



ANGLICAN PARISH OF LAMBTON

**St John the Baptist
Lambton
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Today's Scripture Readings – 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Old Testament – Exodus 12 : 1 - 14
Psalm – 149
New Testament – Romans 13 : 1 - 10
Gospel – Matthew 18 : 10 - 20

Readings for 13th September 2020 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Old Testament – Exodus 14 : 19 - 31
Psalm – 114
New Testament – Romans 14 : 1 - 14
Gospel – Matthew 18: 21 - 35



From Rev Chris Bullock

Welcome to Lambton News!

Welcome to Bishop Peter

We are pleased to welcome Bishop Peter with us for our service today. We thank God for the ministry we share in the Diocese and for the leadership given.

Father's Day

Today is a special day for many families as they celebrate Father's Day. We do give thanks for blessing of our fathers.



Bishop Peter writes

The faithfulness and sacrifice of the New Guinea Martyrs during World War II has an enduring power to inspire and call us to engage in God's mission. In memory of the Martyrs, every year on the anniversary of their deaths, **ABM launches an Appeal** which seeks to honour their selfless commitment and support the ongoing work of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea. (*Please see poster*).

When the Japanese threatened to invade Papua New Guinea in 1942, Bishop Philip Strong encouraged Anglican mission staff to remain at their posts. Eleven Anglicans (Papuan, English and

Australians) were martyred, as were 15 Lutherans, 24 Methodists and 188 Roman Catholics. After the war concluded, these missions were welcomed back by locals.

(Australian Anglicans Remember – Charles Sherlock. New Guinea Martyrs (September 2))

A prayer as we remember

Father, we thank you for the martyrs of Papua New Guinea; they obeyed the call of your son Jesus Christ to take up their cross and follow him, and so glorified you by their deaths. Make your Church strong by their witness and their prayers: and may we follow their example of faithfulness and courageous work for your Kingdom. And be joined with you for ever through the same Jesus our Lord who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever. **Amen.** (ABM Prayers)

Morning Prayer and Bible Study – Wednesday at 9am.

A warm invitation is extended to all members of the parish to come along to share worship and fellowship. The study aspect is designed to begin reflection on the readings for the coming Sunday. There is not too much homework (as those who have shared already will tell you)!



After a meeting with Archdeacon Arthur and Mrs Beck Bishop from All Saints Anew regarding the possibility of beginning a Mainly Music group at Lambton, the Parish Council has agreed to proceed with a trial for Term 4 this year. Beck Bishop and some of her team from New Lambton together with volunteers from our parish will help. This is an exciting joint venture. The administrative details are being worked through.

Working bee – Thank you

A sincere thank you to those who worked to tidy up the grounds of the church yard last Monday. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. It is proposed to have another working bee on Monday 28 September commencing at 9.30am. Great skill is not required. Good fellowship is enjoyed as we work together.

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Thank you to those who have already contributed to our project to cover the cost of our new photocopier, relieving the previous one after 20 years' service. Envelopes are available for your donation.

Chris Bullock

Our Mission for September



The Bush Church Aid Society of Australia reaches out to people living in remote and regional Australia. They are committed to nurturing Christians in their faith and ministry, strengthening local Christian communities in their faith, promoting active partnership throughout the church. They are there for those in remote areas develop an understanding of Christ's mission. With the closure of churches many BCA supported churches are moving services online. Their field staff have unprecedented opportunities to reach out in different ways for example via television (Norfolk Island) radio (Lightning Ridge, Croajingolong and King Island).

Please keep this mission in your prayers and donate generously.