

CATHEDRAL NEWS

MID-YEAR UPDATE

Anglicare NC @ 20

This month Anglicare North Coast celebrates 20 years of practising hope in action in the Diocese of Grafton. The Cathedral will observe Anglicare Sunday on May 5 and we shall also be hosting a diocesan service on Wednesday, May 15.

CVAS Junior School

On May 26, families from Kindy to Year Four at Clarence Valley Anglican School (the 'Cathedral Campus' of CVAS) will be joining us for Sunday worship at 9.00am. Several of the Year Four students will be admitted to Holy Communion during that service.

Synod Sunday

Synod will be meeting over the third weekend in June, and our service on Sunday, June 23, will start at 8.00am. The earlier time will allow members of Synod to worship at the Cathedral before Synod resumes at 10.00am that day. Please note the change of time for that one day only.



Ministry with Children, Families & Youth

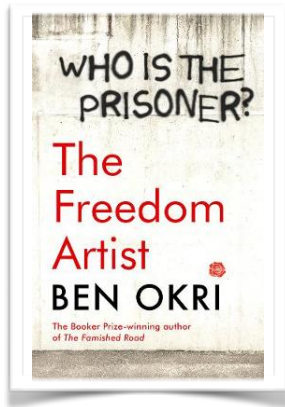
A special welcome to Rosalind (Roz) Rogers as she commences her role as our Associate Minister for Children, Families and Youth. This is great news for us as a parish community, but also for CVAS since Roz will be seconded to the school for 50% of her time to serve as Chaplain.

The contact details for Roz are as follows:

families@graftoncathedral.org.au
0476 868 294

Roz is married to Judy McKenna, and we look forward to getting to know them both as they become part of the Cathedral community. Please keep them both in your prayers as Roz begins her new appointment among us.





Cathedral Book Club

The Reading with Spiritual Eyes book club meets this term at 6.00pm on Tuesday, July 2 to discuss the ethical and spiritual issues in *The Freedom Artist*, by Ben Okri. Order a copy from the Cathedral Bookshop and join us for a fascinating discussion over wine and nibbles.

Dean's Forum

The Dean's Forum is held on the first Sunday of each month at 11.00am. The topics for the Winter series are:

- *Hope in Action* (Estelle Graham, CEO, Anglicare North Coast)
- *Pilgrimage as spiritual practice* (The Dean)
- *Sacred texts, holy imagination* (The Dean)

Funeral Information

Do you have your copy of our information booklet for families around the time of a funeral? Pick up a copy from the Cathedral or the Parish Office. It has lots of useful information, including a simple planning sheet to make it easier for your family when the time comes.

Cathedral Halls for Hire

Following the installation of a new kitchen in the Parish Centre work has continued on the Edwards Hall and in the foyer areas so that we can offer a high-quality venue for business meetings, conferences and small seminars. The Hunt Hall is also now available for larger events and for events that do not need such high levels of amenities.

The refurbishment of the Parish Centre is expected to be completed by mid-May, when the new carpets will be laid. The facilities include high-speed WIFI and Internet connections, as well as a large digital LCD screen.

Please make the availability of these facilities widely known among community groups and local business organisations. Once the work is completed, people will be able to book the facilities through the www.hallsforhire.com.au website.

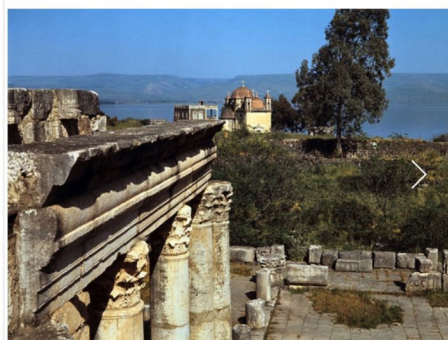
Mindfulness for Parents

John Shearer, a local 'mindfulness master coach', will present a special session for busy parents seeking to develop their skills in mindfulness and intentional stillness as part of our *Building Strong Families* program.

Venue: Edwards Hall, Grafton Cathedral

Date: Sunday, May 19 at 3.00pm

It is not too late to sign up for our pilgrimage ...



Holy Land PILGRIMAGE 2019

JOIN US for a special 10-day pilgrimage to the land of the Holy One:

7-16 December 2019

The pilgrimage will be led by Dean Greg Jenks. A former Dean of St George's College in Jerusalem, Dr Jenks is also a co-director of the Bethsaida Excavations Project in the Galilee. He is familiar with many of the historical and religious highlights of this remarkable place

come ... see ... encounter ... pray ...