



Synod

The second set of Synod papers have been emailed to members of Synod today. We ask clergy to please ensure your representatives have received the papers - please email reception@bendigoanglican.org.au if you are having any issues.

We look forward to seeing you all at Synod.

Risk Reduction Rebate

Incumbents and treasurers will have received a letter last week introducing the process for applying for a rebate. The first deadline for applications is Friday 10 June and we welcome submissions for work undertaken anytime from 1 January 2022 onwards

The four areas are: Gutter Cleaning, Fire Readiness, Volunteer Agreements & Safe Church Clearances.

Australis by Zoom

We kicked off this new initiative on 10 May with 11 participants from 7 churches across the diocese. As mentioned at Clergy Conference, Australis is a great program for empowering & equipping lay leaders. In order for this Zoom option to be sustainable we will need a team of clergy to help run units for short periods in 2023. If you are interested please contact Rev'd Zan – mdo@bendigoanglican.org.au and she will invite you to attend one of the upcoming Zooms to see what is involved. They run 2 - 3.30pm each 2nd & 4th Tuesday.

National Sorry Day May 26th, 2022



Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

*St Paul's Anglican Cathedral,
Bendigo*

Evensong 6:00pm

*Guest Preacher
Diocesan Aboriginal Community
Support Officer
Reverend, Shannon Smith*

It's a girl!

Jeremy and Claire Morgan-Brooker, from the Parish of Central Mallee, have welcomed a baby girl

Eden Teresa Leigh

on Sunday 14 May
with Mum and bub doing well.

Please keep Jeremy, Claire and Eden in your prayers and they look forward to meeting their wider diocesan family soon.

Bishop Matt's calendar

Week	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
23 May	In Office	In Office	DAY OFF	In Office	SYNOD	SYNOD	
30 May	Mallee visit	In Office	Kooyoora AGM	Internal meetings	DAY OFF	Strath Men's Breakfast	Nyah West
6 June	ANNUAL LEAVE						
13 June	ANNUAL LEAVE						Inglewood & Maldon



Child Safe Policy updates

This week Bishop in Council approved updated Child Safe policies to reflect the new [Child Safe Standards](#) released by the Commission for Children and Young People.

The updated policies can be viewed on the diocesan website under [Safe Church > Policies](#).

Photos from around the Diocese

Please send us photos from your patch! We are looking for images of your churches, landscapes, services and of course ministry in action.

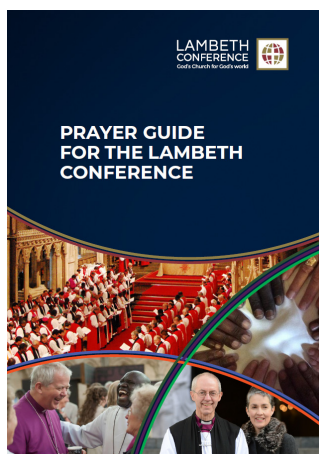
The photos will be used for a variety of purposes including online and print. By sending them to us you are giving permission for us to use them in diocesan publications.

If they have people's faces in them (adults or children), please ensure you have their permission to share the photos before sending them to us at reception@bendigoanglican.org.au

Prayer Guide for Lambeth

A prayer guide for the 15th Lambeth Conference has been released and is attached to this Update.

This short prayer guide is for churches and communities that would like to pray for the conference and all those attending. It contains an outline of what the conference covers, and prayers from Anglican religious communities around the globe.



Bishop Matt and Rachael will be heading to the UK to attend the Lambeth Conference from 22 July.

Way of the Cross

The performance of Way of the Cross on Good Friday is available to watch on YouTube:

[WATCH HERE](#)

Christian Resources

A reminder that Archdeacon George mentioned at Clergy Conference that the Bible Society is offering discounted copies of the New Beginnings Bible for parishes, as well as free bookmarks and a Pastor's Book Pack.

Sign up here:

[Jesus All About Life | Bible Society Shop](#)

Online forms

Remember to use our new online forms!



- [Property Projects Proposal](#)
- [Trust Withdrawal Form](#)
- [Online leave application](#)
- [Service Relief Request](#)
- [Designated Day Off](#)
- [Marriage of Divorced Persons](#)
- [Marriage Outside a Church Building](#)
- [Claim for Service Relief Payment](#)
- [Personal Details](#)
- [Parish Office Bearer Contact Details](#)