



Anglican Diocese of Newcastle

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Morpeth Lecture Tonight

The Right Reverend Greg Thompson, Bishop of Newcastle, will explore concepts of 'closing the gap' and reconciliation for First Australians at the annual Morpeth Lecture to be held at Christ Church Cathedral tonight.

Bishop Greg Thompson spent seven years as Bishop of the Northern Territory, and previously 10 years working in community organisations and parish ministries in the 'top end'.

In the Morpeth Lecture, Bishop Greg will reflect on his experiences in the Territory and discuss our relationships with First Australians.

"History shows our relationships with First Australians have been two-faced. There is another way," Bishop Greg said.

"What sort of relationship do we all want and need with the First Australians? How can we heal together, and progress from an infantile relationship to one more positive?"

Presented in collaboration with The University of Newcastle, the 2014 Morpeth Lecture will be held on Wednesday 23 July at 5.45pm in Christ Church Cathedral, Newcomen Street, Newcastle.

The community is welcome to attend this public lecture, and [registrations](#) are now open.

The Morpeth Lecture was established in 1967 to celebrate the partnership between the University of Newcastle and the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle. The name of the Morpeth Lecture comes from the College of St John the Evangelist at Morpeth, the previous ministry training and education centre of the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle.

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When: Wednesday 23 July

Time: 5:45pm

Where: Christ Church Cathedral, Newcomen Street, Newcastle

Cost: Free

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