

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost 24th October, 2021



8.00am – Sung Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson 9.30am – Holy Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson

[All hymns are from Together in Song unless otherwise specified.]

Prayer and anointing for healing are available at each Eucharist. If you would like prayer and anointing, please move in front of the step, at the left side of the altar, after receiving communion and a priest will come and minister to you.

Fr. Roy writes: Here we are after about 4 months in lockdown with some degree of freedom including attendance at Church services of worship. This does not mean that the worship ever ceased during this time. The worship of God continued day by day among our parishioners in whatever part of the house or outside in the garden that became the area in which you worshipped the Lord your God day by day.

I am sure that the time has come when all people should be concerned about Creation generally and of this planet that we know as earth or the world, and to leave it in a satisfactory state for the continuation of life here for future generations. It is time to think, talk and act about our habits of energy consumption. Time is running out if we are to have a greener future. This is not a political issue. It is an issue of our making. Creation is of God's making and it is our responsibility to restore it with God's help to bring it back for future generation. "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth."

As we come back to worship in the Church of the Holy Trinity at the Holy Eucharist for the first time in months, we are celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and the new life that this event brought and still brings to the world. Allow the Holy Spirit to brood over the new Creation in Christ that will not only concern the issue of climate change and energy consumption. It includes, also, the issue of landscape destruction due to nature's actions and human intervention and the loss of natural flora and fauna in areas in our country where the flora and fauna existed naturally. This is not the case now because of humanities' greed and lack of concern for God's creation.

What, then, can we do around climate change and energy consumption along with the other issues about which I have written? The answer to the questions is yours as you "free the Holy Spirit who empowers us to forgive, to speak to and understand the stranger, to build a community of mutual creative service, and to enter into the fullest intimacy with the God who loves us so passionately and unceasingly." (Rowan Williams, 2020).

Thank you for your prayers and concern for Maureen following a fall and a week in hospital. Since then, she returned to hospital for three days. She is now home, considerably weaker but improving daily and receiving plenty of attention.

Keep well, keep safe, keep social distancing, and wear a mask and the blessing of God be upon you and on all who you love and pray for and may your days and nights be holy, good, and peaceful. AMEN.

Sentence

The redeemed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion wih singing; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.

Isaiah 51.11

Prayer of the Day

O God,

you give light to the blind and comfort to the sorrowing, and in your Son you have given us a High Priest who has offered the true sacrifice for us and yet can sympathise with us in our weakness: hear the cry of your people and lead us home to our true country, where with your Son and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**.

A reading from Jeremiah Chapter 31 verses 7 – 9

For thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, `Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel.'

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame,

those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,

and with consolations I will lead them back,

I will let them walk by brooks of water,

in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel,

and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

1 When the Lord turned again the fortunes of Zion: then were we like those restored to life.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter: and our tongue with singing.

3 Then said they among the heathen: 'The Lord has done great things for them.'

4 Truly the Lord has done great things for us: and therefore we rejoiced.

5 Turn again our fortunes, O Lord: as the streams return to the dry south.

6 Those who sow in tears: shall reap with songs of joy.

7 They that go out weeping, bearing the seed: shall come again in gladness, bringing their sheaves with them.

A reading from Hebrews Chapter 7 verses 21 – 28

but this one became a priest with an oath, because of the one who said to him,

'The Lord has sworn

and will not change his mind,

"You are a priest for ever" '-

accordingly Jesus has also become the guarantee of a better covenant.

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

> Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

> > Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

For the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please pray for:

Des Matthews, Tania Howlett, David Lamb, Gloria Townsend, Val Stratford, Irene Neville, Graeme Patterson and Margaret Hassall.

Samaritans

Samaritans opened last Friday. They need: tin vegetables, long life milk, tin tomatoes, spaghetti, baked beans and jam.

Margaret Maclachlan.

'Whispers of Love' Meditation

(Resumes Monday 25th October 2021)

Reflection:

In "Word made flesh" John Main writes

To learn to be silent is to say your mantra (either a word from scripture or the well known '*maranatha' come Lord Jesus come* and keep saying it. So do not fear to leave your thoughts behind.do not go back to your ideas or imaginations. Leave them to one side and say your mantra. When we meditate in this tradition we enter into this same silence and it makes us one with Jesus in God.

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

Prayer of the week

Almighty and everlasting God, give to us the increase in faith, hope and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us to love what you command: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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Job 42.1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34.1-8;
Hebrews 7.21-28; Mark 10.46-52

Bartimaeus' cries as he sat by the roadside were a prayer from the heart. Unrehearsed, not from a prayer book, raw and desperate. They could not be ignored and when faced with opposition, they grew louder. Our faith calls for moments of desperation such as this when we shout out unrehearsed to Jesus and our faith makes us well. What roadside are you sitting by and what cloak do you need to throw off?

- We give thanks that Jesus is abundant in mercy and that he does not ignore our cries for help.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

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<u> 31st October – Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost</u>

Next Sunday 31st October, 2021 – Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince

9.30am – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson

Readings: Deuteronomy 6, 1-9, Psalm 119. 1-8, Hebrews 9.11-15, **Gospel:** Mark 12.13-17, 28-34

This Week

Monday 25th October LUKE, EVANGELIST AND MARTYR

Tuesday 26th October

Wednesday 27th October

Thursday 28th October SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES AND MARTYRS

Friday 29th October

Saturday 30th October

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