



Dear Friends,

1. Invitation - Evensong & Installation of Canons – St. Paul’s Cathedral – SUNDAY 23 July.

The Cathedral Chapter is to have new members being installed on Sunday 23rd July at 6pm during Evensong.

The Reverend Shannon Smith will be the Moorhouse Canon and Reverend Tracey Wolsey will be the Goe Canon. Mandy Stableford, currently a Cathedral Warden and senior Lay Assistant, will be the Guest Canon.

We will also be saying “Thank you” to three retiring Canons: The Reverend Heather Marten, Greg McKerlie and Derek Shepherd.

Please feel free to attend and welcome the new Canon’s in to the Cathedral Chapter.

2. Fourth Quarter (Q4) Kingdom Focus Convention

Please see the attached flier regarding the convention or click on the link for further information:

[Q4 Convention Information](#)

3. Ministry Announcements

Please see the attached ministry announcements.

Welcome Rev’d Steve Webster to South East Bendigo as Associate Priest and Samuel Kelly as the Community Chaplain in Rochester.

4. A. Safe Church INDUCTION Training – FRIDAY 25 August

Open to ALL parishes is our Safe Church Induction training, being held at The Curnow Centre, 8 Myers St, Bendigo on Friday 25th August from 9:30am – 2pm.

B. Safe Church REFRESHER Training – FRIDAY 15 September

Also open to ALL parishes is our Safe Church REFRESHER training, being held at The Curnow Centre, 8 Myers St, Bendigo on Friday 15th September from 9:30am – 2pm.



5. **The Global Marriage Course Experience – Marriage & Ministry - Starting 25 July (Alpha Australia)**

Greg Murray and his wife are leading an exclusive online event for church leader couples. It is The Marriage Course with a brand-new session, Marriage & Ministry, created especially for couples in ministry and leading a local church. Over 500 church leaders across the world recently completed this online event and they are leading it for Australian church leaders.

Over eight weeks you and your spouse can join them from the comfort of your own home and experience The Marriage Course together as a couple. Every conversation is private, just between the two of you, and you will have time to explore conversations together on a range of subjects that will strengthen your own marriage.

Church leaders are always giving out and ministering to other people and so they want to help their colleagues intentionally invest in their own marriages. [Here are the details and registration link.](#)

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call Greg on 0413 565 711.

Your servant in Christ

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Fourth Quarter (Q4) Kingdom Focus Convention

24–25 AUGUST 2024, THE MANNINGHAM CLUB, BULLEEN, VIC

Deciding how you will spend your fourth quarter – your retirement years – may be one of the most important decisions you ever make. Traditional notions of retirement are flawed, and God has something so much more fulfilling planned for you, that leverages the unique skills and experience gained throughout your lifetime. Whether you’re approaching your fourth quarter or whether you’re already in it, our Fourth Quarter Kingdom Focus convention will be a day to remember.

Thursday 24 August 2024
9:15 am-3.30 pm

- God’s unique call on our lives in the 4th quarter (Bruce Bruinsma)
- New Ways to Think about Aging (Amy Hanson)
- Telling our Stories (Paul Roe)
- Retirement Readiness with Rising Rates and Recession....the 4 Rs of transitioning to retirement. (Gavin Martin)

Friday, 25 August 2024
9:15 am-3.30 pm

“The Power of Story” Paul Roe
Spend the day with outback historian Paul Roe, exploring ‘The Power of Story’. He’s only able to give us the highlights on Thursday, but on Friday he will dig in deeper, helping you to recognise, tell and preserve YOUR story for future generations. More detail on the next page.



Bruce Bruinsma (Live via Zoom from USA)

Bruce is founder of The Retirement Reformation, a movement to motivate and encourage purposeful living during the Third Chapter of life.



Amy Hanson PhD (Live via Zoom from USA)

Amy leads a speaking, writing and consulting ministry that helps churches and organisations respond to the needs and opportunities of the new old.



Paul Roe – The Outback Historian

An author and historian, Paul has spent a lifetime gathering and telling stories of how God works through everyday Australians.



Gavin Martin – Cornerstone Wealth

Gavin is the founder of Cornerstone Wealth, and enjoys helping individuals, families and business owners achieve their life calling by aligning their financial set up with life goals.

Discuss and share stories and ideas in table groups and with the wider audience, participate in a Q&A with panellists, and come away with fresh ideas about how to maximise your Fourth Quarter for God’s Kingdom!

Register for one day or both days!

\$95 for one day or \$170 for both days, includes lunch, morning and afternoon tea.

Register online on www.cma.net.au/q4convention

or phone 1300 262 300



THE POWER OF STORY

Fifty-plus years of storytelling have proved to me that, not only does everyone love a good story well told, but that a story of goodness goes to deep to the core of being fully human. I've adopted a saying from my Scottish ancestors: "Storytelling is eye to eye, mind to mind and heart to heart." Recent research by gifted historians has unearthed a wealth of powerful stories that show Jesus' footprints are all across Australia, but most Australians can't see them. They need lovers of these stories who will engage them in discovering these.

We are facing a national crisis. "A generation grew up that knew not the Lord nor what he had done for Israel." (Judges 2:10) Our grandchildren and their peers need storytellers who will bring to life the spiritual heritage that makes Australia, not a lucky country, but a blessed country. We all fill our days narrating events. Jesus elevated this task telling his disciples to make their good works highly visible, to expose them high on a hill, up on a lampstand. As a Q4 grandfather, I want to not only excite you with our Australian faith-stories, but to train you to track them and tell them in every corner of our country.

I look forward to meeting you and hearing your story.

Paul Roe

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Friends

I'm glad to announce that the Rev'd Steve Webster will be moving to the Parish of South East Bendigo to take up the role of Associate Priest. Steve and Penne come to us with a wealth of experience in ministry in a diversity of contexts through Melbourne.

Steve grew up in the south-eastern suburbs of Melbourne, Australia. After leaving high school to join a trade school, he was employed and trained by Telecom Australia to work as an electrician and added qualifications for electronics and refrigeration and air-conditioning.

He married Penne (pronounced "Penny") in 1982 and they have two adult children. Outside of their working hours, Steve (and Penne) served as volunteer youth workers in the Dandenong Ranges area of Melbourne which led to Steve being invited to join the staff of the Anglican Church in Belgrave as a lay minister involved in evangelism and discipleship. He began studying part-time at Ridley College and later was accepted as an ordinand by the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne.

Ordained a deacon and priest in 1991, Steve went on to serve in several parishes and has been vicar of St Michael's North Carlton since 2006. Steve also devotes some hours of his week to sports chaplaincy at Ikon Park for the Carlton Football Club (AFL), including some game days. Penne is a qualified schoolteacher and music educator and has worked with both the Victorian Arts Secondary School and Australian Ballet School since 2003. Steve and Penne have recently enjoyed the great privilege of becoming grandparents.

Steve and Penne are looking forward to settling into Bendigo and the parish where Rev Trev Bell is looking forward to welcoming Steve onto the ministry team in November.

Please pray for Steve and Penne as they conclude their ministry at St Michael's and make the move to Bendigo.

Your servant in Christ

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Dear Friends

Many of you have been praying for Rochester as the work to rebuild the town and surrounding districts after last year's flood. I am very excited to announce that Samuel Kelly has been commissioned to work as Community Chaplain in Rochester to be available to all as they repair, rebuild and return to town.

Samuel is a theological student and is part of our ordination discernment process. He is also a child of the region growing up and residing in and around Echuca. This makes Samuel's appointment both fitting and exciting as he serves the Rochester community and continues his ministry formation.

Samuel is a keen member of the Parish of Echuca and is being nurtured by Rev Phil Zamagias as he studies and grows into his calling. Samuel's work in Rochester is being made possible through gifts from individuals and churches to New Horizons Welfare Services and a grant from ARDFA who many are familiar with through our partnership with the Karen church on the Thai-Myanmar border.

Samuel writes:

'I was born and bred in Echuca and will always be a country boy at heart! I have been attending Christ Church Echuca since 2021, serving in any area of ministry he can to glorify God, while also trying to advance my ministry skills. I have a Diploma of Community Services and am currently in the 3rd year studying a Bachelor of Ministry at Ridley College, with the end goal of Ordained ministry in the Anglican Church. In my spare time, I enjoy musical theatre and acting (both watching shows and performing in them), refereeing basketball, playing musical instruments, and singing. I am looking forward to serving in the Bendigo diocese in his new role!'

Please pray for Samuel as he develops contacts in Rochester and seeks to be a caring presence through what will continue to be a long period of rebuilding. Please thank God for the individuals and agencies which have made this appointment possible.

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