

# Queanbeyan and District Anglican Church

Queanbeyan, Karabar, Jerrabomberra, Burra, Googong, Michelago

## The Second Sunday after Epiphany

### Parish Bulletin

17<sup>th</sup> January 2010

Jesus performed this first miracle in Cana in Galilee; there he revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

*John 2:11*



### You are welcome

*A warm welcome to everyone. You are worshipping among friends. We trust that in this time of worship you will know the joy and healing of Jesus Christ our Lord. You are welcome to join us as pilgrims with Christ on our life's journey. Our Mission statement: "Growing Communities confident in Christ" is lived-out by a people of faith who serve our City in the strength of God's love.*

### Haiti - a nation under rubble

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January (local time), the Caribbean island-nation of Haiti was struck by a massive 7.0-magnitude earthquake. It could be felt strongly in eastern Cuba, more than 200 miles away.

Much of the infrastructure has been destroyed including hospitals and roads. It is estimated that about 100,000 lives have been lost



and possibly 3 million people - one third of Haiti's population - have been affected according to the Red Cross. Thousands are in need of urgent medical



attention but without hospitals and medical supplies, the situation is grim.

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Port-au-Prince was one of those who perished. Monsignor Serge Miot's body was pulled from the rubble of his office and much of the capital's Roman Catholic cathedral was in ruins.

Information is unclear but I believe also that the Anglican Cathedral has been completely destroyed as has most of the complex around it including the Bishop's house and the convent and theological college. Relief is being offered to people by the churches through tents set up in sports fields.

Aid agencies have chartered flights but on Friday some were turned back because Port-au-Prince airport was 'saturated' and had no fuel for return flights. Later reports indicate more normal operations.

Accounts of survivors pulled from the rubble on Thursday and Friday kept hopes alive as more rescue teams arrived to boost the efforts of local people. But Médecins sans Frontières warned the country was 'entering a critical period' for significant numbers of injured and trapped people to survive.

The Anglican Board of Mission is accepting donations for the victims of the earthquake which will be sent to Haiti through the Episcopal Relief and Development Agency (ERD), our fellow Anglican partner, who are "committed to a long-term response and recovery effort" with "one of the largest and perhaps most socially engaged diocese of the Episcopal Church".

[Donate](#) online by going to the ABM website and selecting the news about the Haitian earthquake and then follow the prompts. Or contact the ABM office on 1300 302663, Sydney 9264 1021

Please pray for all people in Haiti, the Western Hemisphere's poorest country, as they need much support and care. Pray for the injured, for those in distress, for those who have lost loved ones in this terrible tragedy and also, for the rescuers and aid workers who are working in terrible conditions.

**Gracious and loving Lord,  
We pray for your mercy upon  
the island of Haiti. Its people  
have suffered so greatly  
through the most severe  
poverty, hurricanes, economic  
and political oppression. And  
now the devastation of this  
earthquake is beyond  
comprehension.**

**Comfort those who have lost  
loved ones; be with those who  
are injured, guide those who  
search for the lost and bring  
relief to the suffering; redeem  
their land, and restore its  
future. May the hope of this  
people not be in vain. May the  
promise that with You, all  
things are possible, be fulfilled  
for the people of Haiti. We  
ask this prayer through Jesus  
Christ our Lord, Amen.**

*Based on a prayer of the Episcopal  
Church of the US*

*Information from the Bible Society and the Anglican Board of Mission Australia*



## News and Notices

- ❖ **James** is on holiday until after Australia Day. **Thank you** to **Mary** who is taking the service at Michelago today and to **Liz** and **Gavin** for leading the worship at Burra.
- ❖ The **evening services at Jerrabomberra** begin again on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January.
- ❖ We wish the **Rev'd Kirrilee and Ewan Ried** and their children God's blessing as grace as they leave the Diocese this week and move to Scotland where Kirrilee starts in a new ministry in mid February.
- ❖ **A Quiet Weekend for women "Towards Freedom"** from 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> February at The Hermitage Mittagong. Accommodation in the beautiful and spacious grounds is in individual bedrooms with ensuite. There will be good food, good company and time for quiet and for being open to the presence of our loving God. The weekend begins with dinner on Friday and ends after lunch on the Sunday. Cost \$190. For more information take a leaflet or talk to Liz at the Rectory on 6299 3920
- ❖ **The readings for the coming weeks invite us to look at Jesus.** At Christ Church on Sunday mornings the themes will be: 10<sup>th</sup> Jan - **the Baptism of Jesus**; 17<sup>th</sup> Jan - **the Glory of Jesus**; 24<sup>th</sup> Jan - **the Mission of Jesus**; 31<sup>st</sup> Jan - **the Rejection of Jesus**; 7<sup>th</sup> Feb - **the Call of Jesus**; 14<sup>th</sup> Feb - **the Transfiguration of Jesus**. The epistle readings put this in the context that today we are the Body of Christ on earth - that we carry forward the ministry of Jesus as we wait for the completion of the new creation begun in the resurrection of Jesus.
- ❖ **During Lent this year [Ash Wednesday is 17<sup>th</sup> February] we plan a change in the ministry in the Parish.** We are very conscious that while each of the clergy have different gifts and that people relate to the priests and deacons as people and that these trusting relationships are built up over time; nevertheless we are a single Parish and to share resources and ministry experience can give people a very great encouragement. So for Lent and Easter we are, as it were, "swapping pulpits" on a Sunday. James will be leading the services at Christ Church and Ian those in Burra and Michelago. We pray that everyone will be enriched by this experience and that it will be for the glory of God.



## Prayers for the coming week

**Prayers for God's people:** Remember those in need of our prayers including: Shirley Murray, Lyn Boucher, Lyn Lyon, Russel Avery, Joan Cobcroft, Donna Deluca, Joan Hogan and Nin Collet: those who mourn the loss of loved ones;

**Sunday:** Pray for those who face unwelcome news or hard decisions.

**Monday:** Pray for all those who are ill at home or in hospital.

**Tuesday:** Pray for our ministries in aged care residences.

**Wednesday:** Pray for all who work in the public service.

**Thursday:** Pray for local businesses in Queanbeyan, for those who run them and for leaders in our community.

**Friday:** Give thanks for the leadership of Bishops Stewart & Trevor and pray for the mission of the Church in our Parish and Diocese.

**Saturday:** Pray for those preparing to lead our worship tomorrow.

### Readings for Next Sunday – Third Sunday after Epiphany – 24<sup>th</sup> January

Nehemiah 8:1-10    Psalm 19                      1 Corinthians 12:12-31                      Luke 4:14-21

## Regular Sunday Worship

<b>Christ Church</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10am	Holy Communion [with Sunday School]
<b>St Matthew's (Karabar)</b>	9.45am	Prayer and worship
<b>St Paul's (Burra)</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.45am	Family Worship
<b>Jerrabomberra</b>	5.00pm	Contemporary worship Community Hall
<b>St Thomas' Michelago</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion [1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays]

**Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion: Christ Church

**Saturday** 6pm Eucharist: the Chapel of the Celebration Community [15 Callum St]

## Clergy Team

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