

**Welcome to worship at
Holy Trinity, Terrigal
Christ the King, Last Sunday after
Pentecost
21st November, 2021**



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

Organist – Chris Sillince

Hymns: TIS 228, 216, 133, 231

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

Organist – Sharon Sandstrom

Hymns: TIS 228, 216, 133, 231

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.

BAPTISM

Today at 11am we welcome Airli Michelle Bennett into the Body of Christ through the Holy Sacrament of Baptism. Welcome to Airli's parents, Bradley and Brooke, and to the Godparents, families and friends who gather for this happy occasion today.

Fr Roy writes: How have you coped with the lifting of the recent lockdown? I trust that it has enabled you to meet with relations, friends and other people while keeping social distancing and attend Sunday worship as was your attendance prior to the lockdown. This probably means that you are spending less time at home than during the lockdown asking yourself, "What can I do next. Oh, I know, I'll pray for my family and friends, by name and further afield to include peace, the sick who are named in our Sunday Bulletin and others known to us and unknown, world leaders, medical researchers and so the list continues, in Intercessory Prayer".

What, then, is Intercessory Prayer? It is the act holding before God other people and causes with love and persistence. Love in this context reflects God's love for that person or cause, God's love for you and your love for that person or cause. Persistence in prayer is not an option for a Christian. Somehow, it seems that God who knows what is needed, needs us to hold the world's and people's needs in our prayers with persistence to advance God's kingdom in the world. We advance God's kingdom in the world as we continue to pray for the five people by name who do not appear to follow the Way of Jesus in their daily lives.

I am now being personal in some of my experiences in relation to intercessory prayer with a view that they may help you in some of your difficulties with this kind of prayer.

First, **persistence:** In the parish church in which I grew up there was an elderly retired lady who had been an overseas missionary. When the Rector announced one Sunday morning that I was to enter theological college to study for the priesthood she came to

me on the way out and said, "Thank God for what you are doing. I have prayed for that for years for you." Now that is persistence in prayer for you. I am still working as a priest and writing to you. Again, on one of many occasions I was having trouble with my prayer life and I told my spiritual director about the problem to which he replied, "My boy, don't give up. Old Nick will laugh like the very devil if you give up. He will have won the fight this time." Once more persistence pays off.

Secondly, **persistent discretion:** During the London blitz of the Second World War Underground railway station platforms were used as air raid shelters as well as stations for troop trains to pick up soldiers to be despatched overseas. Brother Charles, an Anglican Franciscan friar, used to frequent these stations with his violin to entertain the people on the platform for days and nights on end. I met him a few years later and he told me part of his story. As he mingled among the crowd on the platform, he met many members of the soldiers' family who asked Brother Charles to pray for the soldier who was leaving for overseas service. He finished up with pockets full of pieces of paper with the name of a particular soldier written on the paper. To pray for each person as an individual became a very time-consuming operation that prevented him doing other things for the people he met, until one day as he took a bundle out of his pocket a gust of wind came and blew most of the papers away with no chance of retrieving them. He said that the moral of the story is that it is better to pray for a small number of persons persistently than a large number without a great deal of thought.

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

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing.

Revelation 5.12

Prayer of the Day

Everlasting God,
whose will is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son,
our Lord and King:
grant that the people of earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together under his gentle
and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from 2 Samuel Chapter 23 verses 1 – 7

Now these are the last words of David:
The oracle of David, son of Jesse,
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,
the anointed of the God of Jacob,
the favourite of the Strong One of Israel:
The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,
his word is upon my tongue.
The God of Israel has spoken,
the Rock of Israel has said to me:
One who rules over people justly,
ruling in the fear of God,
is like the light of morning,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.
Is not my house like this with God?
For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,
ordered in all things and secure.
Will he not cause to prosper
all my help and my desire?

But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away;
for they cannot be picked up with the hand;
to touch them one uses an iron bar
or the shaft of a spear.
And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

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

Psalm 132. Verses 1 – 12

1 Lord, remember David and all his trouble:
how he swore an oath to the Lord,
and vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob;

**2 'I will not enter the shelter of my house:
nor climb into the comfort of my bed;**

3 'I will not give sleep to my eyes:
or slumber to my eyelids,

**4 'Till I find out a place for the ark of the Lord:
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob.'**

5 Lo, we heard of it at Ephrathah:
we found it in the fields of Ja-ar.

**6 Let us go to the place of his dwelling:
let us fall upon our knees before his footstool.**

7 Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place:
you, and the ark of your might.

**8 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness:
and let your faithful ones shout for joy.**

9 For the sake of David your servant:
do not turn away the face of your anointed.

**10 The Lord has sworn to David:
an oath which he will not break;**

11 'One who is the fruit of your body:
I will set upon your throne.

**12 'If your children will keep my covenant
and the commands which I teach them:
their children also shall sit upon your throne for ever.'**

**A reading from the book of Revelation
Chapter 1, verses 4b – 8**

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according
to John Chapter 18 verses 33 – 37

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

ADVENT STUDY PROGRAMME

The Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea has invited members of Holy Trinity Parish to their Advent Study Programme, to commence on Friday 26th November at 5.30pm. There are four meetings with the focus on the Scriptures leading up to Christmas. Meetings will be in the church building and last one hour. The format will be a reading, a talk and discussion. Sessions are run by laity. If you are interested or wish further information please let Fr Mark know.

Please pray for:

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

EMBER DAYS

Ember Days are set aside for prayers for the ministry of the Church. Our lectionary has designated Tuesday, 23rd November to Monday 29th November as Ember Days. The following prayer may be used on each of the Ember Days. "Ember" refers to the fire of the Holy Spirit within us being fanned into flame as we live out our faith in witness to Christ and deeds of loving kindness.

Prayer

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts,
by your Holy Spirit you have appointed
various orders of ministry in your Church:
look with mercy and favour on all who are called
to serve you in the sacred ministry,
that they may faithfully serve you
to the glory of your name
and the benefit of your Church and people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Christ the King Sunday

The Christmas Bowl of Remembrance



It's been more than 70 years since Reverend Frank Byatt started the Christmas Bowl. He put a Bowl of Remembrance on his Christmas dinner table and asked his loved ones to place a gift in it to 'share your good dinner with hungry children in other lands'. Please join with us again this Christmas Bowl, as together we share God's love, helping create a world where uprooted people have a safe place to belong. **Please give today.**

CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl

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Women's Fellowship

Monday 13th December Noon. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE for our last meeting this year.

It had to be changed because of another event in the church on 6th.

We will mark the end of the year, with a service in the chapel taken by the Rev'd Ann Watson.. This will be followed by a "bring and share" lunch as part of our Christmas celebrations. We will not be going to Breakers for lunch this year.

We welcome all women to come and enjoy some fun, laughter and fellowship with us

Samaritans – Christmas Items needed

Other than the normal items Samaritans have asked for Christmas items. They need: tin hams, long life custard, tin fruit, fruit salad, puddings and Christmas biscuits.

Margaret Maclachlan.

'Whispers of Love' Meditation

Reflection:

In prayer we see different ways in which we pray such as attending, pondering and responding – are based on the things we are doing. However, prayer is more than what we do. We have another expression of prayer that goes beyond doing. It is prayer as being. Allowing prayer to sink to the level of our very being is the gift of the Spirit from hearing, pondering and responding to God's communication. This is a prayer of shared presence, a prayer of simply being with God.

David G. Benner

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

GARDEN WORKING BEE.

We will be having a working bee on SATURDAY 4th DECEMBER @ 8:30 am. All welcome. Please come & help if you can.

Every small task helps!

Thank you, Jackie Davidson

Prayer of the week before Advent

Stir up, we pray you, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people,
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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Ordinary Sunday 34B [Reign of Christ/Christ the King] – Sunday 21 November 2021

- *Either* 2 Samuel 23.1-7 *or* Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14;
either Psalm 132.1-12 *or* Psalm 93;
Revelation 1.4b-8; John 18.33-37

"So, you are a king?"

Pilate asks Jesus this question, soldiers placed a crown of thorns on Jesus' head, and hailed him as king. The text above Jesus' head on the cross stated: "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews". What say you? He came to teach God's love, he offered his life to save our life, what say you? Is Christ your King?

- Pray that others may see and welcome Christ the King into their hearts also.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Kenya.

Text: Fr Richard Brown
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Rosters for next week –

28th November – First Sunday of Advent

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8.00am – Presiding & Preaching – **Fr Mark Watson**
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Trinity Band and Singers

Readings: Jeremiah 33. 14-16, Psalm 25. 1-10, 1 Thessalonians
3. 9-13, **Gospel:** Luke 21. 25-38

This Week

Monday 22nd November

Tuesday 23rd November

Ember Day

Clement of Rome, bishop and martyr (d. c. 100)

Wednesday 24th November

Ember Day

Prayers for the ministry of the Church

James Noble, pioneer Aboriginal deacon (d.1941)

Thursday 25th November

Ember Day

Friday 26th November

Ember Day

10.30am – Holy Eucharist and morning tea [*Fr Mark*]

Readings – Daniel 7. 2-14, Song of Creation 11-13, Luke 21. 29-33

Saturday 27th November

Ember Day

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