



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL GRAFTON

open doors ... open hearts ... open minds

2 September 2018

Martyrs of Papua New Guinea

We are a generous faith community—centred on Jesus, seeking wisdom for life and acting with compassion—in the heart of Grafton since 1842.

The Cathedral is open every day. You are always welcome to use the Cathedral and its grounds for prayer and reflection, and we encourage you to make this a place of pilgrimage and prayer for our City.

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| <i>Mass setting</i> | Missa Brevis in D (Robert Eather) |
| <i>Introit</i> | Da Pacem Domine (Give us peace in this our day) (M Franck) |
| <i>Entrance song</i> | 153 God is love |
| <i>Prayer of the day</i> | All powerful and everliving God, turn our weakness into strength: as you gave the martyrs of Papua New Guinea the courage to suffer death for Christ, give us the courage to live in faithful witness to you. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. |
| <i>Offertory song</i> | 595 O Jesus I have promised |
| <i>Communion Anthems</i> | O thou whose all-redeeming might – Plainsong melody arr. David Blackwell Grant we beseech thee merciful Lord – J Hawes |
| <i>Mission song</i> | 691 Faith will not from words alone |
| <i>Organ Postlude</i> | Prelude & Fugue in F – Vincent Lubeck |

BIBLE READINGS

First Reading

[Zephaniah 3.14-20]

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!

The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak.

The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.

And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you;

for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Psalm 130

Colin Mawby



1. Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord:
Lord, hear my voice;
2. O let your ears consider well:
the voice of my supplication. (R/.)
3. If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong:
who then, O Lord, could stand?
4. But there is forgiveness with you:
so that you shall be feared. (R/.)
5. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him:
and in his word is my hope.
6. My soul looks for the Lord:
more than watchmen for the morning,
more, I say, than watchmen for the morning. (R/.)

7. O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:
and with him is ample redemption.

8. He will redeem Israel:
from the multitude of their sins. (R/.)

Second Reading

[Romans 8.33-39]

Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.' No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Reading

[John 12.20-32]

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.'

THE MARTYRS OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA | SEPTEMBER 2

The Anglican Church in Australia has set this day aside to remember the twelve Anglicans who died in Papua New Guinea in 1942/43, during the Japanese invasion and occupation of the country we now know as Papua New Guinea.

John Barge, priest
Margery Brenchley, nurse
John Duffill, builder
Leslie Gariardi, evangelist and teacher
May Hayman, nurse
Henry Holland, priest
Lilla Lashmar, teacher
Henry Matthews, priest
Bernard Moore, priest
Mavis Parkinson, teacher
Vivian Redlich, priest
Lucian Tapiedi, evangelist and teacher

Were any of these people PNG Nationals?

Yes, both Lucien Tapiedi and Leslie Gariardi.

What did they have in common?

Each of them died because, as an individual, they chose to continue to serve the people entrusted to them by God rather than travel to safety when they had the opportunity. It is this act of personal self-denial in the face of imminent personal danger to their life that led inevitably to the death of each of them.

Why September 2?

This has been chosen as one day to commemorate 12 people who died on various dates in 1942 and 1943. In a number of cases the actual dates of their deaths are unclear. In 1996 the date was agreed to be used as a commemorative date for all 333 Christian martyrs of PNG in World War II.

Are these the only Christian Martyrs of PNG in the 1940s?

Far from it. Members of all the major churches were killed in the hostilities. It is difficult to know exact numbers. At different times the lists have varied but a total of 333 martyrs is estimated:

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| Anglican | 12 |
| Roman Catholic | 197 |
| Evangelical Church of Manus | 5 |

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| Lutheran | 16 |
| United Church | 77 |
| Salvation Army | 22 |
| Seventh Day Adventist | 4 |

Does the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea Observe this day?

Yes, indeed. It is one of the big days of celebration in many parishes. There is traditional dancing in the Eucharist and the kundu drums are played. At the Martyr's Memorial School it is always a very important occasion.

Why does the Australian Church keep this day?

1. Papua New Guinea is Australia's nearest neighbour, closer than New Zealand or Indonesia.
2. From 1896 to 1973 the Territory of Papua was an Australian dependant territory. From 1919 to 1973 the Protectorate of New Guinea was an Australian responsibility first under the Charter of the League of Nations and then under the United Nations. Today Australian governments always recognise that there is a special responsibility that we have for the nation of Papua New Guinea. This government responsibility is mirrored in the responsibility that the Anglican Church of Australia has for the Anglican Church of PNG which is taken up by the Anglican Board of Mission – Australia.
3. Many of the martyrs were missionaries of the Anglican Church in Australia.

What can we learn today from the lives and deaths of these people?

One answer to this is that they were ordinary Christian people, doing the tasks they believed God had called them to do. It is easy for us to find among them some particular person with whom we can identify and see that we are never too old, too young, too ordinary, too unskilled, to perform a part in the mission of God to bring his love and justice to this broken world.



CONSECRATION & INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW BISHOP ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Due to the limited number of places available for seats inside the Cathedral, we are looking to involve as many parishioners as possible as sidespersons, etc on the day. If you are especially keen to be seated inside for this service please speak with the Dean ASAP.

PETER & HEATHER ROLAND

It is with a mixture of joy and sadness that we farewell Peter and Heather this morning as they prepare to move to Sydney after many years in Grafton. They will be greatly missed across a whole range of community groups, including the Cathedral community. We are grateful for all that we have shared with them over the years and wish them God's deepest blessings for the years ahead.

PREPARATION OF CHILDREN FOR HOLY COMMUNION

This program will commence in mid-September. Please encourage families with children aged between 7 and 12 to contact the Dean ASAP. The classes for children in Year 4 at CVAS start this week, and other children undertaking a family based preparation will now also be starting their programs.

my FAITH

my LIFE

my CHURCH



STARTING NEXT WEEKEND

Please speak with Greg or Camellia ASAP, if you would like to join us for a special series of the Dean's Forum during September and October:

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| September 09 | Anglican Christianity |
| September 16 | Disciples of Jesus |
| September 23 | The Bible |
| October 07 | Spiritual Practice |
| October 21 | The Five Marks of Mission |
| October 28 | Intentional Discipleship |

This series was originally designed for people wishing to be confirmed on November 25, but it is open for anyone wishing to brush up their understanding of what it means to be an Anglican.

For those not able to join us in person on all these Sunday mornings, the sessions will be live streamed and also available as video afterwards. Use them for your own personal study or maybe form a small discussion group to discuss the topics covered in the series.

LICENSED EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We are delighted that Archdeacon Gail Hagon, the Diocesan Administrator has recently approved new or extended licenses for the following people to assist with the distribution of the Sacrament during the Eucharist: Terry Bird (Lawrence), Sarah Dougherty, Mark Cameron, Robyn Gould, Bill Johnston, and Alex Purvis.

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Prayers for those in need

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Ruth Kingsley
Doris Lee
Joan Marr
John McAnally
Jan Pitt
Eileen Rogan

Muriel Shepherd
Laurie Stephenson
Tammy Uren
Jessie Usher
Keith Zietsch

Remembering those who have died

Recently departed:

Year's Mind: Eileen Glen, Jean James, Jeremy Burns, Ian McArdle, Dulcie Duffy

Cathedral Prayer

Living and eternal Christ, bless the ministry of this Cathedral as a place of pilgrimage and prayer. May our doors always be open to pilgrims, may our hearts always be open to one another, and may our minds always be open to new truth. Draw us deeply into the mystery of your life, your death and your resurrection, now and always. Amen.

Around the Parish this Week

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| Today | <i>Martyrs of Papua New Guinea & Fathers' Day</i> 9.00am–Sung Eucharist, Christ Church Cathedral 11.00am–Eucharist (Holy Apostles, Copmanhurst) |
| Monday | 8.30am–Morning Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) |
| Tuesday | 8.30am–Morning Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) 5.15pm–Evening Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) |
| Wednesday | 8.30am–Morning Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) 10.00am–Holy Eucharist (Cathedral) 5.15pm–Evening Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) |
| Thursday | 7.00am–Produce Markets (OpShop car park) 8.30am–Morning Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) 9.30am–Bishop in Council (Bishop's Registry) 5.15pm–Evening Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) 7.00pm–Living the Questions (Edwards Hall) 7.00pm–Choir Practice (Christ Church Cathedral) |
| Friday | 8.30am–Morning Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) 10.00am–Chapter Meeting (Bishop's Registry) 5.15pm–Evening Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) |
| Saturday | 8.00am–Wedding (Christ Church Cathedral) 8.30am–Morning Prayer (Chapel of the Epiphany) 9.00am–Cursillo Meeting (Parish Centre Foyer) |
| Next Sunday | <i>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i> 9.00am–Sung Eucharist, Christ Church Cathedral 10.30am–Dean's Forum– Parish Centre 11.00am–Eucharist (All Saints, Lawrence) |
| <u>Next Sunday roster:</u> | Cathy Eggins & Jenny Vaughan (sidespeople), Roger Millard (Reader 1), Brian Holley (Reader 2 & Prayers), Kaye Ware & Betty Ford (Morning Tea) |



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