



Fourth Sunday of Advent

20th December, 2015

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity

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

9.30am - Holy Eucharist - *said* - [Fr.R/AW]{S. Sandstrom }

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.**

A Reading from the Book of Micah Chapter 5, verse 2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labour has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of
the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;
and he shall be the one of peace.

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

For the Psalm : Song of Mary

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord:
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

**Who has looked with favour on his lowly servant:
From this day all generations will call me blessed.**

The Almighty has done great things for me:
and holy is his name.

**God has mercy on those who fear him:
from generation to generation.**

The Lord has shown strength with his arm:
and scattered the proud in their conceit,

**Casting down the mighty from their thrones:
and lifting up the lowly.**

God has filled the hungry with good things:
and sent the rich away empty.

**He has come to the aid of his servant Israel:
to remember the promise of mercy,**

The promise made to our forebears:
to Abraham and his children for ever.

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

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews Chapter 10, verses 5 to 10;

Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,
*'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;
in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings
you have taken no pleasure.*

Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God"
(in the scroll of the book it is written of me).'

When he said above, *'You have neither desired nor taken
pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt-offerings and sin-
offerings'* (these are offered according to the law), then he
added, *'See, I have come to do your will.'* He abolishes the first
in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we
have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus
Christ once for all.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

SACRED READING

Sacred Reading's last bible study was Wednesday 16th December 2015

This group will resume Wednesday 13th January 2016

Confirmation will appear in the Pew Bulletin the week before.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke, Chapter 1, verses 39–45.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, '*Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.*'

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Please pray for

Fr. Stephen Pullin, Fr. Roy, Natalie, Anne and Maureen Hazlewood,
Joel, Merv & Joan Singh, Libby Harvey, Ilara, Rachel,
Martin & Jewel Collett & Family, Robert Vallance,

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Christine and Rudi De Gans
on the birth of their new granddaughter Cove Ava Cook.



Sunday 20th - Messy Christmas

3.30 - 5.30 pm All Welcome!

Please join us for this different service
and invite a family with young children to come along with you!

Mission Report – 20th December 2015

Christmas Bowl – Act for Peace

For the past 66 years, the Christmas Bowl has united thousands of compassionate Australians who believe that when we act together, we can make a lasting difference in the lives of people threatened by conflict and disaster.

Giving is an important part of Christian living. All the readings throughout the Christian year usually point us to the ways in which God has given so freely and openly such as Blessings, love, care and consolation. We are encouraged to give ourselves, usually, in time, talents and monetary gifts, offered to God, for the good of God's work in various places.

As we journey this Lent and Christmas time we are focused on God's greatest gift to us, Jesus Christ.

This leads us to consider how we give each Christmas. Do we need to be very specific about our gift to God. As we work together as God's people, we too can make a difference through our giving this Christmas, by being generous to people whom we don't know, or will not even meet, **but whose needs are known to God.**

Christmas is a season for making a difference through our love and generosity.

ACT for Peace are making a difference to the lives of people and communities whose needs are so much greater than our own. After all we are offering what we have to a God and God's ministry as thanks for what God has so freely and lovingly given to us.

John's story.

John is a little boy of eight. Just like any child in Australia, he loves running around outside and playing with his friends. John's family have been through so much, and were forced out of their home in South Sudan by the civil war. They risked incredible hardship and danger to bring John over the border to a makeshift camp in a small village in Ethiopia.

Living conditions are filthy and shocking. There are no toilets, and people are forced to go to the toilet in the open. Most of the water pumps are broken and flies are everywhere.

With no soap or clean water, **John fell seriously ill with "yellow eyes disease" – potentially deadly Hepatitis E.** His mother can only watch helplessly as John grows weaker and weaker. She tells us *"He can't go and play with his friends. He isn't feeling well at all"*. For weeks John has been too listless to move. His mother is beside herself with worry, as she has seen others in the camp die

form the disease, and she would do anything to keep her child safe. **But there is help for children like John. The first thing he needs to get healthy is access to clean water**

Kama's story

Kama was twenty years old, and pregnant, and fled South Sudan when soldiers attacked her village. Kama was terrified of losing her beautiful little boy. When she arrived in the camp she had no possessions, not even a container to carry water from the far away pump.

When illness struck the camp, Kama was worried about who would look after her baby boy if she got sick. Sadly, babies and pregnant women are the most at risk of death from diseases like Hepatitis.

The ACT Alliance were able to help Kama – providing her with a jerry can to carry water, and soap so that she could prevent contamination from deadly diseases.

Coralie Taylor, Mission Secretary

The Fourth Week of Advent, 2015

Monday 21st December

10.00am - 'Whispers of Love' in recess till 1st February

Tuesday 22nd December

7.00pm - Trinity Band and Singers rehearsal

Wednesday 23rd December

Maestro POSSUMS [Multi-Purpose Room] In recess until 22/1/2016

5.30pm – Sacred Reading [Fr.R] In recess till 13th/1/2016

Thursday 24th December - Christmas Eve

5.00pm - Family Service with Eucharist

11.30pm - Sung Eucharist

Friday 25th December - Christmas Day

7.30am - Christmas Eucharist – sung setting

9.30am - Christmas Eucharist

OP. SHOP

Will close on wednesday 23rd December at 4.00pm and re-open on
Tuesday 5th January, 2016

Next Sunday – 27th December, 2015

First Sunday after Christmas

7.30am - Holy Communion [sung][AW/RH] {CS}

9.30am – Holy Communion [said][AW/Fr.R] {S.Sandstrom}

Eucharistic Readings:

1 Samuel 2.18-20,26 Ps.148; Colossians 3.12-17; Luke 2.41-52

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2016

Sunday 3rd January – 6.00pm – Dinner at the Bowlo

Wednesday 13th January - 10.00am -Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert [AW]

Wednesday 13th February – 5.30pm – Sacred Reading Resumes

Wednesday 20th January –10.30am–Eucharist at The Nursing Home(Aurrum)AW

Thursday 21st January – 10.00am – Eucharist at The Pod [AW]

Wednesday 27th January – 2.00pm – Inter.Denom.Service Tarragal Manor

Monday 1st February – 10.00am – Whispers of Love Resumes

Tuesday 2nd February – 2.00pm – Tarragal Glen Eucharist [AW]

Saturday 6th February – 10.00am – Messy Church Meeting

Saturday 6th February – 6.00pm – ‘Saturday at 6’

Sunday 7th February – 6.00pm – Dinner at the Bowlo

Monday 8th February – 1.00pm – Women’s Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday 9th February – 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 10th February - 10.00am -Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert [AW]

Thursday 11th February – 10.00am - Pastoral Care Meeting

Thursday 11th February – 11.00am – Samaritans Link Day

Saturday 13th February– 8.00am – Garden Working Bee

Sunday 14th February – Concert with Heather Moen-Boyd & Associate Artist.

Monday 15th February - Induction of Fr Mark Watson

Tuesday 16th February – 1.00pm – Coffee, Craft & Chat

Wednesday 17th February –10.30am–Eucharist at The Nursing Home(Aurrum)AW

Thursday 18th February– 10.00am – Eucharist at The Pod [AW]

Friday 19th February – 1.00pm – Preparation for Market Day

Saturday 20th February – 8.00am – 100pm - Market Day

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The Op Shop is open Tuesday to Friday from 9.00am to 4.00pm
and each Saturday from 10.00am to 1.00pm