



# The Abbey Church Epistle

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## July–August 2019

Peace. What a beautiful sounding word it is. It brings to mind vistas of still lakes, surrounded by ancient trees, overshadowed by ancient mountains; or perhaps a beautiful garden of flowers on a Summer afternoon with a small breeze stirring the soft green grass.

All wonderful things of Nature are sent to help us find that illusive Angel of Peace. We are triune in Nature – body, soul and spirit and to live a balanced life of peace, all these parts of us must be in tune with the great Chord of Life that responds through all of Creation, emanating from the Creator of it All.

Although Peace is all around us, how difficult it is to manifest it in our day to day lives. We become so caught up with our illusion of reality that we fail to see the Great Reality that lies behind our shadow world, and isn't that one of the underlying causes of our lack of Peace? God's Peace comes from deep within us, and flows out to others like a mighty river. This Peace is not found in the outer world. It is found in the inner world of mind, soul and heart. God's spirit within us supplies that Divine Peace that is everlasting. It is a Peace that we can all experience if we turn within ourselves, to the Fountain of Peace. A peace that is freely given without restraint, a Peace we can experience if we choose to.

At any moment of trial, perplexity, or worry we can choose to see Peace instead of Fear, and to a great extent as least, we can make a conscious choice to achieve this by using our will power. We don't have to be tossed up and down like a tiny boat in the great storm of life. We can choose with God's help, to see things differently. Salvation and Peace is just one step away from us all. That calm haven of God's Presence within us shines like a lighthouse of love sending a pathway of Light across the troubled waters to direct us to our true home.

AS we move towards the Festival of Peace on 4th August may the Angel of Peace come to dwell in our world and in our hearts.. May our work be blessed as we prepare for our Symposium to promote world Peace and understanding on 15th August.. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Love and Peace, Fr George



## JULY

13/14 Abbey

Medieval Tournament

21 Sunday Services

**21 Church BBQ**

25 Benediction 7pm

28 Sunday Services and  
Discussion Evening



## August

4 **Peace Sunday**

8 Benediction 7pm

11 Sunday Services

14 Morning Prayer

15 SYMPOSIUM

22 Benediction 7pm

24 Abbey Museum Trivia  
Night

25 Sunday Services

Evensong 6pm followed  
by Discussion Evening

## September

**1 Spring Outdoor**

**Eucharist 9.30am**

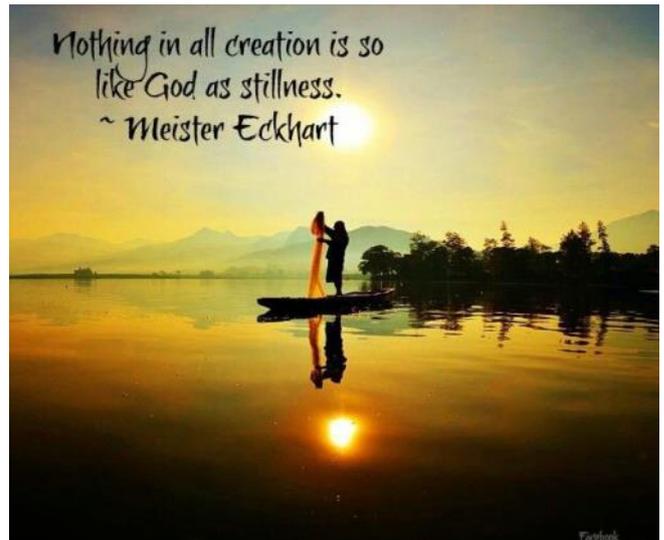
**The Divine Light burning on the Altar after our special Services on 24th June. May we be inspired each day to spread and share our own inner Divine Light.**



The present moment is the only moment available to us, and it is the door to all moments



Thanks to all those in our congregation who continue to contribute towards our Organ Appeal. We have raised \$17,440 so far. God bless you for your generosity.



Our Multi Faith Centre is a member of The Queensland Faith Community Council (QFCC) and Churches Together. This enables us to promote and support all the events held throughout the year special to the various faith traditions. Below is an invitation from the Bahá'í Community of Brisbane.

## Celebration of the Bicentenary of the Birth of the Bab

The Bahá'í Community of Brisbane warmly invites you to be guests at a celebration honouring the Bicentenary of the Birth of the Báb.

Date **Saturday, 9 November 2019**  
Time **7:30 pm (doors open at 7:00 pm)**  
Details **1 hour program followed by refreshments**  
Place **Brisbane Bahá'í Centre of Learning, 26 Mayneview Street, Milton**

RSVP by **11 October 2019** to [bahai.interfaith@radius.com.au](mailto:bahai.interfaith@radius.com.au)  
or by phone to the Secretariat at 07 3367 3303

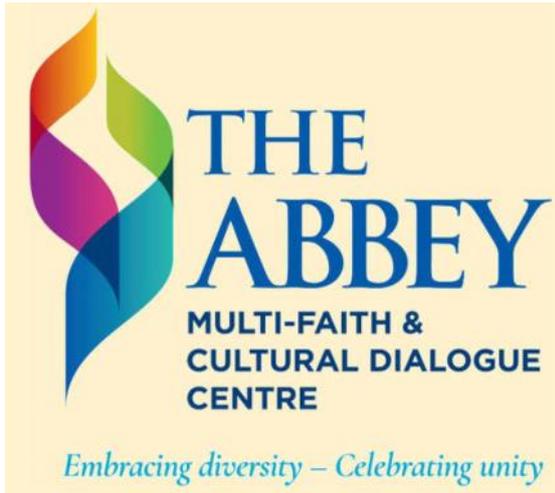
The Báb was a prophetic figure whose short and dramatic ministry prepared the way for the coming of Bahá'u'lláh, the Prophet-Founder of the Bahá'í Faith. The transformative power of Bahá'u'lláh's teachings is reflected in our activities today, which seek to contribute towards a vibrant and inclusive multicultural community.

The Bahá'í Faith has been present in Australia since 1920, and there are now Bahá'ís in all parts of the country. You may recall that in 2017 we celebrated the Bicentenary of the Birth of Bahá'u'lláh. This year we are celebrating the Bicentenary of the Birth of the Báb.

We hope that you will be able to attend this occasion, which is naturally very significant in the history of our community.

Should you require any further information, please email [bahai.bicentenary@radius.com.au](mailto:bahai.bicentenary@radius.com.au) or contact Richard Norman on 0418 788 803.

Please come along to our own special event on 15th August All details below.



## **1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Interfaith & Cultural Dialogue Symposium 2019**

### **INVITATION**

**The Abbey Multi-Faith and Cultural Dialogue Centre  
presents**

### **“Understanding each other’s Faith and Cultural Tradition”**

The event provides the opportunity for local Faith Communities, Churches, Charity Groups, Schools, Colleges and Civic Authorities to learn about different faiths and cultural traditions.

The Symposium is exploring possibilities of how different faiths and cultural traditions in the wider Moreton Bay and Caboolture region could become a model of religious and civic peace.

An exploratory workshop will examine the possibility of establishing a permanent *Moreton Bay Multi-Faith and Cultural Dialogue Network*.

**Everyone is welcome to attend this special Anniversary Symposium**

**Venue: THE ABBEY HALL, 1-63 THE ABBEY PLACE CABOOLTURE**

**DATE: THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2019, 9:00am to 4:30pm**

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Seek more opportunities to put love into the world. Marianne Williamson

### CHURCH NEWS

Our Discussion evenings have been very successful this year and are held in the warmth of the side room since the beginning of Winter.

Topics for the rest of the year are:

**JULY 28** How do we create peace in the world.?

**AUGUST 25** What is the purpose of life?

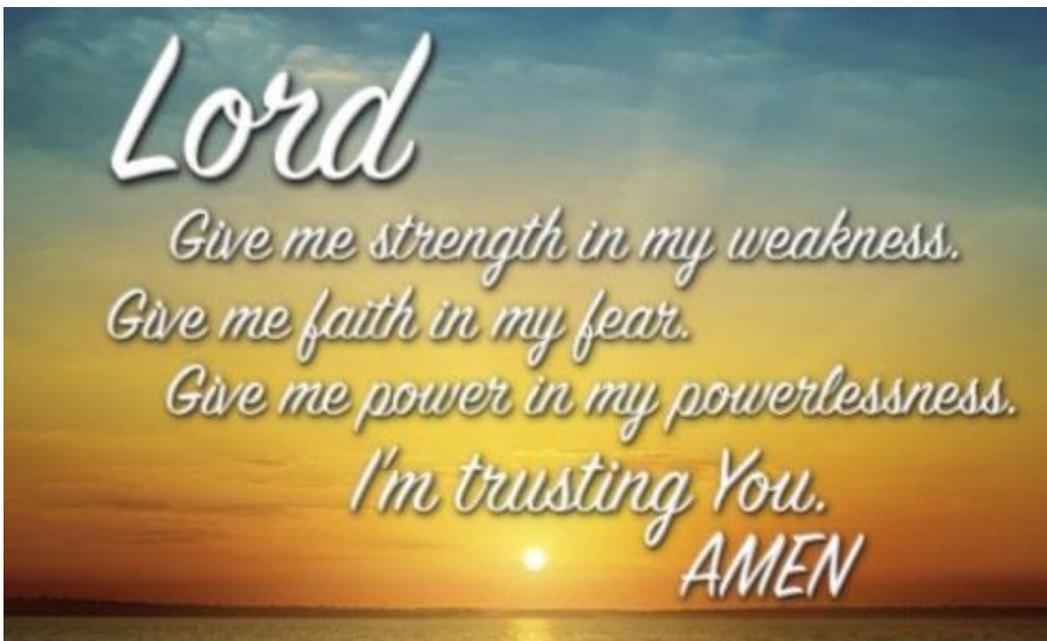
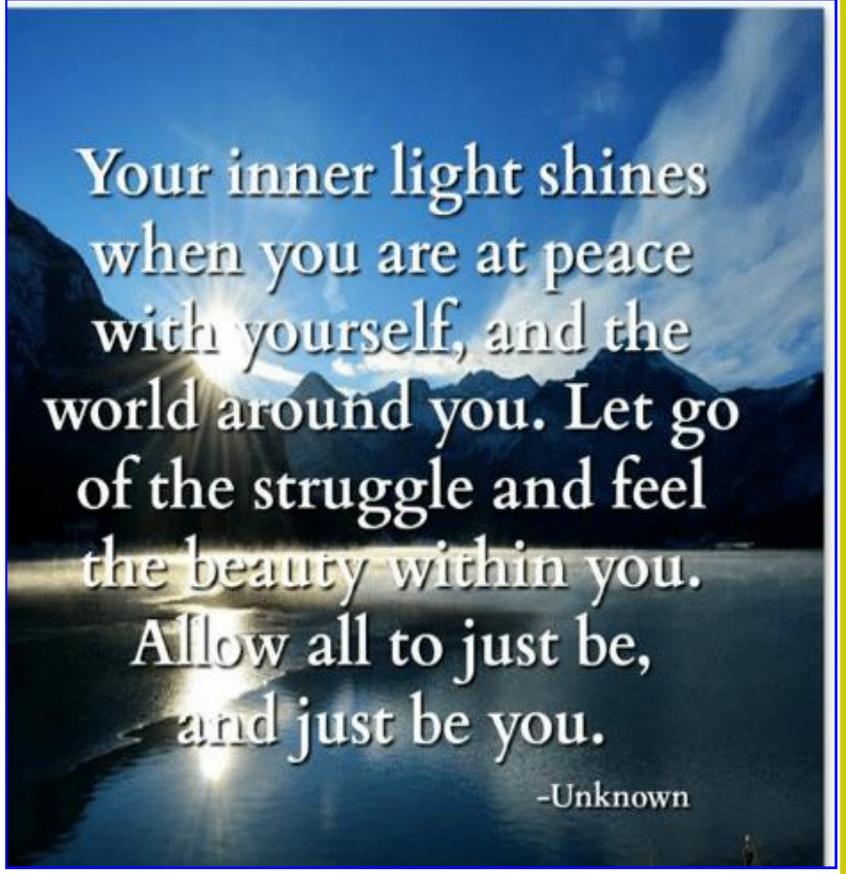
**SEPTEMBER 29** What right do we have to defend ourselves?

**OCTOBER 27** The kingdom of God is within you. What does this mean?

**NOVEMBER 24** Do my actions create my future?

### Join Us In Prayer

We continue to pray for ALL those who are sick. Please send light and healing to all those on our prayer list especially for Robyn Hannelt who is on our hearts at this time



Listen to the Inner Light It will guide you  
Listen to the Inner Peace It will feed you  
Listen to the Inner Love It will transform you

