

Prayer of the week:

Almighty God, in your wisdom you have so ordered our earthly life that we must walk by faith and not by sight: give us such trust in your fatherly care that in the face of all perplexities we may give proof of our faith by the courage of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Stories to Inspire

WEEK ENDING 18 OCTOBER 2020



SOCIAL ENTERPRISE AS FAITH IN ACTION

IN THE TIME OF COVID-19 & BEYOND

Take the time to [click here](#) for the recording of last week's Social Enterprise as Faith in Action Webinar. It was a privilege to facilitate such an amazing event. You will see 5 inspiring presentations and a dynamic panel discussion. Along with the presenters, I am very grateful for the assistance of Archdeacon Nick White and Kathleen Abrahall both in preparation and on the day. Key take outs:

1. possibilities for social enterprise opportunities which our agencies can help enable
2. be open to the difference such opportunities can make in the lives of both volunteers and participants
3. COVID-19 only makes it more important for us to be exploring how we can engage and be a blessing to our communities and networks.

Contact Nick White Archdeacon for Parish Partnerships if you want to find out more.



HOW CLERGY CAN SERVE THEIR COMMUNITIES

St George's East Ivanhoe

In **this video**, Fr John Sanderson speaks with community leaders about how clergy can serve their communities. While these people are not church-goers or even necessarily Anglicans, their wisdom can teach us all lessons that can be applied across the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne and beyond as we slowly begin to emerge from this time of pandemic. Many thanks to Chis Shearer was instrumental in filming and editing.

– *The Reverend John Sanderson*



RESEARCH INTO CLERGY EXPERIENCE OF FUNERALS DURING COVID-19

University of Divinity

Your participation is invited in a research project from the University of Divinity into clergy experience of taking funerals during the COVID pandemic.

If you would be interested in being interviewed for this research, please email Dr Eleanor Flynn at dremflynn@gmail.com by 30th October to express your interest and register. You would then be sent more information about the project.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN RESPONSE AND PREVENTION TRAINING NOW ONLINE

For more information and to register click here

With the right knowledge and skills, church leaders can play an important and influential role in preventing violence against women and supporting people who experience family violence.

In light of this and current circumstances, the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne's Preventing Violence Against Women Program has translated its training day to a specialised online training program to equip church leaders for this task.

The Program consists of the following interactive online training sessions:

Session	Date	Timing
Session 1 Responding to violence against women	Saturday 7 November	9.30am – 12.30pm
Session 2 Preventing violence against women	Saturday 21 November	9.30am – 12.30pm



Please note: participants must attend both sessions. If more than one person is coming from your church, please aim to book at the same time to ensure you all secure a place as the training days are filling up quickly. If you have any questions, please contact Robyn Boosey, the Diocese of Melbourne's Preventing Violence Against Women Program Manager via rboosey@melbourneanglican.org.au.

Click here for this weeks' video message from the Archbishop

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