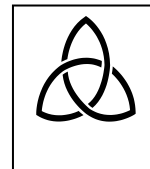


**The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle
The Parish of Terrigal**



Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity
The Eighth Sunday after Epiphany
26th February, 2017



7.30am - Sung Eucharist - Presiding & preaching – Fr. Mark Watson
Congregational Hymns

9.30am - Holy Eucharist - Presiding & preaching – Fr. Mark Watson

11:00am – Annual General Meeting

[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.

Reading from the book of Isaiah

Chapter 49: Verses 8-16a.

Thus says the LORD:

In a time of favour I have answered you,
on a day of salvation I have helped you;
I have kept you and given you
as a covenant to the people,
to establish the land,
to apportion the desolate heritages;
saying to the prisoners, 'Come out',
to those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.'

They shall feed along the ways,
on all the bare heights shall be their pasture;
they shall not hunger or thirst,
neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down,
for he who has pity on them will lead them,
and by springs of water will guide them.

And I will turn all my mountains into a road,
and my highways shall be raised up.

Lo, these shall come from far away,
and lo, these from the north and from the west,
and these from the land of Syene.

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
break forth, O mountains, into singing!
For the LORD has comforted his people,
and will have compassion on his suffering ones.

But Zion said, 'The LORD has forsaken me,
my Lord has forgotten me.'
Can a woman forget her nursing-child,
or show no compassion for the child of her womb?
Even these may forget,
yet I will not forget you.
See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands;

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm: 131.

O Lord, my heart is not proud:
nor are my eyes haughty.

**I do not busy myself in great matters:
or in things too wonderful for me.**

But I have calmed and quieted my soul
like a weaned child upon its mother's breast:
like a child on its mother's breast is my soul within me.

**O Israel, trust in the Lord:
from this time forward and for ever.**

A Reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, Chapter 3. 18 - 4.5.

Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written,

'He catches the wise in their craftiness',
and again,

'The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,
that they are futile.'

So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they should be found trustworthy. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. Therefore do not pronounce judgement before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in

darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive commendation from God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our hearts.

Alleluia!

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St. Matthew, Chapter 6, verses 22-34**

‘The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

‘No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive

for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Please pray for

Barbara Matthews, Paul Catanzariti, Joel, Denise King
Kate Ross, Keith Williams, Joan & Norm Williams,
Karrienne, Karina, Avril Baxter, Vern Tucker

WHISPERS OF LOVE

Reflection

Psalm 50 As we approach Ash Wednesday

*Indeed you love truth in the heart:
Then in the secret of my heart teach me wisdom.
O purify me, then I shall be clean;
O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow.*

*O rescue me, God, my helper,
And my tongue shall ring out your goodness.
O Lord, open my lips
And my mouth shall declare your praise.*

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

SPECIAL REQUEST FROM THE SAMARITANS LINK MEETING

Our representative, Margaret Maclachlan attended this meeting. At the meeting it was requested that if every parishioner supplied a needed item each week it would greatly benefit those in need in our society.

Items needed are: soap, deodorants, personal items, milk, tinned food (not soups) cereal, pasta, etc.

If everyone was able to bring something, think of what this would mean to the work of the Samaritans and their outreach into our community.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TODAY AT 11.30AM

At the AGM we will be electing our Church Wardens, Parish Council members, Representatives to Synod and the Encumbancy Appointments. **Forms for nomination** of these positions are available from the Church Wardens or parish Council members.

Copies of the reports from various groups, and the audited financial reports are available on the table next to the electoral roll forms.

SACRED READING FOR LENT

Are you planning to try a different discipline during Lent? I have just the thing for you. It is participating in the Sacred Reading (Lectio Divina) Group that meets for an hour on Wednesday evening following the 5.00pm Eucharist.

Sacred Reading is a way of slowly reading the Scriptures for the heart as well as for the mind, for transformation as well as for information. It may be even a little deeper than for information and may lead to transformation. It is a way of allowing God to transform our lives through the Scriptures looking into the very depth of the heart as well as the mind.

Could you make this part of your Lenten Discipline? You are most welcome to join with us.

Lenten blessings, Fr. Roy

BCA BOXES

It is time to return your BCA boxes for counting and then the money can be forwarded to BCA.

Thank you, Kath Connor-Brown

LENT 2017

In two weeks we begin our Lenten journey. During this holy season, with Christians around the world we refocus our lives and attention on the saving events of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. Jesus spent forty days in the desert. I invite you to join with me as we go with Jesus into the wilderness this Lent. Jesus was part of a tradition of holy people who spent time in the loneliness and harshness of the desert – Moses, Elijah, John the Baptist – where they were able to focus on God without distraction and material comforts in order to pray and spend time with God. The desert is a place of clarification. That's what we will be doing for the forty days.

The devil tempting Jesus was an attempt to direct his life away from God. The same happens to us. Lent is an opportunity to redirect our lives, our thoughts and our attitudes toward our relationship with God once more. The three temptations – making the satisfaction of bodily or material needs the centre of life; the yearning for glory, honour and esteem; the temptation to exercise power and to manipulate others – all divert our focus away from God and toward ourselves. In Lent we go with Jesus into the desert to be stripped down and to refocus on God.

Various Lenten practices assist us in doing this: studying and meditating on the scriptures, prayer, fasting and abstinence, giving to the poor and needy, being more dedicated in receiving the sacraments – especially penance and the Eucharist – all help us to relive and renew our baptism. The following are some suggestions to assist you in some of these practices.

- The **Anglican Board of Mission** (ABM) has made available a devotional booklet, *Into the Desert*, which contains a Bible reading for each day of Lent, a short reflection and suggestions for prayer. Copies are \$6. To order your copy please place your name on the appropriate sign-up sheet on the table at the Church door. If you prefer to download the booklet, you can purchase it by visiting www.intothedesert.org.
- ABM envelopes will be distributed on Sundays in Lent. Three projects are being offered for you to choose: i) **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ministry** in remote communities in Numbulwar-Eastern Arnhem Land

developing liturgies in the language of their people for special services like Ash Wednesday and Easter; ii) **Gender and Governance Initiative in Zambia** through the Zambia Anglican Council to improve gender equality; iii) **Church Growth in The Philippines** – the Episcopal Church in the Philippines proclaims the Good News of salvation through preaching, liturgical celebrations and action. The programme aims to grow the Church and strengthen its activities in social transformation.

- **Lenten Study Groups** include: i) *Whispers of Love* meditation group on Mondays at 10.00am will be doing a Lenten reflection: *Up from the Waters: Reflecting, Sharing, Living the Gospel*; ii) **Lectio divina (sacred reading)** will continue to meet on Wednesdays at 5.30pm. The Eucharist will be celebrated at 5.00pm in the Founders' Chapel; iii) **Lenten studies** using the Lent Study 2017 booklet, *Spare a Minute* by Bishop John Frank Ford of the Diocese of The Murray will be offered on Sunday mornings at 11.00am, Thursday evenings at 7.30pm, Friday mornings at 11.30am. The studies encourage renewed understanding of what it means to be baptised, using the Sunday Gospel readings as the basis. Please indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet on the table at the Church door. Booklets are \$9.95.
- **Ash Wednesday Liturgies (Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes)** will be held on 1st March at 8.30am, 12 midday, and 5.00pm. The Eucharist will be celebrated on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 8.30am during Lent.

If you have any questions about any of the above please do not hesitate to ask me. God bless you as we enter the season of Lent this year.

Fr Mark

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
FRIDAY 3RD MARCH, 2017**

This will be celebrated at the Uniting Church at Kincumber.

The service will be at 10.00am followed by morning tea at 11.00am

A notice is on the noticeboard and if you are attending could you please include your name on the sheet next to it so that numbers can be advised for seating and catering.

Thank you, Irene Neville

This Week

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER EPHIPHANY

Monday 27th February

10.00am – Whispers of Love [*Rev. Ann*]

Tuesday 28th February

8.00am – Morning Prayer

8.45am – 1.30pm - Maestro Possums

7.00pm – Trinity Band & Singers Rehearsal

Wednesday 1st March - Ash Wednesday

8.00am – Morning Prayer

8.30am -Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes [*Fr. Mark*]

12.00noon - Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes [*Fr. Mark*]

2.00pm - Ecumenical Service at Tarragal Glen [*Fr. Mark*]

5.00pm – Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes [*Fr. Roy*]

5.30pm – Sacred Reading [*Fr. Roy*]

Thursday 2nd March

8:00am – Morning Prayer

8.30am – Holy Eucharist [*Fr. Mark*]

7.30pm Lenten Bible Study [*Fr. Mark*]

Friday 3rd March

8.00am – Morning Prayer

8.45am – 1.30pm - Maestro Possums

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

Readings – Isaiah 58.1-9a; Psalm: 51.15-19; Matthew 9.14-15

11.45am – Friday Lenten Bible Study [*Fr. Mark*]

5:00pm – Messy Church planning meeting

NEXT SUNDAY 5TH MARCH, 2017 – 6.00pm

Parish Dinner at the Bowlo.

For catering purposes please place your name on the list on the noticeboard. You would be welcome to join with your Parish Family to share a meal and time of fellowship.

Next Sunday – 5th March, 2017

First Sunday in Lent

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

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

11.30 – Lenten Bible Study – Fr. Mark

Eucharistic Readings:

Genesis 2. 15-17; 3.1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5. 12 - 21;

Matthew 4: 1-11

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2017

Sunday 5th March - 6.00pm – Parish Dinner at the Bowlo

Tuesday 7th March – 2.00pm – Tarragal Glen Eucharist [*Rev'd. Ann*]

Wednesday 8th March - 10.00am – Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert [*Fr. Mark*]

Thursday 9th March – 10.00am - Pastoral Care Meeting

Saturday 11th March – 8.00am – Garden Working Bee

Monday 13th March – 1.00pm – Women's Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday 14th March – 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 16th March - 10.00am - Eucharist at The Pod [*Fr. Mark*]

Friday 17th March – 1.00pm – Market Day Preparations

Saturday 18th March - 8.00am – 1.00pm – Market Day

Sunday 19th March – 3.30—5.30pm – Messy Church

Saturday 1st April – 10.00am – Messy Church Meeting

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

Tuesday 4th April – 2.00pm – Tarragal Glen Eucharist [*Rev'd. Ann*]

Saturday 8th April – 8.00am – Garden Working Bee

Sunday 9th April – Palm Sunday

Monday 10th April– 1.00pm – Women's Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday 11th April – 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Saturday 15th April - 8.00am – Parish Clean up working bee

Sunday 16th April – Easter Day

Sunday 7th May – Concert – Cathy Aggett (Soprano) with pianist

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

Hymns are reproduced from *Together in Song*, Harper Collins Publishers, East Melbourne, 1999. with permission. CCLI 89783.

The Parish of Terrigal warmly welcomes you.

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

3rd Sunday in the month - Messy Church

between 3.30pm and 5.30pm

Weekly Worship at Holy Trinity

Tuesday 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 –Holy 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*); **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*); **Pastoral Care** (*2nd Thursday at 10.00am*); **Bible Study** (*Friday at 11.45am*); **Messy Church Planning Meeting** (*1st Saturday at 10.00am*) ; **Gardening** (*2nd Saturday from 8.00am*); **Market Day** (*3rd 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

Parish Directory

The Church of the Holy Trinity – 92 Serpentine Rd, Terrigal, 2260
Parish Postal Address – P.O. Box 167, Terrigal, 2260
Office Telephone - 4365 1115.

Parish Email – admin@terrigalanglican.org.au

Website - www.terrigalanglican.org.au

Rector – The Reverend Canon Mark Watson – 4365 1374 or 0434 431 400

Email - cyprian7@bigpond.com

Associate Priests

The Reverend Ann Watson –4365 1065 or 0427 135 771

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 – 4363 5001

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**