also attended.

As a pastoral carer visiting a patient with a broken arm you might ask 'How is your arm today?' When on your visits have you ever started the conversation with 'How is your dementia today?' 'Why don't we ask this question?' Dementia is almost a forbidden subject. A subject that can raise deep fear as we reflect on it for those we love, for ourselves and for our future. Who are we? What defines us as a person? Can the

meaning be taken away from our lives? Liz gently helped us address these issues of fear and concern by reminding us that dementia is not a biological disease but a condition of the whole person; to be addressed in body, mind and spirit.

Meaning (and identity) are not defined by our capacity for cognitive language and capacity for conversation but by the depths of our relationships and our connectedness. Hope arises out of meaning and relationship is key to connecting with people who have dementia. Sharing our spiritual stories is a very significant and powerful way of affirming identity and building relationship. The seminar suggested some good opening questions for pastoral carers might be: 'What brings meaning to your life?' or 'Where do you find purpose in life?' Liz will also be presenting at the 8th International Conference on Ageing and Spirituality to be held in Canberra 27-30 October 2019.

The parish is also supporting a

Community Life seminar 'Tough Love: dealing with drug addiction' on Tuesday 3 April and is planning a Spirit 2019 Conference on 13-14 September with Ken Fish as the speaker. Further details are available from the parish on [anglicanbay@gmail.com](mailto:anglicanbay@gmail.com).



# Commissioning of the New Principal at Sapphire Coast Anglican College



A new Principal for Sapphire Coast Anglican College, Bega, was commissioned on February 25th 2019. The new Principal is Mrs Tracey Gray, who formerly acted as Head of the Duncraig Campus of St Stephen's School in Perth.

After completing her schooling, Mrs Gray spent ten years working in the finance sector. Her childhood experience of 11 schools in three countries contributed to her motivation to re-train in education, in order to provide students with a positive experience of learning, which recognises individual gifts and makes the learning experience intriguing and inspiring. For over fifteen years she has taught at both primary and secondary levels, and she has a particular interest in building connections between parents and schools.

Mrs Gray was Manager of Federal and State Government Initiatives for the Association of Independent Schools WA from 2009-2012. In this role she provided K-12 consultancy and leadership to 150 independent schools on managing the finances of independent schools, school

improvement, strategic planning, registration, and the roles and responsibilities of board members. Mrs Gray represented the Independent Schools of WA in national initiatives including development of the Australian Curriculum, Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership Teacher and Principal standards, and Performance Development Frameworks for Schools. Along with Phil Ridden, she wrote a book for the Australian Council for Educational Research called *So you want to be a teacher?*, which aims to de-mystify the teaching profession for people thinking of a career in education.

Mrs Gray has a Master's degree specialising in educational leadership, literacy and restorative practices, and has enjoyed doing biblical studies at Trinity Theological College in Perth, along with her husband Steve, a business analyst.

Special guests at the commissioning assembly included the Mayor, Ms Kristy McBain, past Principal Mr Andrew Duchesne, Dr Sue Duchesne, Headmaster of The Kings

School, Parramatta, Mr Tony George and Dr Jenny George. The heads of The King's School and Sapphire Coast Anglican College are keen to work together.

Also taking part in the commissioning were student leaders, the College's new Chaplain, The Reverend Tim Narraway, who is the Youth and Families Minister across the Anglican parishes of Cobargo-Bermagui and Bodalla-Narooma, and The Reverend Captain Stuart Haynes, who is Acting Rector of the Anglican Parish of Bega. A musical item dedicated to Mrs Gray was written and performed by 14-year-old Felicity Dowd, who has recently returned from performing at the Tamworth Country Music Festival.

Chair of the South Coast Anglican Schools Board, Dr Jill Ireland, indicated at the commissioning

service that the Board and the whole College community are thankful to God for providing a Principal who is dedicated to using her gifts for the benefit of students and staff at the College.

Sapphire Coast Anglican College is spending 2019 celebrating its first 25 years, and looking forward with anticipation to developments over the next quarter-century.

*by Dr Jill Ireland  
Chair, South Coast Anglican  
Schools Board*



## Shovel Community Garden Establishes Roots at Holy Covenant Jamison

### COMMUNITY GARDEN

*everyone welcome*

E-mail: [shovel@holycovenant.org.au](mailto:shovel@holycovenant.org.au)

Holy Covenant Jamison has established a new outreach ministry called SHOVEL.

SHOVEL is a community with a common interest in nurturing the resources that God has given us. We are doing this by growing our own food, using sustainable practices.

Anyone with an interest in sustainable gardening is welcome to join us, regardless of gardening experience and knowledge. We are particularly inviting inviting neighbours living in units who may not have a space to garden, refugees and people with a disability to join our community.

Members can share in the harvest of the vegetables we grow together in our community plots and/or can rent their own plot for a small annual fee.

On 19 January we braved the heat to construct our first beds. The beds are raised, with wide paths to facilitate easy access.

We will meet monthly to share a meal together and to learn more about gardening in Canberra.

For more information or to join SHOVEL, contact [SHOVEL@holycovenant.org.au](mailto:SHOVEL@holycovenant.org.au).



## Clergy Moves

*The Reverend John Jenner* has been licensed as Intentional Interim Priest (p/t) in the parishes of Gundagai and South West Slopes Ministry District (Batlow and Tumbarumba) till October this year.

*The Reverend Ian Marshall* has been licensed as Intentional Interim Priest, Queanbeyan and District Anglican Church (14.03.2019).

*The Reverend Philip Rademaker* has been licensed as Assistant Minister (Youth and Families) (Deacon) Hawker Parish (14.03.2019).

*The Reverend Emma Street* has been licensed as Priest-In-Charge (p/t) Charnwood (30.03.2019).

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