

**The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle
The Parish of Terrigal**



The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost [OS17]



**Anglican Women's Sunday
26th July, 2015**

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity

7.30am - Holy Eucharist - *sung* - [BG/BG] {CS}

9.30am - Holy Eucharist - *said* - [BG/BG] [Trinity band and Singers]

12.00md for 12.30 - Women's Fellowship Luncheon

[Symbols Key - [/] denotes celebrant / preacher; { } denotes musician(s)]

Our Parish Identity

We are the body of Christ. His Spirit is with us.

Our Parish Vision

**We desire to shine as one in Christ
that God's will be done.**

WELCOME to ANGLICAN WOMEN'S SUNDAY

Anglican Women's Prayer

[...to be prayed by Anglican Women present immediately following the processional].

Eternal God,
the light of the minds that know you,
the light of the souls that love you,
and the strength of the wills that serve you;
help us so to know you,
so to love you,
that we may fully serve you -
for to serve you is perfect freedom
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A Prayer of the People

O Lord Heavenly Father bless we pray the women of your church.

Draw us nearer to you that in loyalty and truth
that we may be drawn to one another.

Strengthen us in fellowship of our common service.

Grant to us all faith and courage to bear faithful witness in word and deed
and guide us ever into the ways of peace through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen



**Facing the past
Shaping a healthy future**

The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle is committed to transparency and intentional programmes of review and protocols which promote a caring and safe church environment for all. Further information is available on the following website...***newcastleanglicanhealthyfuture.com***

Additionally parishioners may wish to visit the following link...

<http://newcastleanglicanhealthyfuture.com/join-the-bishop/feedback/using-the-communication-resources/>

A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel

Chapter 11,

verses 1 to 15

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, *'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.'* So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, *'I am pregnant.'*

So David sent word to Joab, *'Send me Uriah the Hittite.'* And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, *'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.'* Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house.

When they told David, *'Uriah did not go down to his house'*, David said to Uriah, *'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?'* Uriah said to David, *'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.'* Then David said to Uriah, *'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.'* So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day.

On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, *'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'*

Hear the word of the Lord / **thanks be to God**

Psalm 14

Fools have said in their hearts 'There is no God':
they have all become vile and abominable in their doings,
there is not one that does good.

**The Lord looked down from heaven
upon the children of Adam:
to see if there were any who would act wisely
and seek after God.**

But they have all turned out of the way,
they have all alike become corrupt:
there is none that does good, no not one.

**Are all the evildoers devoid of understanding:
who eat up my people as they eat bread,
and do not pray to the Lord?**

They shall be struck with terror:
for God is with the company of the righteous.

**Though they frustrate the poor in their hopes:
surely the Lord is their refuge.**

O that deliverance for Israel might come forth from Zion:
when the Lord turns again the fortunes of his people,
then shall Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.

**Glory to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
as in the beginning, so now and forever. Amen**

A Reading from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians Chapter 3, verses 14 to 21.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hear the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John, Chapter 6, verses 1 to 21

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, '**Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?**' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, '*Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.*' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him,

'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?'

Jesus said, **'Make the people sit down.'** Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted.

When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, **'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.'** So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, *'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'*

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, **'It is I; do not be afraid.'** Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

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

Please pray for

Fr. Stephen Pullin, Lionel & Beth, Natalie, Anne and Maureen Hazlewood,
Joel, Will & Marion, Nancy Miller, Stuart Taylor, Marie & Arthur
Shirley Evans, Bill & Maureen Howard, Judy, Monica, Della

We prayerfully remember

**Eva Williams, Roslyn Frame (nee Gibbs), Leta and Ernest Crawford,
Ernest Doualas Oldaker Crawford (priest)**



ANGLICAN WOMEN

To-day we celebrate Anglican Women and the ministry of all women in our Parish through their faith, love and care which is visible in their work in various roles within the church and community.

The aim of Anglican Women is to unite women throughout the Diocese through worship, learning, fellowship and giving through the **Thank You Box Appeal** which goes to a needy charity each year.

The project of the Thank You Boxes for fundraising is where one can thank God by putting a coin in the box when we wish to thank God for something in our lives or for someone we know.

This year's proceeds go to the **Northern Territory Aboriginal Ministry Fund** until September 2015.

The September 2015/September 2016 Thank You Box Appeal will support **Alzheimer's Australia**.

Would you please pray for **our Anglican Women Diocese President, Mrs Marion Willey**, and the Executive committee, and **our Central Coast leader Mrs Noeline Darcy** that they may carry on God's work through the Anglican Women's movement.

The next gatherings for Anglican Women in the Diocese of Newcastle will be the **Spring Celebrations** during the first week of September. Women of the Central Coast will meet on Friday 7 September at St Luke's Woy Woy for Eucharist, special Guest Speaker and bring-and-share refreshments.

Our Women's Fellowship – part of the Anglican Women Movement - **meet at Holy Trinity on the 2nd Monday of the month at 1pm**. New members are always welcome to join us.

Irene Neville (Anglican Women's Representative).

The Week of Pentecost Nine, 2015

Monday 27th July

10.00am 'Whispers of Love' *[AW]*

Tuesday 28th July

7.00pm - Trinity Band and Singers rehearsal

Wednesday 29th July

9.30am to 12.15pm - Maestro Possums *[Multi-Purpose Room]*

6.30pm - Bible Study *[BG] [Isaiah]*

Thursday 30th July

Friday 31st July

9.15am - 12.00pm - Maestro Possums *[Multi-Purpose Room]*

10.30am - Holy Eucharist *[BG]* and morning tea

Readings - Leviticus 23.1-11,15-16,34-37; Ps 81.1-10; Matthew 13: 54-38

11.45am - Bible Study *[BG]* - *The Gospel of St John*

Saturday 1st August

10.00am – Messy church Meeting

6.00pm – 'Saturday at 6'

HARVEST FESTIVAL - 16th AUGUST 2015

We will be collecting non perishable items over the coming weeks for this.

On the day of the Festival perishable items that can be used at the local Soup Kitchen will be gratefully accepted.

FREEWILL GIVING

PLEASE CONSIDER WEEKLY GIVING BY AUTOMATIC CREDIT PAYMENT

OUR BANK DETAILS ARE: ANGLICAN PARISH OF TERRIGAL

BSB 032-545 ... Parish Westpac Account Number 16-9152

For further details please speak to Treasurer Terry Rowe or another Warden.

WEEKLY GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT REALLY HELPS
PARISH BUDGETING AND TO SECURE OUR FINANCIAL VIABILITY.

From the Rector

As my retirement comes closer I seek to leave the parish with some archival material which may be a helpful record of the some of the realities and outcomes of our ministries together since 2011. In these records are some of the plans which have been openly promulgated and partially undertaken – partially given that no plan is perfectly fulfilled and every plan underway is always an imperfect, dynamic and changing phenomenon.

I think it must be stressed at this point that the material to which I am referring has at no point be promoted as authoritative, mandatory, directive or complete but rather, and hopefully, as helpful, exploratory, indicative, intentionally Bible-based and part of a conversation which can assist the parish **to have a clearer sense of identity and direction and purpose.**

In particular I do believe that we have been, over the last year or so, constantly aware of the hoped-for parish **identity** and **vision** which shapes **the draft parish plan** and which appears on the cover page of the weekly parish bulletin.

The records to which I refer in particular include...

- **The Draft Parish Plan**
- **Some Observations on the Parish of Terrigal – July 2015**
 - **The Rector's Report to the AGM - 2014**
 - **The Rector's Report to the AGM – 2015**

At this time in the parish's journey it may be that the archival material abovementioned may support the process wherein the parish can accurately consider its past, and the realities of the now, whilst waiting upon God's guidance into the future which is His and into which He calls this dynamic and optimistic faith community.

Copies of the Draft Parish Plan will be available for parishioners at this Sunday's Eucharists and thereafter from the sideboard adjacent to the door of the audio-visual control room.

To follow is a section of the document headed - **Some Observations on the Parish of Terrigal – July 2015.** I have written this article as I have considered my experience seeking to serve the parish as rector and thus reflecting upon some significant times and events which I have shared with this faith community.

From the Rector - continued

The section quoted below contains some thoughts which I have regarded as a pivotal Scriptural underpinning for the business of the parish – indeed **our core business informed by the very essence of the Christian character...**

*"In consideration of my endeavours to **affirm and promote a healthy Christ-like culture in the parish, I have sought to explicate, exemplify and call parishioners to relationships and moral choices according to the Biblical attested dynamics of righteousness, justice and mercy - consistently prophesied in the Old Testament and perfected in Jesus.***

*This Biblical treasure demands a commitment to **our prior relationship with God** which renders healing and life and then, bearing the fruits of our divine/human identity, **to evince ethical behaviour** which typically values truth and grace and seeks out the lonely and anxious, the abused and persecuted, the imprisoned, atrophied and marginalised - **so that all vulnerable relationships and all whose lives and beings are at risk might be healed and made whole in Christ.***

*In this context I believe that the notion of **God's justice**, Biblically revealed, is not a matter of forensic analysis, transactional contracts or retribution. Rather, God's justice derives from the capacity, nature and will of God, sublimely revealed in the compassionate work of Jesus, **to acknowledge when we are at risk and to heal, that is to make whole; to save; to render new life!***

*Where we are wounded; where our capacity is atrophied and potential compromised; where we are at risk, then God's justice is about His addressing the cause(s), to effect true wholeness of being. God's merciful response to 'injustice', is healing and hope, announced passionately on the cross of Christ. **And Jesus acts thus because his loving nature means that He can do no other!** He was demonstrably not simply a showman craving attention and status (a common phenomenon in the ancient world) but **Jesus was a man of integrity, truly as one with the wounded and separated.** I believe that our ultimate destiny, even through the grave, and in **penitence and faith**, is perfect healing, human/divine immersion **to be one with Christ.** The glory of God is man (sic) fully alive. [St Irenaeus of Lyon - 2nd Century].*

This Bible-based, theological dynamic (truth, righteousness, justice and mercy) which is perfectly realized and shared in Jesus, must be constantly named, intentionally pursued, deliberately embraced and critically evaluated. Paramountly these matters are not just a noble goal but core business and the very essence of Christian ministry! They go to our identity and cultural experience as the Body of Christ and individually members of it!

In God may we grow into that Christ-like identity and character such that we can be no other than to "do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God" [Micah 6!] - God's blessing in this life.

The call to aspire to understand, to yearn for and to grow towards Christ-like healing behaviour is reflected in my 2014 and 2015 AGM Reports. In particular, I have asked and encouraged parishioners to own our Christian identity as the Body of Christ and our subsequent challenge to be gracious and generous of spirit and to understand that any division within and breaching of relationships is antithetical to our identity as the Body of Christ. It is unjust and must be addressed when it occurs! Given our Christian identity and consequent character it makes no sense to serve self, to lust for power and status, nor to bully, lie, abuse or atrophy.

Thus it follows that it is contradictory and offensive to act in self-serving ways, especially in pursuit of personal power and influence and most particularly when such behaviours causes pain, suffering and injustice to others; when they atrophy the dignity and growth of our neighbours; and give no honour to the nature, will and sovereignty of God. They are the converse of God's nature and truth and His eternal call to righteousness, justice and mercy. I ponder when such unjust behaviours become blasphemous!

Specifically in terms of parish ministry, growing towards a Christ-like identity which repudiates deception, injustice, dishonesty and unrighteousness, I believe this means naming and encouraging a culture built relationally under God. Prayerfully, our ethical heart and responses ought then be a natural and co-existent corollary. In Christ we can do no other!"

Sermon Material - Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

Feeding the Five Thousand

^{6.30} The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Healing the Sick in Gennesaret

^{6.53} When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Reflections upon the Markan Gospel – Chapter 6

6.30 - The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.'

The Common Lectionary, which we follow Sunday by Sunday, has directed us to the Markan Gospel and the writer's account of the sufferings of Jesus. He is rejected by his own people in Nazareth [Mark 6.1-6]. Then He goes among the vilages teaching and sends out his disciples to proclaim the Gospel, to call people to repentance and to exorcise and heal. And He gives some important advice which was to serve them in their apostolate and, in due course, us in our own ministry - **when we are rejected in our ministries...do not carry the guilt of others, nor be overwhelmed by prejudice, nor accept responsibilities for the decisions of others. Be true to God and His gospel, and move on!**

After this episode in chapter 6 of Mark we read of the macabre death of John the Baptist. Whereas the disciple's missionary experiences at this stage seem unremarkable, or at least little is attested, the cutting-edge ministries of both Jesus and John the Baptist have generated rejection and indeed hostility

Sermon Material - Mark 6.30-34, 53-56 - continued

Following Mark's account of the beheading of John the Baptist Mark introduces the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand which includes the first section of the the extract for Ordinary Sunday 16 (as above). This introduction takes up from the return of the apostles from their missionary "apprenticeship". It is instructive that the setting for what follows is the rejection of Jesus in Nazareth, that Jesus and his disciples are in the region of Nazareth, that he calls his disciples into a deserted place and that a crowd of curious Nazarenes follow from a distance. The following material is drawn from John J. Pilch's *The Cultural World of Jesus* [The Liturgical Press, Collegeville Minnesota, 1996 – pp112-115)

Consider the situation. In 1st Century Palestine there were only three or four cities the size of Jerusalem.

By contrast Nazareth was a population of somewhere between 50 to 150 people. In these times small communities cared for each other; but this also meant your business as everybody's and everybody knows your business. Privacy was an issue!

And so – ³¹[Jesus] said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while. For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat.

Jesus wanted to spend some quite time with his disciples and TO SHARE A MEAL. So he invited them to come away to a deserted place, In the New Testament the Greek word translated as a 'deserted place' meant an UNINHABITED PLACE, probably remote.

Jesus wanted to share a meal with his disciples after a time of separation during which the disciples exercised mission under his authority. And in ancient Palestinian times a meal was no superficial experience – contrarily, meals were leisurely **AND THE RENEWAL AND STRENGTHENING OF BONDS.**

JESUS VALUED AND CREATED OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEEPENING RELATIONSHIPS.

Sermon Material - Mark 6.30-34, 53-56 - continued

³³*Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them.*

In the small rural communities of Bible times such communities were deeply interwoven and many were very aware of the comings and goings of others. And so when the recently rejected Jesus was seen leaving with his disciples to go into a “deserted place” curiosities were aroused...what did this disrespected man want with his disciples? why did they seek solitude? what nefarious activities might they be engaging in? Many followed!

And so - a large crowd ended up in this deserted place

³⁴*As [Jesus] went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and **he had compassion** for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.*

J. Pilch observes “The HBW word compassion’ derives from the word for ‘womb’....The term was considered a female value and virtue.”

As Jesus beholds this crowd in the deserted place he sees vulnerable men and women now afar from their kin and the securities of village and home. He sees humankind in pursuit of who knows what taking risks with their own well-being. Indeed in ancient times deserted places were often believed to be the lairs of vagabonds and criminal and even demons and evil spirits. Yet despite their follies and because they were at risk and vulnerable**JESUS, FROM THE DEPTHS OF HIS PERSONAL CHARACTER EMBRACES THE PEOPLE AS A MOTHER EMBRACES HER CHILDREN - PROTECTING, CARING...SAVING...FOR HE CAN DO NO OTHER.** In well rehearsed Biblical terms he is righteous, just and merciful.

He extravagantly embraces the relationship which he feels for humanity and his nature which is to be where we are at risk – even though we often take ourselves to that place for the least of reasons – and he overwhelms that which would ultimately degrade and destroy us. He embraces us in the God-given womb of new beginnings

Jesus miraculously feeds the crowd; he strengthens their bonds; he recognizes their needs and meets them – see Mark 6.53ff and this prefigured the institution of the Lord’s supper and God’s nurture, protection and rebirth in crucifixion, resurrection, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

(The Reverend Canon) Brian Gibbs

Next Sunday – 2nd August, 2015 - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

7.30am - Holy Communion [sung][BG/BG] {Chris Sillince}

9.30am – Baptism in Holy Communion – Zoe Isabel McAdam [said] [BG/BG]
{ S. Sandstrom}

Eucharistic Readings:

2 Samuel 11.26-12,13a; Ps 51.1-12; Ephesians 4.1-16; John 6.24-35

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2015

Sunday 2nd August -9.30am – Baptism in Eucharist

Sunday 2nd August – 6.00pm - Parish Dinner at the Bowlo

Tuesday 4th August – 2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist [AW]

Saturday 8th August – 8.00am - Garden Working Bee

Sunday 9th August - Fr. Brian and Margaret Gibbs' last Sunday/special M. Tea

Monday 10th August – 1.00pm - Women's Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday 11th August – 7.00pm - Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 12th August – 10.00am - Tarragal House Eucharist/ Concert [BG]

Thursday 13th August – 10.00am - Pastoral Care Meeting

Thursday 13th August – Samaritans Link Day

Friday 14th August – Fr Brian's last day in the Parish

Friday 14th August – 1.00pm – Preparation for Market Day

Saturday 15th August – 8.00am - Market Day

Saturday 15th August – 9.30am-3.30pm – 2015 Diocesan Convention

Sunday 16th August – Harvest Festival – see separate notice

Sunday 16th August - 3.30-5.30pm - Messy Church

Tuesday 18th August – 1.00pm – Coffee & Craft

Tuesday 18th to 20th - Diocesan Leader's Conference

Wednesday 19th August -10.30am - Eucharist at the Nursing Home (Aurum)

Thursday 20th August – 10.00am – Eucharist at The Pod (Aurum) [AW]

Sunday 23rd August -4.00pm – Farewell for Fr. Brian and Margaret Gibbs

Wednesday 26th August -2.00pm- Interdenominational Serv.Tarragal Manor

Tuesday 1st September - 2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist [AW]

Saturday 5th September - 10.00am - Messy Church Meeting

Sunday 6th September – 6.00pm – Parish Dinner at the Bowlo

Tuesday 8th September - 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 9th September –10.00am -Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert [AW]

Thursday 10th September 10.00am – Pastoral Care Meeting

Thursday 11th September – 11.00am – Samaritans Link Day

Saturday 12th September - 8.00am - Spring Garden Working Bee

Friday 23rd to Sunday to 25th October - Diocesan Synod

MISSION REPORT – 26th JULY 2015

Mission to Seafarers

On Wednesday 15th July, I drove up to Newcastle to visit the Mission to Seafarers centre.

I was very warmly welcomed by Meryl McCosker, who is the wife of the Catholic Chaplain, Rick McCosker. Meryl gave me a tour of the centre. The outdoor area, has had a beautiful mural painted onto the neighbouring concrete brick wall, enhancing the area, and making it a far more appealing and restful area for people to enjoy. There is also a sorting area, where the books and magazines are bundled together, in readiness to be taken to the ships.

Two volunteers come to the centre each week to prepare meals which can be frozen, so that meals are always readily available.

The Chapel is currently undergoing renovations, with assistance through the skills training/work for the dole benefits scheme. This is progressing slowly.

The centre was very much in need of beanies, and Meryl immediately placed one bag of beanies straight into the receptacle at the centre. Chaplains Rick McCosker and Garry Dodd thanked the parish for their tremendous response to our Beanie Appeal. They inquired about how our parish had promoted the mission.

The beanies are also distributed all year round, and especially at Christmas time, they are part of a Christmas gift, which those visiting the boats will take with them in a bag which has a beanie, men's toiletries, magazine, book, pen, socks, etc.....to each of the seafarers.

The centre is currently in need of men's warm clothing, and also seek magazines and books as well, and beanies.

It was good to know just how much the centre appreciates the generosity of our parishioners, and the parishioners from the other church centres throughout the Diocese.

Once again, a very big thank you to all who contributed to the wonderful response to the Mission to Seafarers this year.

World Vision

This week the Parish acknowledges and celebrates **Siraj's birthday**.

Siraj's is one of the World Vision children that the Parish sponsors. The birthday greetings help create a special memory for the child. The ongoing support means that Siraj's has the opportunity, potential, and hope for the the future to continue to grow. The sponsorship enables him to grow up healthily, and live a full and happy life.

This year, our Parish birthday card to Siraj has had a message sent from the Messy Church family. The message sent will be translated for Siraj to read.

Thank you to all who continually contribute towards the sponsorship of the World Vision Children, Siraj and Djbril.

There is a small donation container, located on the sides person table in the Gathering Space. Donations are always immensely appreciated.

Coralie Taylor – Mission Secretary.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO
the 2015 DIOCESAN CONVENTION**

Saturday 15th August 9.30 to 3.30pm

Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College

Keynote addresses by Dr. Janet Smith from The Centre of Courage and Renewal

Morning tea provided. Lunch is available \$20 per person.

RSVP by Wednesday 5th August using the Lunch Order form

(available from the office) together with your payment of \$20 per head.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

Tuesday 4th August, 2015, 7.30pm - 9.00pm

The Grange Hotel Function Room

Cnr: Renwick St & Pacific Hwy, WYOMING

Guest Speakers: Peter Kane and Margaret Douglass

SUNDAY 9th AUGUST – SPECIAL MORNING TEA

As some parishioners may not be able to be present at our thank you celebration for Fr. Brian and Margaret, we will also be having a special morning tea after the 9.30am service. We would love assistance with plates of slices, sandwiches or cakes. **Don't plan to leave early!**

THANK YOU FOR FR BRIAN AND MARGARET

An afternoon for Terrigal Parish family has been organised by Parish Council to formally thank and enjoy the company of Fr Brian and Margaret.

VENUE: SPLASH AT TERRIGAL TROJANS CLUB

DATE: 23RD AUGUST 2015

TIME: 4:00PM

COST: \$10 per person (subsidised by PC)

A list is on the notice board for you to leave your name. Payment can be given to Wardens or Parish Councillors and this can be done from this Sunday.

If you wish to attend and have a problem with transport please let us know so we can organise getting you there.

We will be collecting funds for a farewell gift for Fr Brian and Margaret you can leave this in an envelope marked "Farewell Gift for Fr Brian and Margaret "and given to Parish Council members or left in the offertory plate on any Sunday.

Kyara Newport on behalf of Parish Councillors.

PARISH DINNER AT TERRIGAL BOWLO NEXT SUNDAY 2nd AUGUST at 6.00pm

For catering purposes please place your name on the sign up sheet on the notice board, If you haven't been before please join us!

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP SOUP, SANDWICH & SWEETS LUNCHEON

TODAY at 12md for 12.30pm - Cost \$10

Sign up sheet on noticeboard for catering purposes.

Wonderful raffle for you to purchase tickets as well!

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The liturgical text we are using for this service is from *A Prayer Book for Australia* (Sydney: Broughton Books, 1995) © 1995, The Anglican Church of Australia Trusts Corporation, 1996 and used with permission - ePray licence No.230

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We offer many opportunities for meeting together ...
to worship and pray; to study Scripture and theology; to share fellowship, caring and support; and to celebrate real relationships which are divinely life-giving.

These opportunities normally include ...

Sunday Worship at Holy Trinity

7.30am - Sung Eucharist and 9.30am – Said Eucharist

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month - Evensong –In recess

3rd Sunday in the month - Messy Church

between 3.30pm and 5.30pm

Weekly Worship at Holy Trinity

Friday at 10.30am - Eucharist

1st Tuesday at 2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist

2nd Wednesday at 10.00am - Tarragal House Eucharist/concert

3rd Wednesday at 10.30am - The Nursing Home Eucharist

[Aurrum]

3rd Thursday at 10.00am - Eucharist at The Pod [Aurrum]

VARIOUS PARISH MINISTRIES

'Whispers of Love' - a meditation (*Monday at 10.00am*); **Women's Fellowship** (*2nd Monday at 1.00pm*); **Coffee and Craft** (*3rd Tuesday at 1.00pm*); **Parish Council** (*2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm*); **Trinity Band** (Rehearsal - Tuesday at 7.00pm) (Playing at the 9.30am Sunday - 2nd and 4th Sundays); **Sacred Reading** (Wednesday at 5.30pm-In recess till August); **Bible Study** (Wednesday at 6.45pm); **Pastoral Care** (2nd Thursday at 10.00am); **Bible Study** (Friday at 11.30am); **Messy Church Planning Meeting** (1st Saturday at 10.00am) ; **Gardening** (2nd Saturday from 8.00am); **Market Day** (3rd Saturday from 8.00am)

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and each Saturday from 10.00am to 1.00pm