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## COMBINED SERVICE: SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER, 8.30am

Celebrating the Centenary of the laying of the Foundation Stone for our current church building.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICE TIMES

24th December, 6.00pm	Family Christmas Service
24th December, 11.30pm	Midnight Mass (Carols from 11pm)
25th December, 8.00am	Christmas Day Celebration

# Greetings from Marian

Dear friends,

As I write this, we are approaching the Centenary of the Laying of the Foundation stone for the present St Augustine's Church.

In 1918 (coinciding with the arrival of a new Rector) it was decided that the then wooden church positioned in front of the now Rectory was too small and that a new church should be built as a thank offering for Victory in the War.

There will be a number of opportunities to mark the Centenary and we hope that you will attend as many as possible. Celebrations begin with a joint service on 15th December this year, followed on 22nd February by a party to mark the centenary and the 25th anniversary of my ordination as priest (which also falls next year). Save the date!

Here is a calendar of events as they currently stand.

### 2020 CENTENARY EVENTS

22-Feb	Music on the Green and the Celebration of Marian's 25th year of her Ordination
3-May	Orchestra Corda Spiritus
9-May	Saturday Jumble Sale
20-Jun	Cocktail Party
29-Aug	Music on the Green
5-Sep	Saturday Jumble Sale
12-Sep	Wedding Dress Up to celebrate each year of the Centenary
18-Oct	Joint Service
25-Oct	Orchestra Corda Spiritus
27-Nov	Christmas Carols



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### */ Greetings from Marian (cont'd)*

A centenary is a good time to pause and reflect. The vision of our forebears has blessed us with a beautiful church with extensive grounds, hall and rectory. All, however, require constant maintenance and upgrading. It is important that we don't take our rich heritage for granted, but that we consider best how to build on their achievements.



St Augustine's  
1920-2020

### **A History of St Augustine's**

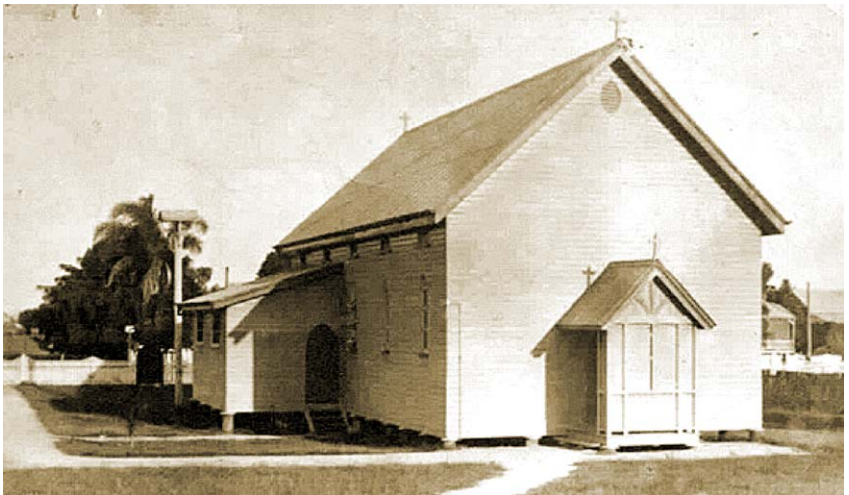
The original church was opened and dedicated on 7th May 1896. It was named St Augustine's after the Theological College of St Augustine's in Canterbury where the then Rector of St Andrew's Lutwyche had trained for the ministry. At that time, the Parish of Lutwyche extended from the river to Mount Glorious.

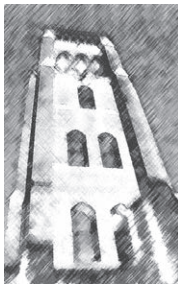
The Rector, Mr Edward Caskell Osborn, has a double connection with St Augustine's. Mr Osborn's son John Edward Norman (known as Norman) was St Augustine's resident Curate. Norman's daughter, the late Joan Underwood, was a parishioner for many years and his granddaughter and great-granddaughters remain members of the Parish.

We are delighted that Noel Henriksen has written a comprehensive history of St Augustine's and the place of our church in the wider history of Brisbane, and specifically the Anglican Church in Brisbane. It is hoped that the book will be ready for sale by mid-2020. Of course, we are still interested in anecdotal stories about the early days of the Parish to fill out the more formal history.

### **Moving house**

Moving out of the Rectory was a practical decision. Michael has retired and we have extended our small home in Chapel Hill. It made sense that we should move in together. A number of people have asked me about commuting. I don't mind the commute. It gives me time for reflection – on the day to come or the day that's been.





### */ Greetings from Marian (cont'd)*

It also means that I am now more intentional – especially about coming to church. Instead of just popping into the church I feel like I am coming to work. This is a small but noticeable difference in attitude. I am a person who likes living next to the church but, as Daniel explains, our leaving the house means that while it is empty it can be brought up to Diocesan standard.

*Please note, I am not retiring – at least not for a while!*

### **Sign**

There has been some controversy regarding the purchase and installation of a new sign for the Racecourse Road side of the grounds. To set the record straight, earlier this year we were invited to apply for a Community Engagement Grant. While there are many ways in which we engage with the local community there were none that required an injection of cash.

The current sign on the other hand is awkward to update and greatly in need of repair. It seemed that a good use of any grant would be a new LED sign that could easily advertise the very many activities in which the Parish is engaged. We have received notification that our application has been accepted, but no work will commence until the money has been received.

Events and activities that are currently advertised tend to be well-supported and it is our hope that a more easily-managed sign will make the local community aware of activities such as the Conversation Class, Meditation, Jumble and so on.

Yours in Christ

*Marian*

## **REPORT ON RECTORY SCOPE OF WORKS**

~ Daniel Aspinall

We are blessed at St Augustine's with a large rectory for the resident clergy and family's use.

In recent years, though, and owing to a number of factors, the rectory has fallen below the standard the Parish sets itself.

Now that Marian has moved to her family residence in Chapel Hill, the time is right to bring the rectory up to the standard required by the Parish Council and the Diocesan Canons.

Readers might be aware that the Diocese employs a small team of people focused on ensuring property matters are dealt with efficiently and effectively.

Our Parish Council has nominated two people – Darryl Barber and Frances Wellington-Hacker – to work in conjunction with that team to manage all the work on the rectory. Together, these people comprise the Project Control Group.

So far, a detailed scope of work has been developed with all of the requirements in mind and five contractors have been invited to tender.

One of the benefits of working with the Diocesan office on this sort of project is their record with a number of contractors – all of which have experience with church-based projects and which understand some of the restrictions that apply to church bodies might not apply to private situations.

At this stage, it is anticipated that work will take place in the first quarter of 2020.

Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir.  
They need all the help they can get.



# WHO KNEW? ... wonders Aaron Liang

I wore my Brisbane Cycling Club Race Team t-shirt to Church this morning. Leon Papi, having seen my shirt told me his great-grandmother was the Treasurer of the Brisbane Ladies Club back in 1897.



I found this article from The Brisbane Courier from Monday 20th September 1897. Ladies have been riding bikes together in Brisbane for a very long time; the Summer uniforms have changed a fair bit! On this ride to Nudgee waterholes, the Men's Club invited the two Ladies Clubs for a delightful afternoon ride and afternoon tea. I just love this!

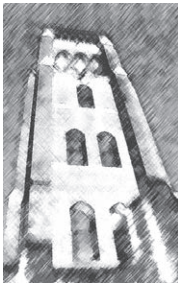
## WOMAN'S WORLD. SOCIAL GOSSIP.

A very delightful bicycle run and picnic took place on Saturday afternoon. The Brisbane Bicycle Club invited the members of the two ladies' clubs to join them in a run to Nudgee Waterholes. About twenty members of the Brisbane Ladies' Club and a dozen of the Queensland Ladies' Club accepted the invitation. About 2.30 p.m. the members and friends assembled at the Treasury buildings, George-street. The procession was headed by Mr. Charles M'Donald, M.L.A., with Mrs. M'Donald, captain of the Brisbane Ladies' Cycling Club. They proceeded

to the Hamilton, where a pause was made to witness the opening of the yachting season, after which, having been joined by some members of the Queensland Cycling Club, a run was made to Nudgee, where afternoon tea and other refreshments were provided by the hosts, and after a very pleasant afternoon the return journey to town was made. Both ladies' clubs wore their summer uniform. The Brisbane Ladies' Cycling Club have chosen white and gray linen, with sailor hats and red, white, and blue ribbons; and the Queensland Ladies' Bicycling Club, brown holland

skirts, white blouses, and red, yellow, and black bands on their sailor hats. Amongst the ladies, taking part in the first-named club were – Mrs. Papi (secretary), Mrs. Bennet (treasurer). Mesdames Chapman, Turley, Preston, Watts, and Rosenberg, Misses M'Call, Cumming, Papi, Payne, Copeland, Offer, Scanlon, Adams, and Rose. The members of the Queensland Club included-Miss Burns (captain), Miss Hunter (secretary), Mrs. Hall (treasurer), Mrs. W. D. Symi (vice-president), Mrs. Manning, and the Misses Dath, Hunter, Nicholson, Thomson, and Ahern.





## IN MEMORY OF KEN STAINES: HAMILTON LIBRARY RAMP

In 1995, Ken Staines was motivated to bring to the attention of the relevant authorities the difficulties of access to the local library for those hampered by mobility issues. He had kindly carried a baby up the steps for a grateful mother and found for himself how difficult it could be to juggle all the necessary paraphernalia.

In subsequent chats to library staff he heard how they had to take books up and down the stairs for those in wheelchairs. At the time, there were quite a few disabled people living in a unit block in Norman Street who frequently visited the library. It was apparent that a ramp would be of great assistance to them as well as others with mobility issues, elderly folk, mothers with strollers and pregnant women.

Ken's persistence paid off and in December 1995 the installation of a ramp was completed. On 6th April 2018 a plaque commemorating Ken's involvement was unveiled by his brother, Reg. A number of parishioners were very happy to be able to celebrate the occasion with Reg and the library staff.

This year the Hamilton Town Council Library marks 70 years of service to the community.

### ... and a note from Marian

On 6th April 2018, some of us were privileged to attend the unveiling of a plaque at the library in honour of Ken Staines. Ken, a former editor of the Parish magazine and long-time parishioner, was instrumental in having a ramp installed at the Hamilton Library. The story goes that Ken saw a young mother struggling to get a pram up the library steps and determined to make it easier for mothers and those in wheelchairs to access the library.

It was thanks to Ken's commitment to this ideal that the ramp was built. It is fitting that his community spirit has been honoured as part of the Library's Centenary celebrations.

This all abilities ramp is  
dedicated to the memory  
of local resident  
Ken (Kenneth Frederick) Staines  
who was instrumental in  
making it happen.

This plaque unveiled  
by Ken's brother Reg on  
6th April 2018.



**WE ARE NOT THE ONLY ONES MARKING A CENTENARY –**  
**THE HAMILTON TOWN HALL, a single-storey brick building, with council chambers and public hall, was erected in 1920 for the Hamilton Town Council. It was designed by Montague Talbot Stanley, and is one eight remaining town halls from the 20 that were built prior to the formation of Greater Brisbane in 1925.**



When Moreton Bay was opened for free settlement in 1842, local government was controlled from Sydney, using British Imperial Government policy. The Municipality of Brisbane was not proclaimed until 1859, and the first council was elected in the same year. As settlements sprang up around Brisbane a desire for separate municipality status developed, and in 1879 the Divisional Boards Act provided for a number of new autonomous authorities adjacent to Brisbane. By 1891, 21 local authorities had been created in the Brisbane metropolitan area under this legislation. These consisted of the City of Brisbane as well as a municipality, shires, divisions, and one borough.

In 1890, the Hamilton Division separated from Toombul Division, although the Hamilton Divisional Board initially conducted its business from the Toombul Divisional Board Offices. Andrew Petrie was appointed the first chairman. The board became a Town Council in 1904 and the first mayor was John Brett Charlton. In 1917 the council purchased 64 perches (approximately 1,600m<sup>2</sup>) of land in Racecourse Road with the intention of building council chambers and a public hall. In 1919, plans and specifications for the new building were received from Montague Stanley, son of Francis Drummond Greville Stanley, the well-known Queensland Colonial Architect.

At a special meeting, amendments were made, including a wider front door and the use of Australian-manufactured materials.

A tender from Messrs McArthur & Walker for \$6,894 was accepted and the current mayor Alderman George Rees laid the foundation stone on 26th September 1919. Extra walling and iron railing with a double gate along Racecourse Road was added to the plan and the building was completed in 1920 for a cost of £8,873.

The town hall accommodated council officers as well as providing council chambers and a public hall. There were a kitchen and a strong room, but it is not known if the supper room was constructed at this time. An honour board for local residents who had contributed to World War I was erected in the council offices.

With rapid population increases, small local governments found it ever more difficult to fund and administer their responsibilities effectively and economically. The development of services such as roads, transport, water supply and sewerage could only be efficiently managed by an overarching authority. A move to amalgamate local authorities began in 1902 when the Booroodabin Division was absorbed into the City of Brisbane. The idea of amalgamation was promoted throughout the 1900s and culminated in the City of Brisbane Act of 1924, when Hamilton was one of the towns and shires joined to form the Brisbane City Council. The first Greater Brisbane Council was elected on 21st February 1925 and the Hamilton Town Council was disbanded.

The Hamilton Town Hall then became the property of Brisbane City Council and since then has had various uses.



During 1925/1926 it is recorded as a council depot in the Post Office directories. From 1927 it was known as the School of Arts and provided a venue for social events. The building was headquarters for the Australian Army Survey Corps during World War Two.

After the war, major alterations were made to the council chambers to create the Hamilton Municipal Library. The hall continued to be used for various social activities. Additions were made to the northern end of the hall in 1973 to accommodate the mobile library service. Further changes in 1987 included alterations to the dressing room and a covered walkway between the Supper Room and the hall.

The former town hall still houses the City Council's Hamilton library and it is used by an amateur theatrical group and by other local groups for meetings and social activities. Through its use as a venue for functions and gatherings and as a local library, the building has long associations with the cultural and social life of the area

Source: Wikipedia

**From the Editor:** Should you be wandering around the Library/Hall area on Thursday mornings you may hear the sounds of beautiful music punctuated by gales of laughter and occasional groans of frustration. Fear not, it is only the Silver Swans enjoying their ballet exercise class with Marilyn Culpitt, Ascot School of Dance. A number of our female parishioners and friends are proving that age does not hinder their ability to have a good time while they exercise! We would have a picture here but do not wish to be lynched!





# FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TEACHER

~ Felicity Liang recalls

When asked about how my journey into Christian Education started, I would have to say at 12 years-old when I was first given my own Sunday School class of three- and four-year-old children to teach. It was here that I discovered the joys and challenges of sharing the Gospel with children. Planning lessons and engaging activities that allow young children to be able to learn more about Jesus and the Bible.

When choosing my professional career path at the end of High School I knew I wanted to be able to teach children and chose to study a Bachelor of Early Childhood/Primary Education. I then went into mainstream teaching having the opportunity to work with students in a variety of settings from early intervention through to business college (straight out of university). I continued to teach in the State system until my first daughter, Sophie, was born; I then took time off paid work and was still on leave when our second daughter, Phoebe, was born. During this time, I ran the Sunday School at our local church and trained many young people in the path of children's ministry.

When the girls were four and two, I began to volunteer at my local Scripture Union Club at School. I loved the energetic and fun way the Gospel was delivered and the opportunity to share God's word in a State school setting was a treasure. When the ACT co-ordinator for Primary School Ministry retired, I was asked to take over the role, which I did and over the course of the next few years the SUPA club program expanded dramatically through the ACT schools.

Some of the churches involved in running the programs did not have any Sunday Schools at their churches, however these grandparents shared the good news of Jesus with children who otherwise might never hear the story of Jesus.

When my third daughter, Ella, was born, I continued to work for SU ACT, but I felt drawn back into mainstream teaching and began teaching again in 2004. I continued to work in the State system until we moved to the Blue Mountains in 2007. It was then I took a job at Wycliffe Christian School and saw the beauty of being able to talk to children about Jesus in a school setting. After a number of years there I moved to Mamre Anglican School and was blessed to be mentored by some amazing Christian teachers.

In 2014 our family moved to Brisbane, I took a year off teaching and on return was fortunate enough to be offered a contract at Clayfield College. This was to be a highly emotional time with the death of a student and chronic illness of a parent in the six months I was there.

At the end of the contract I was offered the role of Acting Associate Chaplain. This was a delightful time in which God allowed me to connect with students in the secondary school, sharing the Gospel message and my faith experiences. I then moved into teaching Christian Education across the primary school and to a number of classes in the secondary school, as well as being the Pastoral Care teacher for a Year 6 class.

It is an extreme privilege to be able to serve God in this way and a delight to hear the young students that I teach excitedly tell me about their "answer to prayer"!

## MEMORIES OF THINGS PAST

For the past three years, Gwen Mullins has been diligently gathering documents and recalling her memories of Parish life. We thank Gwen for her efforts and for those who responded to our call-out in the last Parish Pulse for photos or memories that might aid us in recording our history for posterity.







# ST AUGUSTINE'S EARLY SCHOOL

Lyndal Worthington-Wilmer recalls with fondness early years attending what we would now know as pre-school classes but with a very different curriculum! French was taught by Madam Rochart, Speech & Drama by Rhoda Felgate, and Dancing by Phyllis Danaher. Classes were held in the Hamilton Town Hall at the cost of 2 Guineas per term. The girls' uniform consisted of a white blouse and sky-blue tunic.

What beautiful four-year-olds they were – Valerie Biggs, Lyndal Murphy, Margaret Michie and June Campbell.

Their formal education continued when they went into Grade 1 at Ascot State School. There was another early school in Upper Lancaster Road called Chelmsford.

Are there any men who were pupils and can remember their impressions? We'd love to hear from you.



## Things you would never know were it not for Hollywood ...

**The Eiffel Tower** can be seen from any window of any building in Paris.

**Should you wish** to pass yourself off as a German officer, it is not necessary to speak the language: a German accent will do.

**You're likely to survive** any battle in any war unless you make the mistake of showing someone a picture of your sweetheart back home.

**The ventilation system** of a building is a perfect hiding place. No one will think of looking for you in there.

**All grocery shopping bags** contain at least one stick of French bread.

**All beds** have special L-shaped top sheets that reach up to armpit level on a woman but only waist level on the man lying beside her.

**If you decide** to start dancing in the street, everyone you bump into will know all the steps.



# SYNOD • Daniel Aspinall

Old hands of the Parish's annual general meeting will be aware that Synod's Representatives are elected only every three years – not every year like the wardens, nominators and parish councillors. Those elected represent the parish at a weekend-long meeting of the Diocesan Synod each year in the three, before they need to be re-elected.

The first session of the synod is often a little slower-paced as the people there for the first time get to know the rules of racing. By the third session, people all start to recognise one another and can often be overheard starting sentences with “Remember last year when...”

2019 was the third session of the latest synod and the Archbishop and Diocesan Council decided to propose a change to the normal goings-on.

## Open Space

In his traditional presidential address to begin the synod, the Archbishop spoke to some of the challenges which face a group such as a diocesan synod. He began with the words “Some people dread coming to Synod” (editor's note: not the reps from Hamilton). “Some find it boring or just plain irrelevant to what they see as the real work of the kingdom of God. Others find the conflict and politicking destructive. Still others ask how a body the size of our diocesan synod can hope to achieve anything”.

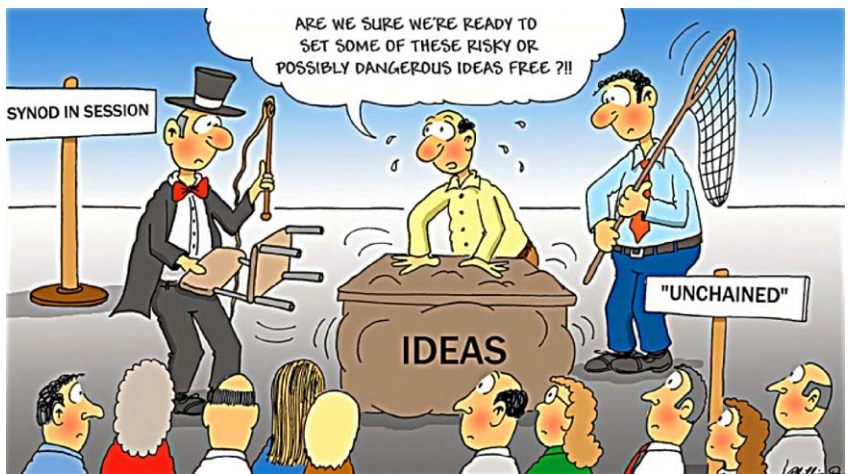
If most members of synod were honest, they would have had some of those thoughts at some stage. In amongst all those concerns, readers will understand how incredibly confronting it can be to stand in front of 400-odd people and speak to deeply held feelings and beliefs. “On the other hand,” noted the Archbishop, “some are very generous in sharing their views on virtually every topic discussed, if you know what I mean.”

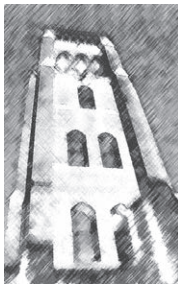
In so many cases, though, fewer than the full company of voices are heard.

So, with a view to increase the quality of discussions had, the synod moved into what is called an “Open Space” discussion. Members of the group would nominate a topic or ask a question they wanted to discuss and stick it – writ large – on a bulletin board with a timeslot and room number. You would then identify when and where the conversations you were interested in were taking place and go along to them.

Basically, the only instruction we were given was to consider the question What is God calling us to be and do, at this time? And so that question was asked.

A few seconds of stillness passed. A couple of looks across the room to friends.





Someone got up and asked the first question. And then dozens of people launched to the middle of the room with questions and topics ranging from Support for victims of crime and prison staff. Are young adults difficult to engage in faith? and How could we think creatively about chaplaincy in our diocese? all the way to Can the post-modern (and subsequent) ways of thinking accommodate Christian doctrine? and Maintaining our Catholic beliefs in a post-truth world.

The energy in the whole place was tangible. In among the Archbishop's comments about the challenges of synod, he also said, "I have experienced some profoundly positive moments in synods. There have been moments when courageous people naming the truth have helped the church to face its responsibilities. There have been moments when synods have caught new visions and committed themselves to step out in faith. There have been moments of forgiveness and grace that have been reconciling and healing and touched people deeply."

There was a sense that we were embarking on something just that positive.

And so began six hours of people criss-crossing the Churchie campus, going from one discussion to another (editor's note: much like Churchie's students; with varying degrees of punctuality?). Everyone engaged much more fully than in many "normal" sessions of synod.

After the conversations conclude, the group regathers in the starting point and in much the same way the questions and topics are posited, action plans coming out of the discussions are put in place. The participants came up with actions to take and people who wanted to support them signed up, swapped phone numbers and email addresses and now have carriage of the actions.

Since the meeting, the diocesan office has published a book of Open Space proceedings. It numbers 134 pages – which should give you an idea of how enthused people were by the whole session.

Members of synod have also completed a survey – the overwhelming responses were a) that Open Space was a runaway success and b) that it should be considered for one out of three sessions of synods going forwards.

## Motions

In an average synod session, there are usually a few motions which are more formalities than decision-making opportunities; things like reports from the diocesan commissions, for example. It was thought that including these as discussion points in the Open Space session might be more appropriate.

As a result, the list of official motions was shorter than in previous years.

An interesting tidbit on this year's motions – though some were amended from their original wording, every single one was carried!

The full text of each of the motions as carried is available on the Synod19 website - <https://anglican-churchsq.org.au/news-publications/synod/synod-2019/>

Without providing a full set of minutes (also available on the website), the motions were:

- **Being together**  
Acknowledges a diocesan document discussing behavioural expectations for synod members and others during discussions.
- **Domestic and family violence**  
Recognises the harm brought to people by family and domestic violence and commends the work of the General Synod Family Violence Working Group.
- **Affirming Anglican Unity in Diversity**  
Affirms the diocese's view that people subscribing to all theologies within Anglican Tradition are welcome and none are greater or less than any other.  
Calls on all Anglicans across the world to recommit themselves to dialogue.
- **Affirming Anglican schools' support of gender diverse students**  
Affirms that Anglican schools are to be places where all people, including those who are transgender and gender diverse are welcomed, loved and supported.



- **Integration of schools**  
Requests the Archbishop convenes a working group to consider how schools and parishes can better complement the ministry done by one another.
- **Nicene Creed**  
Establishes a committee to investigate the possible cessation of saying the filioque clause in the Nicene Creed in worship within the diocese.
- **Conversion therapy**  
Acknowledges the pain this kind of “therapy” has caused in people’s lives and calls on the Australian government to ban the practice and provide stricter guidelines for counsellors in this area.
- **Same-sex marriage**  
Encourages all members of the church to engage with a book of essays curated and written by the General Synod Doctrine Commission on the topic of same-sex marriage.



## Canons

Canons are the church’s laws – they govern everything from how a parish council is formed to how an Archbishop is elected, what authority each person has and even how many bedrooms a rectory must have.

They are legal documents within the church and as a result can be difficult for those not legally-minded to keep up with.

This year, only two canons were discussed, and both were relatively straightforward.

The first removed the former canon concerning diocesan insurance given that it had been superseded by the new Diocesan Governance Canon and no longer had any effect.

The second was titled Participation by Persons of Concern in Parishes Canon. Among the outcomes of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, this canon provides authority to direct a person of concern not to participate in parish activities.

Such directions are incredibly rare and involve the Churchwardens, rector and Archbishop.

## General Synod

The General Synod is the meeting of all the diocese within Australia and is held about every three years. The 23 diocesan bishops are members of the general synod ex-officio and everyone else must be nominated and elected as part of the proceedings of the diocesan synods.

This year, Brisbane was required to elect 10 clergy and 10 laity. Marian has been a long-standing member of the General Synod but stepped back in recent years. Daniel was re-elected for a second time to represent Brisbane. The General Synod will meet in the middle of 2020 for five days, no doubt with a very full agenda. Perhaps someone will suggest that group has a go at an Open Space, too!

2020 is again an election year for the diocesan synod so parish AGMs will be required to elect two lay people from their numbers to meet at Churchie in late June. We probably won’t have an election barbecue on that day.

## BREAKING NEWS

**Many of you have been asking and we have just recently been informed – Rosemary and Quinn are continuing with us in 2020.**

## VESTRY WINDOWS

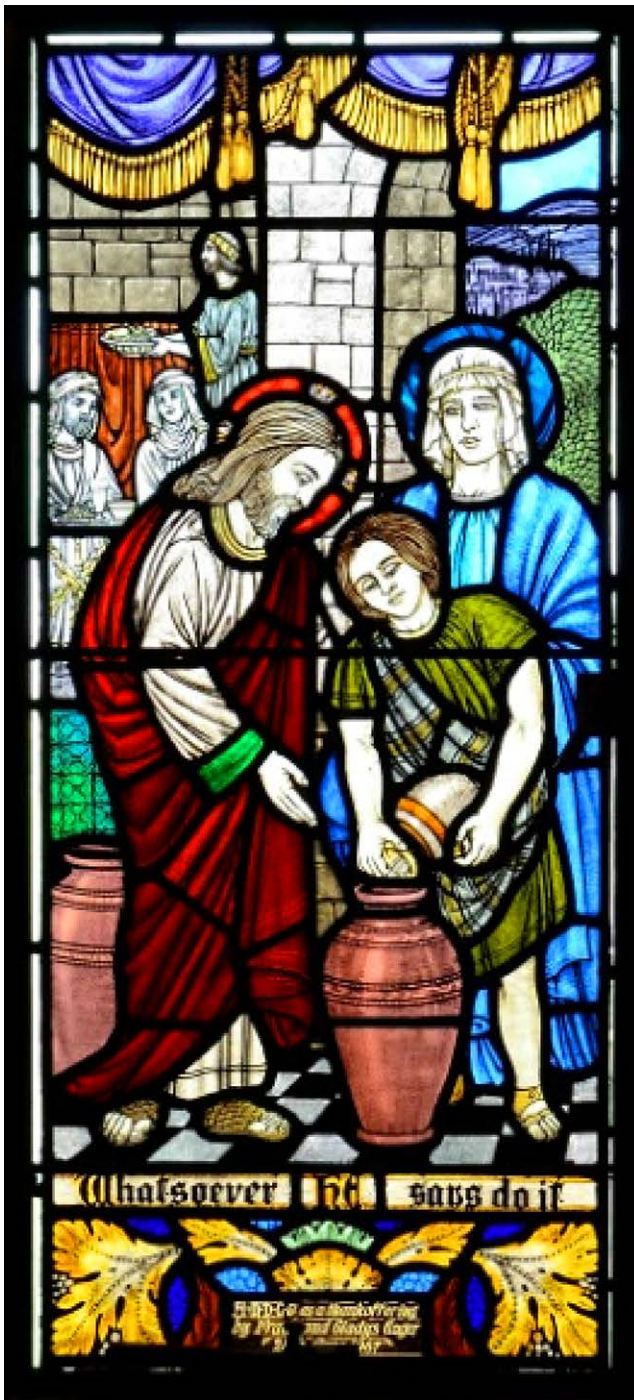
There are two windows (facing east) in the vestry that are gifts from the Eager family.

The story goes that in the days when the high altar was used and the communion rail was at the steps before that altar, Frank and Gladys felt that stained-glass windows in that spot would provide something for parishioners to reflect on as they waited to receive the sacrament.

They donated money for the window on the right (the wedding at Cana) that was designed by William Bustard. At a later date their son Alan joined them in donating the window on the left (the road to Emmaus) that was designed by Bustard's pupil, Oliver Cowley.

The window in the Columbarium that represents Mary Magdalene and the risen Christ is in memory of Fredrick and Audrey Eager (possibly also a donation from Frank and Gladys).

*(If you know more about the Eager family and/or the history of any other the other windows, we'd love to hear from you.)*





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## THANK YOU, BRYAN, FOR LEADING THE ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASS!

We are sad to say farewell to Bryan Dickson who has so ably led the English Conversation Class since David Browne left us to continue his priestly ministry. Bryan's commitment and skills have been appreciated by numerous people who have been assisted to assimilate into Australian society through improvement in language skills. He and a small band of helpers teach and explain language and idiom to ease the cultural way for those whose first language is not English – and certainly not Australian – English. We pray God will bless Bryan as he moves on to the next phase of his life.

And of course, he needed the blessing of dinner which gave people an opportunity to say their personal 'thank-you's and farewells.



An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation.

As he was about to get the anaesthesia he asked to speak to his son.

"Yes, dad, what is it?"

"Don't be nervous, son; do your best and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me ... your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife ..."

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## PASTORAL SERVICES



# PASTORAL SERVICES March – December 2019

### MARRIAGES

30-Mar-19	Todd Craig Burmester Kelly Jane Barrington
01-Jun-19	John Alexander Anderson Amy Elizabeth Cornish Cuss
22-Jun-19	Darcy Laurence Walker Rebekah Elizabeth Anja Harden
30-Nov-19	Benjamin Patrick Waterson Jessica Toms

### DEATHS

04-Apr-19	Janet Hyslop
14-Apr-19	Ian Percy Colquhoun
02-May-19	Joan Elizabeth Cranstoun
04-May-19	Murray William Elliott
27-Aug-19	Jane Macalister Geddes
25-Aug-19	John Graeme Bonifant
10-Oct-19	Peter Vivian Sawyer
12-Nov-19	Christina Royal Hosier

### BAPTISMS

07-Apr-19	Maisie Joan Kremer
14-Apr-19	Amelia Rose Irvin
22-Apr-19	Margaret Abigail Gardiner
09-Jun-19	Lucy Thwaites
	Sophie Elizabeth Gunthorpe
16-Jun-19	Gabriella Meintjes
	Angus Owen Bedford
23-Jun-19	Henry Thomas Rylance
07-Jul-19	Charlie Oliver Griffiths
28-Jul-19	Ted Nicholas John Halliwell
11-Aug-19	William Michael Rodney Somers
25-Aug-19	Hugo William Collie
	Hugh Alexander Thomas
01-Sep-19	Pearl Mae Reid
08-Sep-19	Winston Charles Macpherson
	Hettie Louise Walsh
15-Sep-19	Makayla Grace Monsour
	Jack Thomas Carty
06-Oct-19	Samora Dadiso Lee
13-Oct-19	Cooper Vincent Christiansen
10-Nov-19	Emily Joy Reed
	Elijah Hamilton Mackay
17-Nov-19	Hugo Gabriel Woods
24-Nov-19	Thomas Donald Wilton
01-Dec-19	Evan Alexander Coburn
	Georgie Faye Irene Coburn

### VALÉ THE VERY REVEREND ARTHUR J GRIMSHAW

Some may not be aware that Arthur, a loved and respected priest of this parish 1980–1985 and subsequent member of our congregation in his retirement, died on 6th September. His wife, Mary, continues in their home in Hendra supported by their sons and their families. We offer thanks to God for their ministry among us.

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