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## NOW THAT'S A FONT!!



On their recent visit to England, Bishop Godfrey and Bronwyn visited Salisbury Cathedral and saw for the **first time the Cathedral's** magnificent new font. Permanently filled to the brim with water which constantly overflows into the floor of the Cathedral, it acts as a metaphor of Christ the Living Water into whom Christians are baptised, and **is a design that 'combines movement with stillness.'** The font, designed by William Pye, is cruciform in shape spanning three metres and is suitable for both baptism by pouring or immersion. It is made of green patinated bronze with a Purbeck

freestone plinth. It was consecrated by the Archbishop of Canterbury in 2008, and the four consecration marks in holy oil have become part of its richness.

**Canon Treasurer, Mark Bonney, who is responsible for the Fabric of the Cathedral, said "For the first time in almost 200 years the place where baptism is administered will reflect the importance which we as Christians attach to it. Its location near the entrance to the cathedral is a very powerful symbol, reminding us of our own journey through life, of pilgrimage and discipleship. The words which have been engraved on the four curves of the font are taken from the new baptism and confirmation services which the Bishop of Salisbury, Dr David Stancliffe, was instrumental in creating and are therefore of particular significance to us all. Taken from Isaiah Chapter 13 verses 1 and 2 they read, 'Do not fear for I have redeemed you. I have called your name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you. And through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you.'**

### PERSECUTION OF ANGLICANS CONTINUES IN ZIMBABWE

The Bishop of Harare the Rt Revd Dr Nicholas Chad Gandiya said he is suspicious of a robbery at his house in which only money and communications equipment were taken. On the same day that international media carried the news of the arrest and imprisonment of Anglican priest Reverend Julius Zimbudzana and of the impending visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury to Zimbabwe, four men forced their way into the bishop's home.

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*Moranbah, the main worship centre of Moranbah Parish. Which church will we see next month?*



## A Message from the Bishop



Dear Friends,

October 2011

*Jerusalem is the only city in the world that is regarded as existing both on earth and in heaven. It is certainly a place of intense focus on both a political and religious level. The state of Israel and most Jews regard Jerusalem as their eternal and undivided capital, while Palestinians grieve the forced annexation of East Jerusalem from Jordan in the 1967 war, and Muslims see it as sacred because of its association with the prophet Mohammad and his 'night journey'. For Christians Jerusalem is a sacred place because of the key events that took place there in the life of Jesus, though non Palestinian Christians have no political claims to the city.*

*One day at St George's College we were divided into groups and asked to visit a nominated quarter of the old city. Some went to the Jewish quarter, and others to the Armenian and Muslim sections. Bronwyn and I along with the Archbishop of Toronto and his wife were allocated the Christian quarter.*

*There were a number of tasks given to us to complete and these included meeting people from the area and asking them about life in the city, and bringing back a symbol to the whole group.*

*Our most vivid random encounter was with two elderly Palestinian Christian ladies who were cousins who invited us into their home and gave us glasses of fresh sweetened lemon juice. Their children have all left to live overseas and they were fearful of what would happen to their homes once they could no longer live there.*

*Mindful that Jerusalem had in the 20th century been successively under the rule of Ottoman Turks, the British, the Kingdom of Jordan and the state of Israel, I asked the ladies this question: "What country do you live in?" Without hesitation one of them replied "Jerusalem!"*

*Another person that day gave the same answer to that question and went on to reflect on 4 years he had lived in Canada near his children. "In Canada" he said, "no one came from there but everyone felt at home. Here in Jerusalem, everyone comes from here but no one feels at home!" Jerusalem is a potent symbol of the situation in Israel and Palestine. No one is going to move unless they are forced, and no one feels secure. Jesus wept over Jerusalem when he entered the city before his death. It seems that not much has changed, yet we still pray in hope for peace for the earthly city, a peace past mere tolerance, a peace based on justice and respect.*

*The symbol we brought back to St George's College was very simple. It was one of the paper serviettes the hospitable old ladies had given us. It symbolised their hospitality to perfect strangers, but in retrospect I now see that it could also have represented tears of sorrow.*

Yours in Christ,

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## A JERUSALEM JOURNEY

Bishop Godfrey and Bronwyn have recently returned from leave which included two weeks study leave. This time was spent at St George's College in Jerusalem where they participated in a course on "The Palestine of Jesus". St George's College is a College of the Anglican Communion in the care of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem.

While based in Jerusalem the course involved field trips to Bethlehem, Caesarea on the Mediterranean coast, Nazareth and Galilee, the Jordan Valley Jericho, Qumran and Masada.

**Bishop Godfrey has reflected that while 'it is easy to describe where you have been on a journey, it is quite another matter to take hold of its meaning. This is even more so in a place as complex as the land of the Holy One with all of its historical and faith connections alongside the current realities of Israel/Palestine.'**

Environmental Message  
in old city street



Even Holy Shines need repairs

Street Cleaning in old city



### EUCHARIST AT REDLICH CHAPEL

Every Wednesday at 12:30pm a Eucharist is celebrated in the Chapel of Vivian Redlich and the New Guinea Martyrs at Kershaw House, Glenmore Road, North Rockhampton. Any who are able are encouraged to come. The Chapel can be accessed through the front doors of Kershaw House.



### NOVEMBER RETREAT FOR LAY PEOPLE

There are a few places left for the Lay Retreat which will be held at The Haven, Emu Park from November the 10th to the 13th. This year's Silent Retreat will be conducted by Franciscan Brother Alfred who will be coming up from the Hermitage at Stroud near Newcastle. Here is an opportunity to get away and rest and be spiritually refreshed. Book with Caroline Strickland on 49226755 or [caroline@anglicanrock.org.au](mailto:caroline@anglicanrock.org.au)

### ALLEGATIONS OF ABUSE

A protocol has been established to respond to any complaints of abuse within parishes and agencies of the Anglican Diocese of Rockhampton. Anyone wishing to seek assistance should telephone The Director of Professional Standards: Mr Rod McLary on 07 3835 2266



## BARNS & BIRTHDAYS AT WANDAL

Visitors from London, Norway, Atherton and Sarina were among those who attended the 2011 Barn Service. Also present were all members of the Ridgeland congregation, some other visiting local residents, plus many who travelled from Rockhampton out to the country property on a crisp spring Sunday morning. As has been the case in previous years, the Barn Service **was held on the Reeve's property at Alton Downs.** Our sincere thanks to John and Jenny, Anna and Mitch, who toiled to prepare the barn for our service. Our thanks to Jenny also, for giving a moving reflection on her own faith journey. Morning tea was held after the service, which was quickly followed by a Sausage Sizzle and BBQ.



The Barn Service is always enjoyable, and brings us closer to our creator God by worshipping close to nature. Also, these days, how many young people make the effort to come to church on their 21st birthday *before* going out to celebrate? This is just what Camille Lindley did recently. We were very impressed by Camille putting God first, and **pray for God's blessing on her in the future.**



## MONDAY MORNING TEAS IN EMERALD

Most Monday mornings, fresh **morning tea is enjoyed at St Luke's Emerald Hall.** The recipe for the food served that day is available, and as the photo shows, it is popular with all who attend. This outreach is popular with the young Mums, although everyone is welcome.



## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### NEWS FROM LONGREACH

The Flower Show has passed with wonderful weather, a happy crowd and a great financial return. Fortunately Canon Alan was well enough to enjoy it. He has had several weeks of very poor health and on two Sundays was happy to have a **"proxy" take our service.** **Bishop Ron Stone** was visiting for a wedding so we had the pleasure of his company, (Alas Lizbeth was unwell during their visit). Then Fr Alfred Gerlach, with his wife Shirley, was passing through on a holiday trip. He volunteered to conduct a service and it was a very happy experience for all. Canon Alan did manage the graveside service for Peg Avery who had been associated **with St Andrew's for many years.** We rejoice Peg has her rest while our sympathy goes out to her family. The next week brought another funeral, this time at Stonehenge for Gary Smith, whose employer and workmates wanted to give him a proper send off.

### MOURA GIVES THANKS



As part of the Moura Coal and Country Festival the Churches Together in Moura held a combined Harvest Festival Service at St David's Anglican Church in Moura on Sunday 21st August 2011. The church was beautifully decorated with the harvest of the land, the harvest of the farmers, the harvest of people's hands and the harvest of the coal mines. The service took the form of a praise, worship and thanksgiving service to Almighty God for his abundant provision for us. Groups from each denomination participated in the prayers, readings and liturgy leading. It was a royal thanksgiving occasion focused on Jesus our King. Also the Moura congregation has sadly said farewell to Bronwyn and Mark Day. Both have been very active at **St David's, Moura and Mark has been a Synod representative for Dawson Valley parish.** Mark has accepted a position in Blackwater so hopefully they will find a new spiritual home in that parish. The congregation **of St David's gives thanks for the friendship and support given by Bronwyn and Mark and wish them all of God's blessings in their new home.**



## NORTH ROCKHAMPTON MILESTONES

1961 was a special year for four couples in our parish as they made their wedding vows. With permission, three couples have shared some of their story.



*Everard and Lorraine Smith*, met at a country dance in Ridgeland and later married in **St Paul's Cathedral on 9 September 1961. After** honeymooning in Sydney, they moved into their newly built home in Talbot Street, where they have resided for 50 years. Everard and Lorraine have 3 children, Lyn, Warren and Helen and four grandchildren Stephanie, Ethen, Emily and Harvey. The wedding party, Reg, Ken and Val were in Rockhampton together with family and friends to share in the celebration.

*Revd Ken and Pamela Raff*, were married in **St Paul's Church Maryborough on 16 September 1961** while Ken was an assistant curate at **St Paul's Cathedral in Rockhampton. Returning to** Rockhampton, they rented a house in Dennison Street, near today's **Anglicare Bargain store. A** move to Miriam Vale with their first child Jennifer happened soon after, and then in 1963 to Longreach. Five years later they moved back to **Rockhampton with Jennifer's siblings Michael,** Phillip and Catherine, where they have lived for 43 years and **Simon was born. "The church is very** different compared to 50 years ago. People are seeking social and spiritual sustenance in many different ways. We give thanks for the people we have met who have enriched and blessed our lives **through Parish and Diocesan involvements."**

*Gordon and Audrey Hinchliffe* married in St Barnabas Church on 30 September 1961. The couple lived in Main St, Park Avenue and were blessed with two daughters Leanne and Michelle. **While worshipping at St Matthew's, the two girls** were members of GFS; Gordon served on Parish Council and became Church Warden; Audrey became a member of Mothers' Union. They have travelled extensively throughout Australia and New Zealand and overseas to UK and Europe. **"Our** grandchildren have been a blessing and great joy and we thank God for the past 50 years we have **shared together."**

Our congratulations and love to all from the Parish.



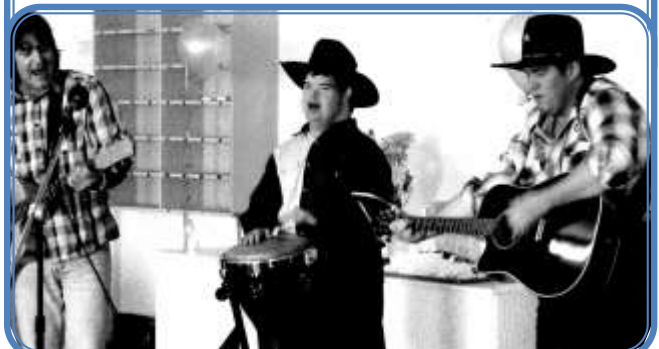
**Birthday Celebrations**  
At eighty years young, Mrs Ivy Dawson celebrated her birthday with a Harley Davison motor bike to Emu Park and back.

## SPRINGSURE SUMMERISES

I am often told that there is nothing to do in Springsure. I also find it difficult to understand how such a view can be true. At **St Peter's we hardly have time to think. First,** there was a public trustee day community workshop with a variety of talks covering topics such as public housing, taxation, Centrelink, and aged care, to name a few. It proved to be very informative and educational for those who attended. Next came the congregational meeting when parishioners were encouraged to air their views concerning the future of the parish and to do things in a better way. We are all very grateful to Sharon and Leonard Rodda in conducting a Bible study in their home. Sharon has a lovely morning tea awaiting after which Bible study is ably led by Mervyn Blake. Street stalls continue on a regular basis and still proves popular thus raising much needed funds, but the labourers are getting fewer. We are still in the throes of being frozen Christians, I wonder when we shall thaw out and become energised once more. Keep praying and never give up.

## THE CALLIDE VALLEY COFFEE CLUB

The "Coffee Club" is a gathering of people with intellectual and physical disabilities. They come together on the 4th Monday of the month with their carers to have a time of friendship and fun. A short Gospel message is shared and they will ask for personal prayers. Hoy is their favourite game and came about as a request from the group. We get anywhere between 26 and 36 members attending on our meeting days. God has often brought much joy and special blessings to our meetings. Pictured are Daniel Perkins on the Djembe **Drum and Rory O'Donahue on the guitar,** both members of the "Coffee Club", seen together jamming with Gary who is a local music teacher. On occasion they have **supplied music for the "Coffee Club" and** brought a spirit of joyfulness, worship and celebration to their gatherings.





## ANSWERING CHILDREN'S QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CHURCH

Part 5 in a 7 part series of quick answers for children.

Who made the first church?

Jesus told Peter and the other disciples to be his church, so, after Jesus went back to heaven, they **started meeting for prayer on Sundays, in each other's homes. This was the first church.**

Why do people go to church?

To praise God and hear his messages for our lives and be together with other Christians.

Who can go to church?

Anyone and everyone. All the people who go to church actually are the church, because an empty **building by itself wouldn't be a proper church at all.**

Do we have to go to church?

Going to church is really, really important to keep our lives with God balanced, and to share support and encouragement with other Christians.

Why do we go to church on Sundays and not on the sabbath day?

**The word "sabbath" actually means "rest". For people of the Old Testament, the day of rest was the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the week, but for Christians it is Sunday, the day Jesus came alive again.**

Why do people get Baptised?

Getting baptised is like putting up your hand to say that you want to be a child of God, part of his big world-wide family of the church.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY RETREAT

Calling all persons involved in all kinds of Children's Ministry. The "Stepping Stones" Fellowship Weekend, a time of Quiet Retreat, Rest and Relaxation is to be held at Cool Waters Holiday Village, from 14-16 Oct and to be conducted by Revd Narelle Kidson. For information contact: Pam on 49281792 or whitelighter@ozemail.com.au or Jacqui on 49273852 or jacglen@tpg.com.au

### MINISTRY EDUCATION COMMISSION:

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See website for the position description: [www.ministryeducation.org.au](http://www.ministryeducation.org.au)

Closing date for applications: October 31, 2011.

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## "AND IT WAS GOOD..."

### A LENT COURSE FOR 2012

**The Fifth Mark of Mission**, "to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew **the life of the earth**", is sometimes seen as the neglected mark across the Communion. Lent next year offers another opportunity to redress this, with the help of a course coming out of the work of the Bible in the Life of the Church project. The five week course will enable individuals and groups to engage with a Bible wide range of scriptural passages that speak of our responsibilities in relation to the environment, and offer reflections on how Anglicans in different parts of the Communion engage with the Bible with questions that challenge our thinking and behaviour. The course will be available both on the web, and available as booklet. It will be available before Advent 2011 but, you will be able to sample the course on line during September, and order booklets for use in 2012. The Anglican Communion Standing Committee highly recommended this course at their meeting earlier this year. For further details contact Stephen Lyon, Coordinator of the Bible in the Life of the Church project at [stephenplyon@gmail.com](mailto:stephenplyon@gmail.com) or go to: [www.aco.org/ministry/theological/bible/index.cfm](http://www.aco.org/ministry/theological/bible/index.cfm)  
<http://www.anglicancommunion.org/acns/news.cfm/2011/9/6/ACNS4936>

## PERSECUTION OF ANGLICANS CONTINUES

*(Continued from page 1)* They ordered him and his family to lie on the floor and then proceeded to ransack the house. Bp Chad said, "We gave them all the money we had between us all which came to \$600 to \$800. They threatened to kill us if we did not give them money. They searched my son's bedroom and ours for money and any valuables they could get. They took our laptops and all our cell phones. We rejoice and thank God that none of us were hurt. We simply did what they told us to do. I am however, very suspicious of this robbery. It seems what they were after were just the laptops and phones." He added that the robbery means that his ability to communicate is now, much more limited than before. The robbery took place only hours after the Priest-in-Charge at **St Mary's Anglican Church**, Reverend Zimbudzana, was finally released from jail after being arrested on a charge of taking over Anglican church property worth over US\$1.5 million. A spokesperson for the Diocese of Harare said yesterday, "We thank God that Reverend Zimbudzana was this afternoon released from police custody without any charges laid against him. The Attorney General's office said the police should investigate their case before making arrests. Although we are afflicted in every way, we are not crushed and we do not lose hope." The Anglican Church in Zimbabwe has been under attack from the excommunicated bishop, Dr Nolbert Kunonga, since 2007. Kunonga, with the support of police and henchmen, has seized CPCA church property and used violence to break up church services. In an interview with the New York Times, Dr Kunonga was quoted as saying that his aim is for his church to control about 3,000 Anglican churches, schools, hospitals and other properties in Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana and Malawi. Since a recent ruling that Dr Kunonga had custodianship of properties belonging to the Church of the Province of Central Africa he has started forcing Anglican priests and others to leave homes and other buildings. Today the Zimbabwe government supported newspaper, The Herald, revealed that the latest victims of Dr Kunonga's eviction campaign were the Revd Muyengwa Murombedzi, the headmaster of Daramombe Mission near Chivu, and Mr Denford Javangwe, the headteacher of Daramombe primary school, and senior nursing staff at the Mission.

<http://www.aco.org/acns/news.cfm/2011/9/9/ACNS4937>

## DIOCESAN LAY MINISTER TRAINING

In 2010 Bishop Godfrey appointed Revd Des Potter as Chaplain to Lay Ministers. After consultation with parishes and Lay Ministers Des has now arranged two training days. They are open to all Lay Ministers and will be a great opportunity to learn more about what it means to be a Lay Minister, to deepen our personal faith and to meet and discuss ideas, challenges and joys with Lay Ministers from other parishes. Dates, Venues and Times:  
October 29th ~ 9-3pm ~ **St Luke's Hall, Wandal**  
November 19th ~ t.b.a. ~ **St Faiths, Lammermoor**

The programme for each day is still being finalised but will be slightly different for each centre. There is no cost for the training but please bring between \$5 and \$10 to cover the cost of lunch. For more information please contact Revd Des Potter 0458 616 717; Revd Phil Ward (Keppel Parish) 0407 392 419; Mrs Caroline Strickland, (Lay Minister Wandal Parish) 0413 617 089. While these days are open to all parishes within the Diocese, training days for other areas can be arranged by phoning Des. He is available to travel to your parish and tailor training to your needs.



## FACING LIFE'S QUESTIONS WITH GRACE AND HOPE

An interviewer once quoted Stephen Hawking to John Lennox, Professor of Mathematics at Oxford University. Hawking had said that "Heaven is a fairy story for people afraid of the dark," and Lennox replied, "Atheism is a fairy story for people afraid of the light." Professor Lennox, who as a student saw CS Lewis lecture, was in Melbourne in July to debate the philosopher and atheist Peter Singer on the question 'Is there a God?' He spoke to Roland Ashby after the debate.

RA: I was deeply moved by your response to Peter Singer on the question of why an all-powerful, all-loving God allows suffering, particularly the suffering of the innocent. You said you had immense sympathy for this question, and that you had been in Christchurch two days after the earthquake, you had stood in Auschwitz many times and wept, and you had also experienced the terrible personal suffering of your own brother who was badly injured in a bomb blast in Northern Ireland. How do you begin to cope with something so awful? How does your faith give you the resources to cope?

JL: Well, the first thing to say is there are two levels. These problems create a pastoral issue, and they **create an intellectual issue, and it's important to realise that there are two sides to it, because a cold intellectual assessment by somebody sitting in an Oxford common room is not likely to speak to someone who is suffering.** I sympathise with Peter Singer because it is the hardest question we face, but on the other hand, the atheist solution is no solution at all, it actually makes the problem 10,000 times worse. **I didn't get a chance to say this in detail in the debate, but the point is, what has atheism got to say to a 30 year old mother who has just been told she's got cancer? Because it is no hope for her personally, and the kind of thing that Peter Singer said, "I hope to live on [through family and books]," is no answer.** She is not going to live on, and she has no hope of ever seeing her children again and so on. Now, the Christian faith here faces the problem square on, and as I said in the debate, the cross of Christ tells me number one that God has not remained distant from **human suffering, but become part of it. But it didn't end with the cross, because there was the resurrection, and it's that that gives me tremendous hope.** If we look at it through atheist eyes, death is the end and that's it, and it's hopeless. Christianity brings hope.

RA: Singer asked, Is the gift of free will worth all the suffering in the world? This reminded me of the famous Dostoevsky question, which is along the lines of: If the price of life and all we enjoy about life depends on the suffering of even one child, is it morally defensible?

JL: The problem for atheism is that it says well this is just how it is, but why is there so much good in the world, and where does the concept of evil come from? Atheists believe we are simply the end product of mindless unguided processes, and I still feel the

weakest point for their whole argument is, where do you get morality from? Singer holds a very strong moral position, but I don't think he has an intellectual base for morality. In terms of Dostoevsky and the little child, atheism stares at that with blank hopelessness, and says that's just how it is. **So, it's not giving us any solution. It doesn't remove the pain.** At least as a Christian, I believe there is enough weight in the cross to trust God with the solution that one day, when God shows me, I will understand.

RA: **You're from Northern Ireland. What is it about religion you think which leads some to hatred and violence? This is one of Dawkins' essential criticisms of all religion.**

JL: **Yes, and it's partly valid. Well, I've written a great deal about this in my new book, Gunning For God, which is an ambiguous title, derived from the experience in Northern Ireland.** The first thing for me to say is that my parents were Christian and not sectarian, and that made a very big difference to my upbringing, and they allowed me to think. But, **even more basically, my reaction is to say I'm ashamed of it as a Christian. I'm ashamed that the name of Christ has ever got associated with violence. People who take up their weapons to defend Christ or his message are not following him, they're disobeying him. 'My kingdom is not of this world' he said, 'Otherwise my servants would have been fighting.'** And the irony of the whole situation is that the criticism you raise is exactly the thing Jesus was accused of, stirring up terrorism and violence, and he was publicly pronounced innocent of it. I do feel, on a wider front, that the trial of Christ will need to be studied much more by people because the declaration of his innocence of that charge is crucial to the Christian case. So, I say, look, the existence of counterfeit money doesn't prove that the real stuff doesn't exist, but it can make it hard to find. Now, there is a lot more that can be said because the other side of it is that the new atheist strategy is to blame everything on God and exonerate atheism. I have spent a lot of time in Eastern Europe and Russia, and there is no excuse for one death in the Inquisition, but I think the total figure of those put to death by the Spanish Inquisition was about 800 people. Stalin got rid of about 60 million. Dawkins sings the song, 'imagine a world without religion', by John Lennon, but I often say to people I'm not John Lennon, I'm John Lennox, and my song is 'Imagine a world without Stalin, Hitler and Pol Pot.' There is no excuse for any of those deaths. But when you look at the atheist side, it's responsible for death in the multi millions. **It wasn't Christianity that made the 20th century run with blood.**

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