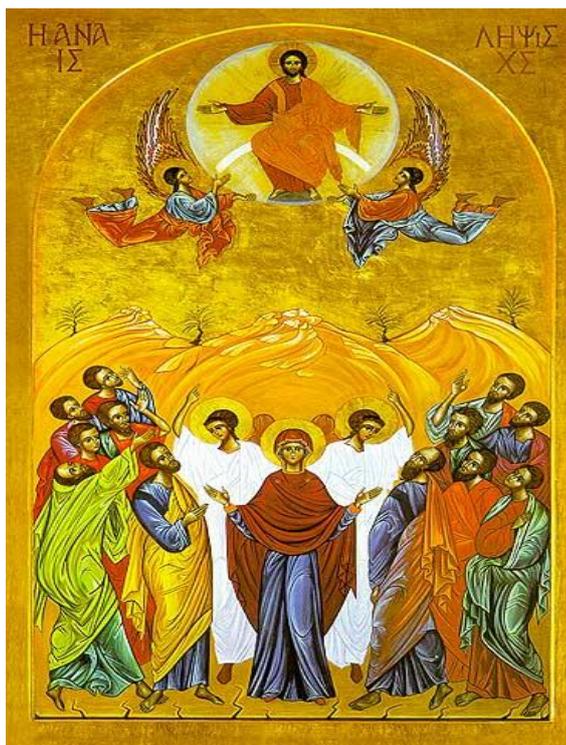


**The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle
The Parish of Terrigal**



**Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
28th MAY, 2017**



7.30am - Sung Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr. Mark Watson

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

11.30am – Holy Baptism

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.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH TODAY ARE IN MEMORY OF
VAL KISSACK**

We welcome Oliver John Perry into the Body of Christ through Holy Baptism at 11.30am this morning. Welcome also to Oliver's parents, Dean and Kristen Perry, and to Godparents and family members and friends. Our prayers for you as you celebrate God's gift of life and new life.

THY KINGDOM COME

Last Thursday we celebrated the Festival of the Ascension and next Sunday we celebrate Pentecost. The Archbishop of Canterbury has invited us to pray during the days in between through an initiative called *Thy Kingdom Come*. It is based on the disciples gathered for prayer after Jesus ascended into heaven: "They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus . . ." (Acts 1:14). The Archbishop says, "In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities."

You are invited to pray in whatever way you want and with whomever you want for others to come to know Jesus Christ. We can pray individually or in a group. One simple way to do this is to set aside time for prayer each day between Ascension and Pentecost using a simple guide containing "pocket prayers" which can be used at any time of the day. It has beautiful illustrations by Caleb Simmons that draw us into prayer as well as Bible texts, times of listening and a prayer or collect all of which move us into conversation with God.

"These nine days are a dedicated time to prayerfully wait in the 'in-between' time from Ascension to Pentecost. In it we choose to align ourselves with the love of God, so that those around us may come to know more of Him. May our waiting and our praying make us more open to receiving the Holy Spirit and more capable of showing the grace of God in all that we are and do. I invite you to join me and Christians across the globe as we pray together for God to renew us for the transformation of both ourselves and our world." (from the Introduction from the Archbishop of Canterbury to *Nine Days of Prayer 2017: Conversations in the In-Between 26 May - 3 June*).

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 1: 6-14

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

Psalm 68. 1-10, 32-35.

God shall arise, and his enemies shall be scattered:
those that hate him shall flee before his face.

As smoke is dispersed, so shall they be dispersed:

**as wax melts before a fire,
so shall the wicked perish at the presence of God.**

But the righteous shall be glad and exult before God:
they shall rejoice with gladness.

**O sing to God, sing praises to his name:
glorify him that rode through the deserts,
him whose name is the Lord, and exult before him.**

He is the father of the fatherless,
he upholds the cause of the widow:
God in his holy dwelling place.

**He gives the desolate a home to dwell in,
and brings the prisoners out into prosperity:
but rebels must dwell in a barren land.**

O God, when you went out before your people:
when you marched through the wilderness,

**The earth shook, the heavens poured down water:
before the God of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.**

You showered down a generous rain, O God:
you prepared the land of your possession
when it was weary.

**And there your people settled:
in the place that your goodness, O God,
had made ready for the poor.**

Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth:
O sing praises to the Lord,

To him that rides upon the highest heavens,

**that were from the beginning:
who utters his voice, which is a mighty voice.**

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel:
and his might is in the clouds.

**Terrible is God who comes from his holy place:
the God of Israel who gives power
and strength to his people. Blessed be God.**

**A reading from the first letter of Peter,
Chapter 5.**

Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for

'God opposes the proud,
but gives grace to the humble.'

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support,

strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Through Silvanus, whom I consider a faithful brother, I have written this short letter to encourage you, and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. Your sister church in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark. Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, **alleluia !**

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise. **Alleluia !**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 17: 1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and

they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Please pray for

Joel, Barbara Matthews, Joan & Norm Williams, Keith Watson,
Denise King, Patricia Luxford, Joan Monico, Kate Ross,
Irene Neville, Fr. Stuart Benson, Marianne Black,
Riley, Janelle Argue

**We prayerfully remember
Val Kissack**

SEA SUNDAY 9TH JULY, 2016

Knitting packs are again available for the beanies for Sea Sunday. Please pick up a pack and get those needles knitting.
Thank you to Coralie Taylor for her wonderful effort in providing these packs.

ASCENSION AND PENTECOST

At the end of Easter the church celebrates two important feasts: the Ascension of the Lord, and Pentecost. We tend to think of heaven and earth as two separate realms. Earth is material and is “down here”. Heaven is spiritual and is “up there”. Earth is temporary. Heaven is eternal. This is actually a Greek way of thinking. The ancient Greek philosophers sharply separated the material and the spiritual. In this view salvation is basically an escape from this material world and release into a spiritual realm called heaven.

That’s not how the Bible sees things. The Bible is not dualistic in the way it views the cosmos. It certainly speaks of heaven and earth but not as two separate arenas. Heaven and earth meet together with God reigning over both. Jesus taught us to pray: “Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.” We don’t pray, “Lord, deliver us *from* this earth, and help us escape into heaven.”

The resurrection of Jesus brought heaven and earth together. Heaven has now come near. We don’t have to escape the earth in order to know the joy of heaven. This is Good News and we are called to share it with the world. Jesus said to the disciples before he ascended: “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” In the Ascension, earth moves into the heavenly sphere; at Pentecost, the heavenly invades the earth.

The Church is the place where this coming together takes place. We are the temple of the living God. The Holy Spirit dwells within us. In preaching, in the liturgy, especially the Eucharist, heaven and earth meet together. When we say or sing the Sanctus during the eucharistic prayer of thanksgiving, we call upon heaven, invoking the angels and archangels: “heaven and earth are full of your glory.” We ascend with Christ to heaven and Christ through his Spirit descends to earth. Two realms are united in harmony.

The Ascension of Jesus is not a journey to another place but to another dimension – not another dimension in a ‘Dr Who’ sense, some foreign or alien place. It’s rather a place from whence we receive inspiration, power and direction for our lives. That’s why the angels, messengers of heaven, appear as Jesus departs, saying: “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven?” Life in

the Spirit, eternal life is not about gazing or longing after another world. It's about getting to work in this one – transforming this world by bringing heaven to invade the kingdoms of darkness and destruction. When we are involved in the mission of the church which is the mission of Christ, we are helping to bring heaven and earth together.

Fr Mark

WHISPERS OF LOVE

**A warm welcome to come and experience
'Whispers of Love' meditation group**

Reflection

Prayer is not a competition, not an experience of winning or of accumulating good feelings and great insights.

Prayer is about “showing up” with an open mind and heart, being willing and ready to grow and change.

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

INFORMATION RE ST GEORGES.

If you did not receive the letter from the Secretary a copy has been placed on the notice board.

PARISH CONTACT BOOKLET

We would like to update and reprint the parish contact booklet. If you have changed any of your contact details in the past 18 months could you please complete the form on the table as you enter church. If you are new to the parish and would like to have a copy of the contact booklet please complete the other form. For privacy reasons, the booklet will only be handed to parishioners who have completed these forms.

Thank you, Bev Broadley



**ANGLICAN WOMEN'S
ANNUAL SERVICE 2017**
at
Christ Church Cathedral
Church Street, Newcastle
Tuesday, 6th June



Theme: Thanksgiving for the Ministry of Women
'Facing tomorrow in the Spirit's power'

From 9.45am Arrival & Light Refreshments:

10.30am Eucharist:

Celebrant: The Right Reverend Dr. Peter Stuart

Preacher: The Ven. Canon Sonia Roulston

Guest Speakers:

11.45am The Rt Revd Kay Goldsworth, Bishop of Gippsland

12.35-1.15 Recess for lunch: *(BYO lunch, coffee and Tea provided)*

1.15pm The Revd Di Langham, Chaplain Cessnock Gaol

1.45pm Closing prayers & finish.

Share in the main day of the

ANGLICAN WOMEN AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE

Wednesday, 7th June at Club Macquarie, 458 Lake Rd., Argenton

9am to 5pm – Cost \$50 (incl. lunch, M & A tea)

(Register: Laurel Brook, email:lolart2@bigpond.com)

9.00am **Lisa Towle** (ECW,US) presentation and small group discussion

10.05 Morning Tea

10.45 **MOW:** The Ongoing Struggle (movement for Ordination of women)

12 noon Lunch

1.15 Singing with Laurel

1.30 **Jan Malpas** – her journey

2.30 Afternoon Tea

3.00 **Lucille Henniker**, President AWF, South Africa

3.45-4.30pm **Revd Lu Piper**, A special ministry in PNG

[For further details see: WWW.anglicanwomennewcastle.org.au]

If you would like transport please speak to Kyara Newport 4384 3997

This Week

Monday 29th May

10.00am – Whispers of Love

Tuesday 30th May

8.45am – 1.30pm - Maestro Possums

7.00pm – Trinity Band & Singers rehearsal

Wednesday 31st

8.00am – Morning Prayer

5.00pm – Holy Eucharist *[Fr. Roy]*

5.30pm – Sacred Reading *[Fr. Roy]*

Thursday 1st June

8.00am – Morning Prayer

Friday 2nd

8.00am – Morning Prayer

8.45am – 1.30pm - Maestro Possums

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

Readings – Acts 25.13-21; Psalm: 103.15-22; John 21.15-19

11.45am – Friday Bible Study

Saturday 3rd

10.00am – Messy Church Meeting

PATRONAL FESTIVAL LUNCH SUNDAY 11TH JUNE 2017

The Parish is encouraged to come along to a “Bring and Share lunch “ to be held Sunday 11th June 2017 at mid-day.

As this is our special Sunday of the year it would be lovely to see a large number of parishioners attend.

There will be some entertainment and drinks will be supplied.

Some ideas for a small plate of finger food – sandwiches, pies, sausage rolls, quiche, fresh fruit, lettuce cups, cheese plate, slice, cake.

So we can organise seating etc. there is a sign up sheet on the board

Thank you

Mission Report - 28th May

National Reconciliation Week. Theme: Lets take the next step.

There are two significant milestone anniversaries in this week commencing 27th May - 3rd June. This year marks 50 years since the 1967 referendum, and 25 years (1992) since the Mabo decision. Another important step was the 2008 Apology. The week reminds us that big changes take persistence and courage, so let's celebrate together and take the next steps.

ABM Partners magazine for Autumn focus on the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians from around the Anglican Church.

The article below is written by

The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod, National Aboriginal Bishop

THE JOURNEY OF RECONCILIATION

At the heart of the Gospel message is God's act of reconciliation with the world through his Son.

Christians, I believe, are called to model this commitment to reconcile with others through our own life and witness. James reminds us that we 'are to be doers of the word and not merely hearers ...' (James 1: 22). Paul says we are '... ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us ...' (2 Cor 5: 20). We are called by our very nature as Christians to be reconcilers: people who are committed to living and acting in the presence and power of God's reconciling love. Jesus says that '...if you remember that anyone has anything against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister ...' (Matt 5: 23 – 24). Australia is having a long, but necessary, arduous journey on the way to reconciliation with Australia's first peoples. Recognising past and present wrongs done to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples is proving to be a difficult journey for many. Yet, it is here that Christians can lead the way. As I write, it is the season of Lent. We have an inbuilt season in the Christian year for recognising our own personal wrongdoings and sinfulness, for making confession, and receiving God's forgiveness. The season of Lent can shape our journey towards reconciliation within our Australian context. As a nation, we

can recognise the negative consequences of colonial occupation, and the ongoing presence of racism and injustice towards Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Jesus reminds us 'that the truth will make you free' (John 8:32).

ABM has been at the forefront of this journey towards reconciliation. ABM has long supported the aspirations and ministry of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and has committed itself to walk the long journey of reconciliation. This is the ministry of 'partnership'; not walking ahead, but journeying alongside.

During this week, you make take the time to learn more about the Indigenous culture of the local Darkinjung people of our community, listen to music, visit a gallery, read literature, watch a movie or TV program ... and it is also a time for prayer.

Prayer for Reconciliation

Lord God, bring us together as one,
reconciled with you and reconciled with each other.

You made us in your likeness,
you gave us your Son, Jesus Christ.
He has given us forgiveness from sin.

Lord God, bring us together as one,
different in culture, but given new life in Jesus Christ,
together as your body, your Church, your people.

Lord God, bring us together as one,
reconciled, healed, forgiven,
sharing you with others you have called us to do.
In Jesus Christ, let us be together as one. **Amen.**

Mission to Seafarers

Thank you to all who have once again taken up the challenge to knit beanies for the Newcastle Mission to Seafarers. The cooler weather especially reminds us of how cold it can be out at sea, at night, and in harsh or extreme weather, and the need to retain warmth. There is still several weeks to complete the beanies.

Next Sunday – 4th June, 2017

DAY OF PENTECOST

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

9.30am – Holy Eucharist - *Presiding & Preaching–Fr. Mark*

Organist –Sharon Sandstrom

Eucharistic Readings:

Acts 2. 1-21; Psalm 104. 26-36; 1 Corinthians 12. 1-13; John 20.19 - 23

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2017

Sunday 4th June – 6.00pm – Parish Dinner at the Bowlo

Thursday 8th June – 10.00am – Pastoral Care Meeting

Saturday 10th June – 8.00am – Garden Working Bee

Sunday 11th June – Trinity Sunday – **12.00 noon - Bring and Share lunch**

Friday 16th June – 1.00pm – Market Day Preparations

Saturday 17th June – 8.00am - 1.00pm – Market Day

Sunday 18th June – 3.30 - 5.30pm – Messy Church

Monday 19th June – 1.00pm – Women's Fellowship Meeting

Sunday 25th June–11.30am – Parish Consultation Meeting regarding Matcham

Sunday 2nd July – 3.00pm – Community Hymn Singing

Sunday 9th July – Sea Sunday

NAME BADGES

If you are new or you have misplaced your name badge an order will be sent off shortly, so please let Bev or Kyara know if you wish to have one. It is handy for you to wear a name badge, as it helps everyone to remember other people's names.

THANK YOU BOXES

It would be appreciated if you can return your thank you boxes in the next two weeks so the money can be forwarded. *Thank you, Lesley Gosling*

IN NEED OF A GOOD HOME

Would you or someone you know like a pet? There are two budgies, 1 year old, male and female who are looking for a good home. Cage available.

Please speak to Libby Harvey on 0431 315 085

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)

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and each Saturday from 10.00am to 1.00pm