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Making the Word of God fully known

Blessings in Surprising Places

2019 JUMBUNNA MINISTRY CONFERENCE

Monday 13 to Wednesday 15 May

PROGRAMME



Foothills Conference Centre

48 Edinburgh Road, Mooroolbark





Monday 13 May		Foothills Conference Centre
11.30am - 1.00pm	Registration with Morning Tea	
1.00pm - 2.00pm	Lunch	
2.00pm - 3.00pm	Acknowledgement of Country Blessings in Surprising Places (1)	The Rev'd Dr Theresa Lau
3.00pm - 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea	
3.30pm - 4.30pm	Bishop's Time, Q&A, discussion and conversation	Bishop Paul Barker
4.30pm - 5.00pm	My Story: Blessed in Surprising Places	Archbishop Stephen Than Myint Oo, Primate of Myanmar
5.15pm - 6.30pm	Archdeacon's Drinks	
6.30pm - 7.00pm	Evening Prayer	Archdeacon Ian Morrison
7.00pm	Dinner God is Good for Us	Greg Sheridan
Tuesday 14 May		
8.00am - 9.00am	Breakfast	
9.00am - 9.45am	Morning Prayer	Archdeacon Helen Phillips
9.45am - 10.45am	Blessings in Surprising Places (2)	The Rev'd Dr Theresa Lau
10.45am - 11.15am	Morning Tea	
11.15am - 12.45pm	Wise Pastoral Ministry	Bishop Matt Brain
1.00pm - 2.00pm	Lunch in Deaneries	
2.00 pm - 3.00pm	Book Discussion Groups (see below)	
3.00 pm - 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea	
3.30 pm - 4.30pm	Workshops (see below)	
4.30 pm - 6.30pm	Free Time	
6.30 pm - 7.00pm	Evening Prayer	Archdeacon Johnsan David
7.00 pm	The Conference Dinner	On Church Street
Wednesday 15 May		
8.00am - 9.00am	Breakfast, pack and vacate rooms	
9.00am - 9.30am	Morning Prayer	Archdeacon Gail Pinchbeck
9.30am - 10.15am	Blessings in Surprising Places (3)	The Rev'd Dr Theresa Lau
10.15am - 10.45am	Group Discussion & Sharing	
10.45am - 11.15am	Morning Tea	





11.15am – 11.45am	My church: Blessed to be a Surprising Blessing	Archbishop Stephen Than Myint Oo
11.45am	Service of Holy Communion	Bishop Paul Barker

THEME

Blessings in Surprising Places

The Beatitudes, though well-known, remind us of the surprising blessings that belong to those who follow Jesus. This can be such an encouragement, that God blesses in ways and places the world does not expect. At the same time, Jesus' famous words challenge not our outward piety but our hearts. And as ministers more than any, how crucial this is.

We want the conference to be a blessing for all, an encouragement in teaching, fellowship, thinking, worship and space.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

The Rev'd Dr Theresa Lau teaches New Testament at Melbourne School of Theology. She is an Anglican priest, originally from Malaysia, and her PhD was on the Gospel of Matthew. Theresa has taught New Testament in China, Spain and Australia among other places.

The Most Rev'd Stephen Than Myint Oo is the Primate of the Church of the Province of Myanmar. He will share something of his story under the military junta of Myanmar and more recently and something of his church and encourage us to look for blessings in surprising places.

Greg Sheridan is the Foreign Editor of *The Australian* newspaper and author of *God is Good for You*

Bishop Matt Brain is Bishop of Bendigo and has recently published a book called *Wise: Transforming Pastoral Ministry*.

On Church Street is an acapella gospel group based around Greensborough.

WORKSHOPS

There are six workshops/conversations on the Tuesday after afternoon tea to choose from. You can sign up for one on arrival

- Setting Motivational Goals (Andrew Jones, Converge International Ministry Consultant)
- Ministry in Op Shops (Paul Carr, Vicar of Gardenvale)
- Handling Difficult People (Sandy Jones, Leadership Consultant)
- Ministry that connects with the Community (Owen Prout, Vicar of Cockatoo)
- Ministry with Children when you have none (Liz Rankin, Children's & Family Minister, Mornington & Mt Martha)
- Emotionally Healthy Spirituality (Andrew Bowles, Vicar of Emerald)





BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Everyone attending the conference is asked to read ONE of the following books before the conference. In the session after lunch on the Tuesday, we will break into discussion groups, one for each book, with someone assigned to chair the discussion.

- Diarmaid MacCulloch: *Silence*
- Hugh Mackay: *Australia Reimagined*
- Tim Keller: *The Prodigal Prophet*
- Fleming Rutledge: *Crucifixion*
- Richard Rohr: *The Divine Dance*
- Justin Lewis-Anthony: *If You Meet George Herbert on the Road, Kill Him*

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The costs have been kept at the same level as last year bearing in mind that even such disciplined costing will be a struggle for some Parishes.

I ask that you bring a Bible and A Prayer Book for Australia.

Please pray for the conference that we may be encouraged and enriched by both the sessions as well as the fellowship.

MUSIC

Can you help play music? We have keyboard players but any other musicians are welcome. Please let Bishop Paul, James Connor or Christine Barren know if you can bring an instrument to play for morning and evening prayer and the Eucharist.

Please register as soon as possible via Bishop Paul's Assistant, Nicole Tyrrell, on the form attached. FULL payment MUST be made in advance.

