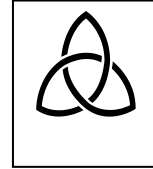


**The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle  
The Parish of Terrigal**



Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity  
CHRISTMAS DAY  
25th DECEMBER, 2016



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.



## **WELCOME TO CHRISTMAS AT HOLY TRINITY**

Over the Christmas season we celebrate the mystery of God coming to earth as a baby. After he was born Jesus was placed in a manger which contained the hay the animals fed on because his parents couldn't find room in the inn. When he grew up Jesus shared many meals with his disciples. He called himself the "Bread of Life." He gave them bread and wine at the last supper he shared with them before he died, and told them to keep doing it in remembrance of him. We call it the Eucharist which means "thanksgiving." Just as the baby Jesus was placed in a feeding trough for animals, so when he grew up he would become food for the world.

At Christmas time we eat and drink a lot to celebrate the festival and enjoy time with our friends and families. Many people try to feed their deeper needs – for love, friendship, self-esteem, power, recognition, meaning – with "food" that can never satisfy those needs. They may feed themselves with lots of money and possessions, or fame or friends. But these things can never satisfy our deepest needs and we always need more and more to feel better about ourselves. Only Jesus feeds those deeper needs within us by inviting us to come to him and feed on him by receiving him into our lives. As God came to us in flesh and blood in the baby Jesus, so he comes to us in the Eucharist as bread and wine.

As you receive Holy Communion this Christmas, may it be a time for you to receive Jesus again as your Saviour, and to renew your faith in Jesus who is the only real food and drink.

*Fr Mark*

## **SERVICES AT HOLY TRINITY DURING DECEMBER AND JANUARY**

Every Sunday during December and January the Eucharist will be celebrated at 7.30am and 9.30am.

8.00am Morning Prayer on weekdays will be postponed after Christmas and during January.

The Friday Eucharist at 10.30am will continue during December and January. However, the Bible Study will be in recess from 30<sup>th</sup> December and resume on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017.

The Wednesday 5.00pm Eucharist followed by Sacred Readings (*Lection divina*) will be in recess and will resume 25<sup>th</sup> January.

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## **Mission Report - 25th December**

### **Christmas Bowl.**

#### **The Birth of our Lord: Christmas Day**

#### **The light shines in the darkness**

#### **Theme: Good News!! Jesus Christ is born**

Risen Christ you call us to celebrate the glory of God.

We pray for people who don't have enough food to nourish their children.

We give thanks for the work of Christian Care in Zimbabwe, teaching farmers conservation farming enabling them to feed their families. We pray for all people responding to environmental changes and challenges.

Give us generosity of spirit as we respond from our own abundance to the needs of others. **Amen.**

**Act for Peace - Christian Care**, leaders in conservation farming techniques, working with farmers in drought-prone areas to improve the capacity to provide food for their families.

Zimbabwe is a country devastated by drought, and farmers struggle to grow enough food. The farming techniques they have used over the years are no longer productive. Families work hours in the boiling hot sun for tiny yields. They struggle to keep their children healthy, they are malnourished and can no longer go to school, they beg for household supplies from neighbours, Some are forced to leave their homes for work, although wages are also low and insufficient for the families to survive on.

Christian Care, is an Act for Peace Partner, with trained field coordinators who educate farmers in a new method called **conservation farming, teaching new agricultural skills that can ensure they always have enough food for their families to eat, and producing surplus stock that can be sold to buy food extra livestock.**

\$25 can provide farmers in Zimbabwe with enough seeds to grow food for their families.

This Christmas, as we remember the journey of Mary and Joseph, and celebrate the Birth of Jesus Christ, with our family and friends, take the time to prayerfully remember the many people throughout our own nation who are without employment, food and shelter, and the masses of people throughout the world, especially where civil unrest and war has caused so much destruction and suffering, and forcing many people to flee, seeking refuge in other countries.

**Anglican Board of Mission**  
***Working for Love, Hope & Justice.***

**Archbishop Philip Frier, Primate Anglican Church of Australia**

Christmas Message '*Christmas is for everyone*' can be viewed via the ABM website, or going direct to <http://www.ncca.org.au/news/media-release/item/943-2016-christmas-message-from-leaders-of-the-christian-churches-in-australia>

**Christmas eCard**

It's not too late to send a Christmas message. ABM provides a free Christmas eCard which you can send to all your family, friends and contacts. Go to the ABM website, select Advent & Christmas Appeal, click on the eCard link, where you can preview the card, which may be personalised as you wish by filling in the online form.

**ABM Christmas Appeal**

This year the Christmas Appeal is supporting Youth & Sunday School Program in Kenya, and encourages young people to partake in leadership training and embrace the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and encouraged to participate in environmental conservation issues as well as tree planting and clean up days.

*Coralie Taylor - Mission Secretary.*

**Next Sunday – 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2017**  
**The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus**

**7.30am – Sung Eucharist** *Presiding & preaching – Fr. Mark- Organist –Chris Sillince*  
**9.30am – Holy Eucharist** *Presiding & preaching – Fr Mark – Organist- Sharon Sandstrom*

**Eucharistic Readings:**

Numbers 6.22-27; Psalm 8; Galatians 4. 4-7;  
Luke 2: 15-21

**Christmas Week**

**No Morning prayer this week**  
**Parish office and Op shop are closed.**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December - Public holiday**  
**Stephen, Deacon and First Martyr**

**Tuesday 27 December - Public holiday**  
**John, Apostle and Evangelist**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Holy Innocents**

5.30 Eucharist and Sacred Reading will resume on 25<sup>th</sup> January

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Wedding**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.30am - Holy Eucharist** *[Fr.Mark]*

**Readings – 1 John 2. 12-17; Psalm: 96. 7-9; Luke 2. 36-40**

**Please pray for**

Barbara Matthews, Kate Ross, Keith Williams, Andre,  
Paul Catanzariti, Marie Hawes, Libby Harvey, Joel,  
Fr. Roy, Natalie, Clare and Anne, Avril Baxter, Catherine Harvey,  
Darren Thomas

**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 – Holy Eucharist**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month - Messy Church**

between 3.30pm and 5.30pm

**Weekly Worship at Holy Trinity**

**Tues to Friday - 8.00am - Morning Prayer**

**5.00pm – Wednesday – Holy Eucharist**

**Friday at 10.30am – Holy Eucharist**

**1st Tuesday at 2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist**

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

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

**4th Friday at 11.00am – Eucharist at Woodport Aged Care**

**VARIOUS PARISH MINISTRIES**

**‘Whispers of Love’ - a meditation (*Monday at 10.00am*); **Women’s****

**Fellowship** (*2nd Monday at 1.00pm*); **Coffee and Craft** (*4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at*

*1.00pm*); **Parish Council** (*2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7.30pm*); **Trinity Band** (*Rehearsal -*

*Tuesday at 7.00pm*) (*Playing at the 9.30am Sunday - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays*);

**Sacred Reading** (*Wednesday at 5.30pm*); **Pastoral Care** (*2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at*

*10.00am*); **Bible Study** (*Friday at 11.45am*); **Messy Church Planning Meeting**

(*1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10.00am*) ; **Gardening** (*2nd Saturday from 8.00am*); **Market**

**Day** (*3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday from 8.00am*)

*Parish contact - (02) 4365 1115 or mobile 0434 431 400*

**Holy Trinity Opportunity Shop ... contact (02) 4365 1280**

**Parish Website – [www.terrigalanglican.org.au](http://www.terrigalanglican.org.au)**

*‘We desire to shine as one in Christ’*

## **Parish Directory**

**The Church of the Holy Trinity – 92 Serpentine Rd, Terrigal, 2260**

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### **Associate Priests**

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**The Reverend Roy Hazlewood - 4393 0114**

**The Reverend Richard Harvey – 0422 109 262**

### **Parish Executive**

**Keith Watson (4365 1065) - Rector's Warden**

**Terry Rowe (4365 0430) - People's Warden**

**Kyara Newport (4384 3997) - People's Warden**

**Parish Secretary - Kyara Newport (4384 3997)**

**Parish Treasurer - Terry Rowe (4365 0430)**

### **Parish Ministries**

**Parish Organist - Chris Sillince - 0422 225 849**

**Sacristan and Mission Secretary - Coralie Taylor**

**Office Manager - Bev Broadley - 4367 6066**

**Messy Church Convenor - Rhonda Kiss - 4367 6981**

**Pastoral Care - contact - 4365 1115**

**Cursillo - Keith Watson - 4365 1065**

**Safety Officer - Mike Keaney**

**Copyright Compliance Officer - Barbara Matthews**

**Parish Bookshop – Kyara Newport**

**Market Day Co-ordinator – George Jessup - 4368 2237**

### **Parish Opportunity Shop**

**Carolyn Shields / Christine De Gans - 4365 1280**

**The Op Shop is open Tuesday to Friday from 9.00am to 4.00pm**

**and each Saturday from 10.00am to 1.00pm**