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ECUMENICAL SERVICE

In Prayerful Celebration of the Queen's reign



An Ecumenical service to celebrate the Sapphire Jubilee and the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Sunday, 19 March, drew more than 400 people to the regular monthly Choral Evensong at St Paul's, specially transformed for the service in music, anthems, prayers and readings.

The Order of Service described the Choral evensong as one of the great treasures of the Anglican Church, a service much loved by many Anglicans, including Her Majesty the Queen. It is a service enhanced by the large repertoire of music written over the centuries which beautify the event. Some of that same music was sung by two choirs—Canberra's chamber choir *Igitur Nos* and St Paul's own choir, drawn together by St Paul's Director of Music, Matthew Stuckings, with organist Christopher

Ersine. The liturgy for the service was from the *Book of Common Prayer* 1662 which Anglicans have used across 400 years.

The service was organised with the Commonwealth Parliament. The convenors of the Parliamentary Supporters for Constitutional Monarchy, an all party group of Federal Parliamentarians committed to recognising the role of the Crown in Australia's constitutional arrangements, extended their appreciation to the Rector of St Paul's, the Venerable Dr Brian Douglas, for his guidance in preparing the service.

Participating clergy offered prayers and thanks from the collects and the intercessions for the life and service of

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THE ROAD AHEAD

Preparing for a new Rector

Manuka Parish has begun thinking about the appointment of a new Rector when the present Rector, the Venerable Dr Brian Douglas, retires.

Dr Douglas indicated at the annual general meeting of the parish that he proposed to retire in August 2018 when he reaches the age of 68. He has been Rector for nine years.

The process for the selection of a new Rector was foreshadowed at the meeting with the election of three parochial nominators for a three year term (2017-2019). Their term will include the selection and appointment of a new rector after Dr Douglas retires in mid 2018.

The present three retiring parochial nominators, Robert Deane, Lynette Glendinning and Matthew Stuckings were re-elected unopposed.

Dr Douglas said he had enjoyed his time at Manuka and he believed the Parish was doing good things together.

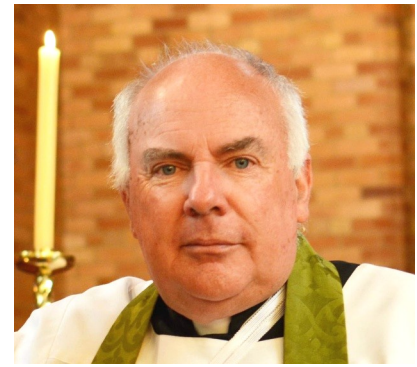
He said the Parish's vision of providing quality worship while at the same time reaching out to others was being met by the parish working together and by many people taking responsibility to carry out the work of the Gospel.

"Finding a new rector," he said, "is an important matter. Many people tell me that they value the style of worship we have at Manuka and this is one of the reasons why they come. We follow a liturgical pattern of worship which is enhanced by excellent music and dignified services.

"We have, I believe, a great

treasure that is not found in many places and so if this is valuable to us we need to preserve what we have. It is important that our next rector also value this style of worship if we wish to preserve what we have. It is essential that the three people elected as parochial nominators have a good understanding of the parish and are of one mind concerning the qualities of the next rector when they enter into negotiations with the Diocese.

"When the nominators meet with the Diocese to complete the



so many loyal and regular parishioners.

"On an average Sunday we have across our two centres approximately 250 people at worship. This is remarkable in this day and age and clearly suggests that many people are attracted to the message of the Gospel presented in this parish and the way we present and live it.



The Rector, Presiding Member of the Parish Council, reported on a year of activity within the Parish

task of selecting a rector, the parish must stay united and firm in its resolve in order to achieve what they want. I believe that it would be a great tragedy if the long-established traditions of the parish are not maintained.

"The Parish of Manuka has a style not found in many other parishes of the Diocese and this, I believe, is the reason why so many people tell me they value what we have and the reason why we have

"Over my time here I have placed great emphasis on the worship of the church as our first and most important duty to God. Organised, liturgical worship, biblically based preaching and outstanding music, allow us to worship God well and in our distinctive style.

"We do not want to lose our distinctiveness. This is not to denigrate other parishes since they have legitimate styles, but it is an affirmation of what we have in this



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place and what has been here from the very beginning of the parish's life. It is from our worship that we go out to do other things".

Dr Douglas said that the development of the Manuka site continued as a diocesan priority. Wardens had been working with the Diocese so that the interests of the parish were represented and met.

The development represented a significant opportunity for St Paul's to develop its facilities which continue to age. The opportunity to have independent living units on the site would provide an additional ministry opportunity.

Development Proposal

The Registrar of the Diocese, Trevor Ament outlined progress on the development.

The development /re-development of Diocesan assets was a central component of the vision for the Diocese to realise capital funds and generate new income streams.

The Diocese had initially identified five sites (properties) for potential redevelopment. In April 2016 a Property Development Commission was formally established.

The purpose of the Commission is to assist Bishop-in-Council "to be good stewards of God's historic provision to the Diocese". As a Committee of Bishop-in-Council it will assist in assessing, prioritising and overseeing the developments.

In 2016 the Property Development Commission issued a Strategic Planning Report. The report addressed in detail the work that had been undertaken across all five sites. One of these sites was the St Paul's precinct.

Bishop outlines Diocesan strategy

In a message to the meeting, Bishop Stuart Robinson spoke of the Diocese "facing significant structural, spiritual, financial, relational and moral challenges". He outlined the interconnection between these challenges and increasing the Diocese's financial capacity through development projects.

One such challenge was historic abuse of vulnerable people in our churches and organisations, which the Royal Commission had brought into clear and very painful relief.

He said: "The findings of the final sessions of the Royal

Commission as they related to Australian Anglicanism were sobering and at times, very dark reading. "In reading this information", he said, "I'm hoping that we'll all understand why the Diocese insists on careful and detailed probity checks and why we have very high standards in relation to morality, behaviour and discipline".

He spoke of his "three big ticket" agenda to advance the Diocesan dream, to see 'the love of Jesus transform people and communities': Deployment, Debt and development.

He said he wanted to identify, train and deploy gifted and able people into situations where they can effect transformation and life change.

His expectation was for all our ministry units and agencies to coalesce around the dream in all their activities. Ours was an interdependent 'organism'...though it is not without its complexities.

He spoke of what he described as 'legacy' debt associated with property and plant and relational and financial debt those years of unchecked abuse and the mistreatment of vulnerable people had generated. "We are working assiduously to engage carefully and sensitively in this arena and we are making progress".

Bishop Stuart said: "I do want us to generate income and I do want us to use it to facilitate the dream of transformation through the love of Jesus.

"I wish to thank you all for being a part of this transformation with the proposed development. Although much has been undertaken there is a long journey still to go. Your Christ-honouring witness positively impacts the lives of thousands of people. I am personally grateful for your commitment and care".

“Renew us with Your Holy Spirit”

With the Rector having indicated at the annual general meeting that he plans to retire in 2018, and with proposals for a major development of the St Paul’s precinct, also discussed at the meeting, the Parish now faces two important conversations significant for the life of the Parish.

Discussions on the details of the Diocese’s development proposal are already under way. A second, and equally important conversation is about to begin: the process to appoint a new Rector.

In consultation with the Rector *Community* deemed it appropriate to inform Parishioners of the process and their participation in it. The Parish has already elected the three parochial nominators who will be involved in the selection process. As part of the process they will

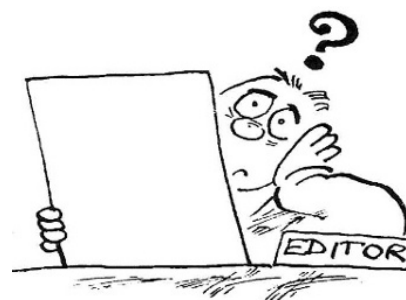
consult with parishioners to guide them in preparing the Parish profile and Parishioners’ expectations for a new Rector who will lead the Parish.

Each Sunday during the Eucharist we pray “to renew us with your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son”.

The conversation with the Parish nominators opens a door on an opportunity for reflection, discernment, refreshment and renewal of our faith together.

In his first address to Synod, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, spoke of the need for the church to re-imagine ministry at all levels.

For that re-imagination to be more than surface deep, he said, we need a renewal of prayer and the



religious life. “It is in prayer, individually and together, that God puts into our minds new possibilities of what the church can be”.

The Archbishop of York reminded the Church of England General Synod that every Christian is a witness, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to share their encounter with Jesus Christ, what they have experienced to nurture our faith and to grow spiritually in affirmation with each other.

Discernment can bring clarity, renewed energy and heightened awareness. To reflect on past experiences is to renew and refresh for the future.

THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR A NEW RECTOR

The Archdeacon, (not the present incumbent, but probably one of the Bishops) would inspect the parish including the rectory and point to any work that is needed before the arrival of a new rector.

The Archdeacon (or Bishop) then convenes a Clergy Appointment Board at the direction of the Diocesan Bishop. The Board is chaired by the Archdeacon who does not vote. It comprises three Diocesan representatives and the three parish parochial nominators.

The Board gathers names and considers the needs of the parish.

The parochial nominators are intimately involved in the selection of names, the consultation process and the Clergy Appointment Board meetings. In consultation with the parish, the Parish’s parochial nominators draw up the parish profile.

The Clergy Appointment Board forwards the names of

suitable candidates to the Bishop, who indicates which candidates can be interviewed.

Suitable candidates approved by the Bishop are then contacted and if interested interviewed. Following interviews the Clergy Appointment Board votes and recommends a name to the Bishop; the Bishop decides whether or not he will make the offer of the parish to the nominated person. This person then indicates if they accept the offer or not.

The Bishop has the big picture and has access to information that the Board may not have.

The appointment is the Bishop’s appointment and not the Parish’s appointment. If the Parish submits three names and this is not successful then the parish loses the right of nomination and the Bishop can appoint a person whom he sees as appropriate. This is usually done in consultation with the parish as the Bishop will not want to create a potentially unworkable situation.

IN PRAYERFUL CELEBRATION

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the Queen and “for all that she has given to her people, uniting us as we are gathered together in love and service to one another”.

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn, the Most Reverend Christopher Prowse, gave the address at the thanksgiving service. He spoke of the Queen’s inspired leadership as being a symbol of unity in a polarised world.

“Her constant visitation of the Commonwealth giving encouragement and helpful insight “, he said, “has really helped our global community to grow in peace over the years, always gracious and affirming in her speeches and exultations”.



The Homily

A symbol of unity in a polarised world

ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE

We have gathered here tonight to celebrate the Sapphire Jubilee and 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We thank God for her leadership and her steadfastness over so many years.

In the First Collect for today there is a prayer that seems particularly apt when applied to the qualities of Her Majesty. The Collect gives thanks to God “to our sovereign Queen Elizabeth”, because God has given her “gifts of faith in your promises, and hope for the future and love of her people”. This I think is the first quality of extraordinary leadership that Her Majesty has given us – living out faith, hope and love. In doing this she is living out the Baptism she has been given in service to her people.

Faith, hope and love are described as the three theological virtues. They are given as gifts from God. They dispose us to do the good. For those who live out these theological virtues of faith, hope and charity, God gives them knowledge of their origins, their motives and their objectives.

For such a long period of time, we can see that Her Majesty has used these Baptismal gifts of faith, hope and love in great service. For the virtuous way that she has lived out her Baptismal calling, we thank God. It is expressed in her tremendous continuous service over so many years.

In this evening’s booklet there is a seminal quote from

Queen Elizabeth on the occasion of Her Majesty’s Silver Jubilee, 6 June 1977. She said “When I was 21 I pledged my life to the service of our people and I asked for God’s help to make good that vow. Although that vow was made during my salad days, when I was green in judgement, I do not regret or retract a word of it”.

This quote is a great indicator of Her Majesty’s motives and the tremendous service that she has given to us all over these many years as expressions of faith, hope and love to God.

Another quality of her leadership, to my way of thinking, is her example of inspired leadership. In Catholic social principles regarding leadership, the human community is described as being held in a creative tension between exercising the principle of subsidiarity and the principle of the common good.

The principle of subsidiarity always is focused on respect of the human person as “the principle, subject, object, of every social organisation” (CCC. 1821). The State is never to be seen as a substitute for initiatives or responsibility of intermediary bodies, especially the family. The respect for the human person would not permit this.

Too much emphasis on this principle of subsidiarity, however, can lead to the fracturing of society. It needs a complementary principle to be held in creative tension. This principle is called the ‘principle of the common good’. Here all of us ought to promote matters pertaining

to the flourishing of society as a whole. The common good ought to promote in individuals and groups capacities to reach their full potential (CCC. 1924).

The common good is held together by respect of fundamental human rights, adequate prosperity for all, and the unending task of peacemaking. In contrast to the principle of subsidiarity, if the principle of the common good is stretched far too much, then it ends up becoming a robotic society. It becomes like a 'nanny state'. It may be efficient but it becomes ultimately heartless.

Incredibly, over 65 years, I believe quite intuitively, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has been able to bring these two principles together. It has been a sign of great and inspired leadership. Her constant visitation of the Commonwealth giving encouragement and helpful insight has really helped our global community to grow in peace over the years. She has always been gracious and affirming in her speeches and exultations. She has been an example of inspired leadership.

A third quality that comes to my mind on this important anniversary today of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is that she is a symbol of unity in a very polarised world. To a certain degree, I find Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II for so many has symbolically held

the Commonwealth together. With her many gifts she has been able to embrace so many disparate cultures and societies and to assure them that, ultimately, we must remain united as a global village in a very polarised world. Whether this has happened, in reality, others may comment. However, I am referring to her symbolic presence which is so unifying.

When I think of this demonstrated non-verbal symbolic unity, I recall a quote from the American essayist, Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882). He said 'What you are shouts so loudly I cannot hear what you say'.

We can apply this quote, I believe, quite easily to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. What she has been, and please God, will continue to be in the years ahead is a symbol of unity, an inspired example of international leadership, and a humble Christian woman living out the Baptism that she has been given in her infancy with great radiance and a sense of purpose.

Long may she reign

***Archbishop Christopher Prowse
Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn***



The Rector of St Paul's, the Venerable Dr Brian Douglas welcomed the congregation



A large congregation attended the service

Dedicated to the task

On Sundays after the conclusion of each 10 AM service at St Paul's, Ian Compston extinguishes the candles with the candle-snuffer. It is a duty he enjoys and has diligently performed for many years.

Ian has been a parishioner at St Paul's for over 30 years. He started attending St Paul's with his mother Elizabeth when he was 20 years old and was confirmed by Bishop Owen Dowling at that time.

Ian was born in Canberra. He now works five days a week at the Department of Defence, travelling by bus to Russell Offices where he takes a shuttle service to Campbell Park. He lives in a Hartley Lifecare home in Narrabundah.

He clearly loves the fine organ music played for the hymns, psalms and interludes during the Eucharist.

"Church-going," his mother tells me, "forms an important part of Ian's life. When given a choice of going on a picnic or going to church, Ian chooses to go to church."

Mary Pollard



Ian performing his church duties; with his mother, Elizabeth

Photos: Peter Hodge



The book trade

Behind the beautiful quilt made by Beth Lee and Eileen Sykes, which formed a centrepiece of a special fund raising raffle is a story of the dedicated commitment to what has become a special feature of St Paul's: the trading table.

The parish owes a great deal to those volunteers who work behind the scenes, preparing for and serving on the table, raising funds for good causes.

Trading Tables have operated since 2000 after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services. Until 2010 they were held once a month for eight months of the year. Now with a smaller group, they are held three times a year and are embraced by the parish as a community endeavour. Its most recent activity was a Book and DVD sale which raised \$406. Last year the trading table raised \$2,500.

The Trading Table seeks to provide financial



assistance towards programs for young people with needs, generally within our local community in Canberra. Funds presently are being raised for the Program for After School Studies (PASS), a program of the Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services (MARSS). The Program is a one-on-one coaching program for students from a non-English speaking background who have settled in Canberra.

Ecumenical service for the Queen



Archbishop Prowse gives the blessing



Organist Christopher Erskine and Director of Music, Matthew Stuckings, with music sung by two choirs

LETTERS OF HISTORY
Recreating a vanished world
ROBERT WILLSON

In this age of computers and emails some claim that the old fashioned art of letter writing has faded out. I do not believe this but there is a fascination in recreating a vanished world by reading good letters written in the age of the quill pen or the steel nib.

Lately I have spent happy hours in the Moore College Library in Sydney reading and copying some of the letters of Bishop Broughton. Broughton was Archdeacon of NSW from 1829 and Bishop of Australia from 1836, and finally Bishop of Sydney until his death in 1853. He was a prodigious letter writer.

In 1843 on a long tour of the Hunter Valley the Bishop reached Singleton where he spent some days with the local priest the Rev'd Francis Cameron whom the Bishop had recently ordained. He asked for a table and a quiet spot and devoted himself to letter writing. As well as letters to clergy where the Bishop planned a visit he wrote regularly to his wife Sally and to a dear friend in far-away Eton College, a school master named Edward Coleridge.

The Bishop's letters to his wife refer to his travels and where he was staying the night, who he had met, and when he expected to be home. With a delightful touch of formality the Bishop concluded each letter; 'i remain, my dear Sally, your loving and devoted husband, (signed) W.G.AUSTRALIA".

It is Broughton's letters to Edward Coleridge in Eton that particularly interest me. They give an invaluable picture of the life of early Sydney and NSW before the days of the Gold Rush. They deserve to be published in full and I understand

that such a project is under way.

In those years Broughton, his wife and daughters lived in a lovely home called Tusculum at Potts Point. Tusculum was built by a Scottish merchant named Alexander Brodie Sparke. Broughton leased the home for three hundred pounds a year.

Tusculum was named after the country villa of the ancient Roman orator and writer Cicero. The Letters of Cicero are still famous so the name was appropriate. Tusculum still stands, one of only five of the original seventeen villas on Darlinghurst Hill.

Broughton first met Coleridge on his visit to Britain in 1834-5, during which he was consecrated Bishop of Australia. They became firm friends and Coleridge, a cousin of the famous poet, became the Bishop's English agent. He was involved in the tractarian or High Church movement and his brother wrote the biography of John Keble.

Today we would call such leaders Anglo-Catholics. Newman led the Movement until he converted to the Roman Catholic communion in 1845. The Oxford Movement, as it was called, continued and grew in strength under the leadership of John Keble and Edward Pusey.

Pusey took the lead in publishing a Library of Church Fathers. Coleridge made sure that sets of these massive volumes were consigned to Broughton in Australia. Such early church texts form the intellectual and theological basis for the Oxford Movement.

In a letter in 1839 the Bishop records to Coleridge his personal delight at unpacking these volumes. He longed for the chance to have time to read and study them but his demanding schedule made this difficult.

Broughton was very involved in many public issues in the Colony. He gradually lost the struggle to maintain the position of the Church of England as the Established Church as it was in England. The Governor, Sir Richard Bourke, was realistic enough to see that with large numbers of Roman Catholics and other denominations arriving in NSW the exclusive claims of the Church of England were irrelevant.

In 1836 the Governor offered State Aid to all the main denominations and Broughton was forced to accept it. Broughton vigorously protested at the status given to Archbishop Polding but the British Government did not support him.

The Irish Education system adopted by the Governor was not to Broughton's liking. The Bishop refused to have anything to do with the Sydney University when it was founded in 1851. He wanted a purely Church of England foundation such as he knew from his Cambridge days.

Meanwhile the struggle to recruit more clergy and to build churches and Rectories for them went on. The Bishop asked Coleridge how he could fit a clergyman with 12 children into a four room residence? The Bishop complained to Coleridge that every trivial issue ended up with him, even the supply of fabric to make surplices for newly ordained priests. Broughton shared with Coleridge his grief

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RECREATING A VANISHING WORLD

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when two of his clergy went over to Rome.

As well as his public struggles in Sydney the Bishop went on long evangelistic tours, often on horseback, into the bush. All over the colony there are churches large and small, consecrated by him. These occasions he described to Coleridge. The Bishop made a total of six long missionary journeys to the southern part of the Colony and the area now forming our diocese.

His letters to Coleridge were all posted to Eton College. Sadly Coleridge's replies do not appear to have survived. He must have carefully saved Broughton's letters and eventually returned them to Australia after the death of the Bishop in England in 1853. Today the Broughton to Coleridge Correspondence opens an intriguing window into the Church and the Colony as it was in the first half of the 19th century.



*From the Archive:
St Paul's in its early
days, no parking
problems*

St David's maintains its presence

In her report to the annual meeting of Manuka parish, the Warden of St David's, Lorraine Litster, spoke of St David's Church, small as the congregation is, having continued as a worshipping and caring community in Red Hill, a spiritual focal point for St David's Close residential and Red Hill with its traditional Anglican Service.

St David's, Lorraine said, had benefited from the ministry of the Rev'd Canon John Campbell as the Warden of St. David's Close and as the priest for St. David's. His presence had been positive for the congregation and after a gradual decline in average attendance had grown. After declining from a peak of 60 attendees in 2007 to a low of 31 in 2014 average attendances have increased to 34. This is only a small increase but she felt that this was a significant result of having Father John ministering and caring for the congregation.

After his recent illness Fr John had felt no longer able to continue as the Warden of St. David's Close. He has elected to continue as Priest at St David's.

Lorraine wrote: "Our immediate community is St. David's Close; it is where a significant portion of our congregation lives. We have been building our association with the Close by inviting them to our social functions, with some members of the Close becoming regular attendees at services.

"We have also invited Red Hill residents to our functions as we would like to be seen as the Red Hill Church rather than as an accessory to the 'Close'.

St David's Close residents had



*The Rev'd Canon John
Campbell*

joined the congregation in equal numbers at social events organised by the church. "This outreach," she said, "we feel is most worthwhile. We will continue with these events as long as our funds allow it. Our Christmas service of carols and our St. David's Day services can continue as long as we do.

"I see our congregation as deeply Christian, one where we are all confirmed in our faith. We have attracted several people from the Red Hill public housing who attend occasionally and a family who come quite regularly and we welcome them to our community.

"We would dearly love to share our love of Christ with younger people; adult children and grandchildren of our congregation members do attend fairly regularly.

"I sense that our traditional Anglican Service may be attracting people. Perhaps the tide of 'modern' services in other churches might be turning, as people seek the spiritual comfort of a traditional Anglican service".



Second organ for St Paul's

The Wardens have approved the installation of a chamber organ in the sanctuary of St Paul's. The Trustees of the Arts Foundation agreed to fund the project following a very generous donation by Chris Erskine.

St Paul's obtained the handsome oak case organ at a bargain basement price from a church in Sydney who no longer wanted an organ for its services. Ian and Jennifer Brown, our organ builders, have been servicing the organ since 1981 and it is in excellent condition. The organ is English, made by Walker and Co, who have a royal warrant. It was made in 1961.

After being taken apart in Sydney and transported to Canberra, it took three days to meticulously re-assemble it.

The Rector, the Venerable Dr Brian Douglas said: "We are very lucky to have it at no cost to the parish". It can be used when the choir sings in the sanctuary and for small services in the sanctuary as well as for concerts. It was demonstrated for the first time at the 8AM service on Sunday, 2 April.

Ten seconds to go...

A recent initiative at St Paul's has been the one-minute presentations at each Sunday service on the range of activities undertaken in the Parish. These have come during the notices. Those responsible for coordinating individual activities have responded enthusiastically and with strict observance of the time limit at the lectern, a discipline in itself

The idea arose from a discussion between the Rector and Les Bohm. Les had observed that we had a number of new parishioners who were probably not aware of the activities of the parish and what he saw was a need for some of these activities to get more volunteers. It would also be an opportunity to help parishioners themselves to be better informed about parish activities by knowing the sources of information and how and when to access them.

Les observed that universities have their orientation weeks with displays of the different activities for students. He concluded that we could do well to provide our community with an overview

of parish activities. The Rector readily agreed with the general idea and proposed the 'One Minute' format, with the whole series underpinning his Lenten message of looking to doing more and contribute in different ways.

Les offered to organise the speakers to make presentations at each service, emphasising the need for presenters to keep to the time limit.

The reaction has been positive. As an example, the Verandah, one of our most significant outreach projects, providing hospitality and welfare, took the initiative to organise an introductory visit to the Verandah for volunteers to learn more about it and to help in the setting up, which included making sandwiches and preparing packages for a Friday opening.

Three people responded and they were a great help. As to the discipline of speaking for one minute, Les observed that Winston Churchill once said that if he was asked to talk for an hour, he needed only a minute to prepare; if he was to talk for a minute he needed an hour to prepare. The Verandah initiative showed what can be achieved in 60 seconds.

SERVICES

St Paul's

Sunday Services

7.00 am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (A Prayer Book for Australia)

10.00 am Holy Eucharist - Sung (A Prayer Book for Australia)

Choral Evensong

6.00pm Service of Choral Evensong on the third Sunday of the month, February to November

Prayers for Healing—

on the second Wednesday of the month immediately following the 10am Eucharist

Weekday Services

10 am Wednesday- Holy Eucharist

St David's

Sunday Service

8.30am - Holy Eucharist

Weekday Service

10 am Thursday- Holy Eucharist

ST PAUL'S PARISH COUNCIL

Members of St Paul's Parish Council are: The Venerable Dr Brian Douglas (presiding member), the Rev'd Alipate Tuinea, the Rev'd Kelvin Harris, the Rev'd Canon John Campbell; Rector's Warden: Ingrid Moses; People's Wardens: Bruce Glendinning and Robert Deane; Parish Councillors: Peter McDermott, Sandy White, Catherine Bohm and Peter Cumines (elected); and Mary Pollard and Tony Ralli (Rector's appointments).
Helen Raymond. (minute taker)

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OUR EDITORIAL PURPOSE

Communication is at the heart of our identity as a church.

As a news magazine *Community* is a tool of mission, a showcase of the Parish in all its activities. By sharing our experiences through reflective dialogue we renew that sense of journey to discover the mystery of the divine, connect with God, each other and the wider community, and nurture Biblical literacy and understanding.

The stories in *Community* reflect the unique position of St Paul's and St David's in the life of the Diocese and the nation. Its editorial content inspired by other contexts seeks to widen our Christian understanding, recognising the capacity of religion to nourish individual lives. It aims to enlighten in ways relevant to its readers and to be a window for others beyond the church to observe our participation as a vibrant Christian community.

As the former Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams, said: "We believe in a God who speaks and calls, seeking to communicate more fully and effectively".

Community encourages the engagement of readers and contributors to reflect the richness and diversity of the Parish and to honour and proclaim an expression of faith in our life together.

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