



## Our November Market Day is Saturday 7th November



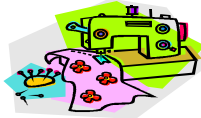
**Attention all “green-fingers”.** We hope you have been potting up plants. John & Rosamunde need lots of plants for the plant stall.



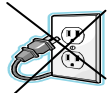
**If you have “brown fingers”** then perhaps you could bake a cake, biscuits, slices, muffins etc., for the cake stall.



**Are you “crafty”?** Marg would really appreciate donations of craft items for the Sew 'n Sews Craft Stall.



**Are you “spring-cleaning”?** We would appreciate donations for the Trash & Treasure — books, furniture, toys, bikes, kitchen utensils, anything saleable (not electrical appliances as these need an electrical inspection).



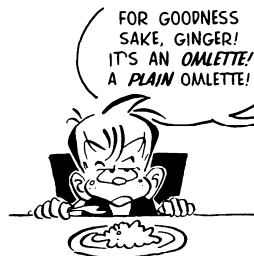
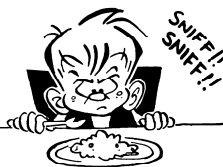
Please leave items in “Oliver’s Pavilion” (the shed at the back of the hall).

**There is a List for you to add your name so we can all share the fun!!!**

### Attention Men!!!!

There is no “Breaky” on Saturday 7th November. Instead, Men are asked to come along and help unpack the “treasures” from Oliver’s Pavilion and set up the tables for the November Market Day.

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WHY IS ABBREVIATION SUCH A LONG WORD?



# Good Shepherd Church

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

**ALL SAINTS / MINISTRY SUNDAY — 1st November, 2009**

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



### Archbishop's November Appeal

We are continuing to use the ABM purses again this year. Save your spare coins (or notes) during November—bring your purse back and empty (as often as you wish) into the ABM bags which are hanging on the two front pews.

**The Archbishop's November Appeal** comes as the church year draws to a close. It provides a vehicle whereby we can give practical acknowledgement of the bounteous blessings we have received through God's providence over the last twelve months.

The Appeal this year focuses on a project to benefit the Episcopal Diocese of the Southern Philippines. Local churches in the diocese are in the mountains of Mindanao in very remote and inaccessible locations. The Church Farthest Out (CFO) Project is aimed at equipping priests, catechists, evangelists and lay leaders with motorcycles to enable them to reach these communities to administer the sacraments, undertake pastoral visitations, evangelise and teach. At present church workers hire motorcycles. The cost of hiring these vehicles is expensive.

We have been giving thanks to God, during this sesquicentenary year, for all the blessings we have received. It is fitting that we reach out to assist ministry to isolated communities in another part of the Anglican Communion. Our generosity will make possible better sacramental, evangelistic, educational and pastoral care of people in the Southern Phillipines.

Please give generously, **Phillip "Brisbane"**

## NATURAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

**Parish Council** are considering introducing the **Natural Church Development** procedure for evaluating our parish life and improving its quality.

There is a session at Christ Church on Sunday 8th November at 11.00am to explain it all to everyone who is interested in seeing our church improve and grow.

The part time Diocesan Consultant for NCE will be present to explain it all and answer questions.

Can you set aside about 1 1/2 hours to join our Parish Council for this important session? It could have enormous benefits for us if we decide to go this way but can only work if the majority of our people are enthusiastic about it.

### This week in the Parish:

Monday	9.00am	Overview of Bible Study Group
Tuesday	9.00am	Sewing Circle in hall—Contact Marg Tuffield 41556616
Wednesday	9.00am	Mid-week Eucharish
	10.00am	Pastoral Focus Visitor Mater Hospital
Thursday	7.00am	Bedside Communion Mater Hospital
	7.00pm	Overview of the Bible Study Group
Friday	7.00am	Prayer Group meet in the church
Saturday	6.30am-noon	November Market Day with Trash 'n Treasure
Sunday	7.00am	Eucharist
	9.30am	Family Communion Service & Sunday School



### **Photo Prints Available**

#### **Good Shepherd 30th Anniversary Service**

Carole Colville is offering to make prints of the photos she took at our 30th Anniversary Service as a memento of this Good Shepherd Parish milestone.

**Prints will be free. Instead, she asks you to make a donation to ABM in the box marked 30th Anniversary Prints Donation.**

View the Contact Sheets on the table and select the prints you want—maximum of six per person.

Place your order by filling in your name, the thumbnail picture number and the number of copies on the accompanying sheet.

### **The “cookie jar” is sad.**

It didn't get sufficient “food” last week. (only \$35.20)



**Please feed it notes or coins so that we can cover the cost of cleaning the church & mowing the lawns.**

### **An Overview of the Bible**

If you would like to join others in Mike's study group meeting

**Mondays at 9am**  
or

**Thursdays at 7pm.**

**Come & join in this week in the Rectory.**



### **PARISH FAMILY NEWS!**

#### **Celebrating Birthdays**

1st Michelle Wilde  
3rd Erin Lawrence  
Liam Smith



*Best wishes to you all from your Parish Family*

### **Bush Ministry Fund**

**(Stopping our churches declining in rural Queensland)**

Special thanks to all who pledged their \$1 per week to the Bush Ministry Fund. Thank you also to those who donate through the Money Boxes—it is greatly appreciated!

Your half yearly donation is now due. Please return your payment or mission box to Cheryl Wright our BMF co-ordinator or leave with Marilyn at the parish office.

If you have already paid your 12 month pledge in advance, we once again thank you for your commitment to BMF.

*We all might enjoy the day more if it started later.*



### **Chinese Orphans Assistance Team (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.

**November donations are now due.**

*A big thank you to all who supported our Trivia Night. Although numbers were down on last year, those who were able to attend thoroughly enjoyed themselves.*

*Bless you all.*



### **ABM Reflections on Today's Readings**



Today we celebrate All Saints' Day. We remember those who, as the hymn puts it, confessed before the world that the name of Jesus is forever blessed. The reading reminds us how compassionate God is. Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life, he who believes in me shall not die but have eternal life'. The blood of the saints is the seed of the Church. Because there is life eternal in Jesus, the saints gave their lives through martyrdom and through prayer to glorify God. 'We must keep our roots deep in him and build our lives on him for others to follow. (Colossians 2:7)

- Give thanks to God and pray that we too may follow in the footsteps of Jesus and the saints, having compassion for those who suffer for their faith in God
- Pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea and its' Institutions.

### Prayer for a new Rector

Bountiful God,  
Give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word  
and minister your sacraments;  
an encourager who will equip your people for ministry  
and enable us to fulfil our calling.  
Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience,  
and to us give warm and generous hearts,  
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.



### 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.



### 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)

Estelle Bawden; June Cannon; Ron & Margaret Downs; Darrell & Ann Hoffmann;  
Warren & Nancy McLucas; Leonard, Patricia, Alicia, Kirsty & Corey Otto; Beverley Steemson;  
Phyllis Wood.

*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"

Iris; Barbara; Fay; Leone, Barney; Tracey; Portia; Sherryl; Alan S; Glenis; Gillian; Alan B; Cherine;  
Thomas; Cheryl; Toni; Richard; Bev; ...*(and those known only to the Lord).*



### Special Needs:

Chris; David; Emma; Ron & Shirley; Bonny and Children; Kate & Justin; Anna; Matthew; (& those known only to the Lord)

### Children Preparing for Admission to Holy Communion:

Courtney & Jayden Wedemeyer & Brayden Zunker.

Our School Chaplains: Fr. Andrew, Deltry, Helen, Annette, Teresa, Steven, Paula, Kelli, Adrian,  
Brenda, Grant, Craig, Marion, Lisa, Ian, Ruth & District Co-ordinator John Van der Heijde

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 Rachell in Lightning Ridge.

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

Betty Jackson; Freda Wood; George McMichael; Kevin Adams;

### Thanksgiving for the Life of:

## **ALL SAINTS / MINISTRY SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Sentence:** And a great multitude, from every nation and tribe and people and language, cried with a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'"

Matthew 5:10

### Today's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9  
Psalm: 24 page 244  
Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6a  
Gospel: John 11:32-44

### Next Sunday's Readings

First Reading: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17  
Psalm: 127 page 362  
Second Reading: Hebrews 9:23-28  
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

The glorious band of apostles,  
the noble company of prophets,  
the white-robed army who shed  
their blood for Christ and all the  
saints in heaven together proclaim:  
We praise you, Holy Trinity,  
one God.

## **YOUR OFFERTORY TRUST**

In Australia today we have to ask the question, "How is it possible that so many parishes have financial difficulties in the richest nation in the world at a time when it has such a high per capital income?"

The answer is very simple: Far too many income-receiving parishioners fail to make weekly offertory gifts in thanks to God

## **PRAYER FOR RAIN**

God our heavenly Father through your Son you promised  
to those seeking first your kingdom and your righteousness  
all things necessary for bodily welfare:  
send us, we pray, in this time of need, rain to water the earth,  
that we may receive its produce to strengthen and sustain us  
and always praise you for your bounty;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

