

**Why do we do the things we do?
Why do we think and say the things
we think and say?**

I intend to begin a one hour conversation around the answers to these two questions.

The style and content will be determined by the people who accept this invitation of mine to participate.

Together, we will decide the content and process of the mornings.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Fr Rick

Workshops will be held on 15 & 29 November in the hall at 9.30am.

A sign on sheet is near the door—please add your name if you are attending.

Archbishop's November Appeal

The Archbishop's November Appeal has been part of our history for more than a hundred years. The Appeal provides us with an opportunity to give thanks for the many blessings we have received in the past and to share with our brothers and sisters in Papua New Guinea in their time of need.

The November Appeal this year will assist communities in the Diocese of Popondota to rebuild and replace church properties which were destroyed in November last year by Cyclone Guba. While crops and food gardens are once again growing, much of the infrastructure remains in disrepair. Some entire villages need to be moved to safer locations. Churches, community schools and aid posts need rebuilding. The people have the skills to build, but need our help to buy building materials.

During November the ABM bags will be hanging on the two front pews.

Please save your coins in the purses you have used for the last couple of years and bring them along and empty (as often as you wish) into the two bags. If you don't have an ABM purse—there are a couple available on the notices table or alternatively take an ABM envelope and save your coins in it.



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The 'family church'... where you're a stranger only once.

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

26TH OCTOBER, 2008



**Our November Market Day
is next Saturday 1st November
7.00am—12 noon**

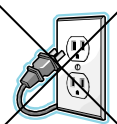


We need lots of donations for the Trash & Treasure—especially furniture, books, toys, bikes, kitchen utensils, exercise equipment — anything saleable.



(Not electrical appliances as these need an electrical inspection).

Leave items in the shed at the back of the hall.
If you need heavy items picked up, please phone the office and we will organize to collect them for you.



We need plants for the plant stall. Please bring them either on the day or leave them in the hall kitchen on the Friday.



Marg and the Sew 'n Sews would love **craft items** for their stall.



**There is a roster for you to add your name TODAY so that we can all share the load!!!
So far we only have a few names!!!**

*The Good Shepherd Family — our purpose is to grow together in Christ,
to worship and learn, to be the Good News.*

Parish Family News!

My apologies to those having birthdays last week. I had a “senior moment” and looked at November instead of October. Sorry.

Celebrating Birthdays

- 21st Alicia Otto
- 22nd Phyllis Wood
- 25th Karen Smith
- 26th John Finlay
- 28th Shirley Spargo
- 1st Michelle Wilde



Best wishes from all your parish family

Verse 2 of the birthday song

Happy Birthday to you
To Jesus be true
May God richly bless you
Happy Birthday to you.



COAT—Thank you to all who are supporting the Chinese Orphans Assistance Team—those who have pledged and those who give when they can—your donations make such a difference to these little children’s lives.



October donations are now due.

**JESUS UNBOUND
the story of Jesus of Nazareth
by Jonathan Holland**

Jesus and his experiences and encounters come to life on the pages of this beautifully written book, Jesus Unbound.

Bishop Jonathan makes use of paintings as a starting point to tell the story of Jesus’ life and times.

Available through the diocese for \$24.75. This book is suitable for individual enjoyment and can also be used in study groups (study guide available free on request). Copies of 5 or more books at \$20 each plus postage. Brochures are on the notices table.

LECTIONARIES FOR 2009

Will be ordered this week—to get your copy please add your name to the list near the door. Cost is \$9.95 each.

No Men’s Breaky on 1st November but Men you are asked to come along and unpack all the “Treasures” from Oliver’s Pavilion for the Market Day Sale and have a cuppa & toast together afterwards.

The next breakfast is on Saturday 6th December at 7.00am in the hall.

Australian Church Women are celebrating **WORLD COMMUNITY DAY** this Friday 31st October

with an Ecumenical Service at the Salvation Army Citadel at 10am. **Theme: “Great is your faithfulness”** Morning Tea and Fellowship will follow. See the notice board for full details.

DEDICATION OF PRAYER BOOKS

During the service today, Fr Rick will dedicate prayer books donated by Ian and Jan Lohse in loving memory of Mavis Dawson, Betty Grother, Gloria Amelia Lohse and in thanksgiving for the Baptism of their precious grandson Aaron Samuel Lohse.



Doesn’t the lawn look great!!

Feed the Cookie Jar notes or coins and help us pay to have the church grounds looking so good EVERY WEEK!



This week in the Parish:

Monday		Rector’s Day Off	
Tuesday	9.30am	Sewing Circle in the hall	
Wednesday	9.00am 10.00am	Midweek Service Pastoral Focus Visitor Mater Hospital	
Thursday	7.00am	Pastoral Focus Home Visits & Bedside Communion Mater Hospital	
Friday	7.00am 8.00am	Prayer Group meet in the church Bedside Communion Riverlea & Gracehaven	
Sunday	8.30am 4.00pm	Family Communion Service Laate Home Group—Bring & Share Tea—Contact Andrew & Louise 41542680	



Help us celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Good Shepherd Church with a

PARISH DINNER
Saturday 22nd November
at Renee’s Place—Enterprise Street

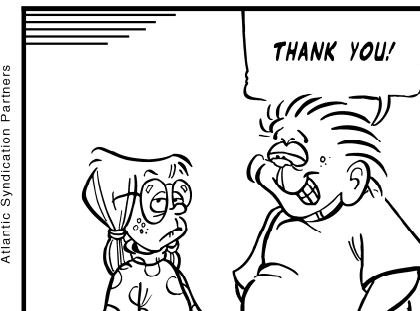


Cost is \$20 per head for a delicious Gourmet Buffet
BYO Alcoholic Drinks—Soft Drinks will be on sale for \$1 per can.

There is a sign up sheet at the door.
Bookings must be made by Wednesday 5th November.

Come along and enjoy a fun filled night of fellowship and celebrate with our parish family.

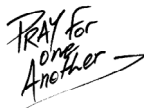
Memorabilia Display—If you have any old parish photos, could you please lend them to Carole Colville who will scan them and get them quickly back to you.
They may be left with Marilyn at the Parish Office.



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Our Parish Prayer

Father God, equip our Good Shepherd family with the resources we need.
Empower us all by your Holy Spirit.
Strengthen, protect and guide us – especially in our times of need.
Remove the obstacles that would block our endeavours to do your will.
Make us one, within the fold of your church.
We ask in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.



Pastoral Focus Prayer.

God our Father,
Grant us the skills to serve your church;
The ears to hear the calls for help;
The lips to speak your words of truth;
The eyes to see the needs to fill;
The feet to go to those in want;
The mind to meet the doubts we find;
The heart of love to share your peace;
The hands to work without reward;
We ask this only to do your will,
Through Jesus, our Saviour, Redeemer and Friend. Amen.



Prayer of Evangelism.

Heavenly Father, Set our hearts on fire to go into the world in your name.
Grant us wisdom, and the confidence to speak your word.
Give us the strength and the will to continue through all circumstances.
Help us take the Good News to all who will listen,
so they may know Jesus as their Lord and master.
May we glorify your name in all we say and do. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.



In your prayers, please remember:-

Our Parish Family prayer list this week (from our parish directory – to show we care)

Ray & Colleen Bakes; Barney & Charlotte Bryan; Fr. Edwin & Pam Edgerton; Jean Gruchy;
Ian & Jan Lohse; Nesta Rawlins; Florence Rees; Douglas Wale.

Absent Friends: Parish Family not with us today.

For those in need:

Prayers for Healing: "Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest"

Florence; Darrell, Alison; Ian A; Ruth; Ros; Judy; Mark; Sarah; Bev; Richard; Sherry!; . . .(and those known only to the Lord).

Special Needs:

Ann; Ben; Marie; Matthew; Kym; Emma; Linda, Neil & Brendan; Julia; Bonny & children; Janet, Dudley & Family; David; Joyce; (& those known only to the Lord) Pray for continued Pastoral Visits in hospitals and nursing homes & that new legislations regarding privacy will not prevent these visits.

Thanksgiving for prayer answered: Thanksgiving for answered prayer for healing & blessings in the lives of Chris & Bon Scott.

Our School Chaplains: Fr. Andrew, Paula, Kelli, Steven, Adrian, Noel, Craig, Teresa & Brenda

Our Link Missionaries with CMS – Shirley Gent in Pakistan and the Hayes Family – Bruce, Libby and their children Daniel, Julia, Stephanie & Ruth in Nepal **and BCA Missionaries** - the Keith Family—Rev'd Mike, Chantalle and baby Rachell in Lightning Ridge.

Years Mind – we remember- (i.e. the anniversary of the death of a loved one):-

Isabel Gorlick; Phyllis Donney; Denise Donald; Jim Bartholomew;

Thanksgiving for the Life of: Norman James Lyons; Linda June Bryant;

Today's Worship—Pentecost 24

Sentence: *You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.*
Matthew 22:37-40

Readings Today:

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Psalm: 90:1-6, 13-17 page 318
New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46

Readings next Sunday

Old Testament: Joshua 3:7-17
Psalm: 107: 1-7, 33-37 page 337
New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 3:5-13
Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

Master, what is the greatest commandment in the law?

Jesus said to him, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart."

Love walks on pleasant ways,
on paths of peace.

Happy is the person who lives by love.
Love is pure, peaceful, kindly, full of compassion and fruitful in good deeds.

YOUR OFFERTORY TRUST

Giving is never to be by coercion, compulsion or manipulation. Let each one do just as he has purposed in his heart; not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
(2 Corinthians 9:7)

Next Sunday 2nd November is All Saints & All Souls

If you would like to have a loved one remembered during the intercessions please PRINT their name on the list on the small table near the COAT Cot.

Next Sunday the service is at 8.30am

B.C.A. September Mission Boxes. Many thanks for donations of over \$180.00. Good one! Alan Berlin

Thanks very much to our benefactor for power saving internal sidelights—they are brilliant!!!