

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 18th July, 2021



There will be no services at Church until the NSW Government Stay at Home Order is lifted.

Fr. Roy writes: I am writing this in the early part of our third week of lockdown and have discovered now that we are to have a further extension of the lockdown to at least the end of the month. We are asking ourselves "How long, Oh Lord, how long"? Even the most qualified in the medical and research divisions of our state and the world are unable to give us an accurate answer. We are in lockdown with an increase in the rules by which we are to live the lockdown. It seems to me to be a call to maintain care and love for yourself, for your family, friends, and others who you meet in the course of the day shopping for the essentials with no browsing for all the "specials" and non-essentials. There has been a call for sacrifice for the benefit of all others. In other words, the lockdown has placed the responsibility of everyone to love everyone else as we sacrifice some of our privileges for the benefit of others.

This brings me to relate this situation to walking the way to Christ for all people. Jesus' Passion and Crucifixion is for the salvation of all people of every age and time. This is the sacrifice of one person for the salvation of all. How can we, in this lockdown period, help people to know about walking the way to Christ? First, it is by our own walking the way to Christ in love for Jesus, the Son, the Father and the Holy Spirit and love for other people. Secondly, continue to pray for the people you love who do not really know Jesus and his way.

The rules by which we are asked to live the lockdown consist of a lot of "don't'. Don't leave the house. Don't browse when shopping. Don't go outside your council area. Don't have visitors to your house. On the other hand, when Jesus was asked what people should do to gain eternal life he replied, "Love the Lord your God with all the heart, with all your mind, with the all your soul and with all your strength and a second is like it Love your neighbour as yourself".

We are living in crazy times and even now many think that we can beat the virus by our own power and research and statistics and by everyone doing the right thing. While research and statistics are important and the ability to make these available to us is given to us by God, The followers, the disciples of Jesus, know that ultimately it is in the hand of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The ultimate power is God. We regard God as the ultimate power in our worship, our prayers including thanksgiving, intercessions or prayer for other people and worthwhile causes that will benefit people throughout the world.

Here is a prayer you may like to use in the coming weeks:

Creator God, may every breath we take be for your glory, may every footstep show you as our way, that, trusting in your presence in this world, we may, beyond this life, still be with you where you are alive and reign for ever and ever. AMEN.

(Church of England Common Worship: Daily Prayer)

Keep well, keep safe, keep social distancing and the blessing of God be upon you and on all who you love and pray for and may your days and nights be holy, good, and peaceful. AMEN.

Sentence

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

Mark 6.34

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, Author of our life and end of our pilgrimage; guide us by your word and Spirit amid all perils and temptations, that we may not wander from your way, but may run our course in safety

until we come to our eternal rest in you; through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

A reading from Jeremiah Chapter 23 verses 1-16

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

Therefore, the days are surely coming, says the Lord, when it shall no longer be said, 'As the Lord lives who brought the people of Israel up out of the land of Egypt', but 'As the Lord lives who brought out and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the land of the north and out of all the lands where he had driven them.' Then they shall live in their own land. Concerning the prophets: My heart is crushed within me, all my bones shake; I have become like a drunkard, like one overcome by wine, because of the Lord and because of his holy words. For the land is full of adulterers; because of the curse the land mourns, and the pastures of the wilderness are dried up. Their course has been evil, and their might is not right. Both prophet and priest are ungodly; even in my house I have found their wickedness, says the Lord. Therefore their way shall be to them like slippery paths in the darkness, into which they shall be driven and fall; for I will bring disaster upon them in the year of their punishment, says the Lord. In the prophets of Samaria I saw a disgusting thing: they prophesied by Baal and led my people Israel astray. But in the prophets of Jerusalem I have seen a more shocking thing: they commit adultery and walk in lies; they strengthen the hands of evildoers, so that no one turns from wickedness; all of them have become like Sodom to me, and its inhabitants like Gomorrah. Therefore thus says the Lord of hosts concerning the prophets: 'I am going to make them eat wormwood, and give them poisoned water to drink; for from the prophets of Jerusalem ungodliness has spread throughout the land.'

Thus says the Lord of hosts: Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you; they are deluding you. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the Lord.

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

Psalm 23

1 The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He will make me lie down in green pastures: and lead me beside still waters.

3 He will refresh my soul: and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for you are with me,

your rod and your staff comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me:

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians Chapter 2 verses 11-22

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

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

> > Alleluia, **alleluia!**

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark Chapter 6 verses 30-34 and 53-56

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He 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. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As 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.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And 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.

> For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please pray for:

John Hart, Norm Williams, Tania Howlett, David Lamb and Gloria Townsend, Helen Quinn and Margaret Hassall.

Offertories during the Suspension of Services

I encourage all parishioners to still continue with their weekly offering whilst we are unable to gather. This can be done by continuing to place your offering in the envelopes and keep them aside at home until we are able to again meet and have services. Alternatively, parishioners can move to offering via direct debit. Direct debit details of accounts: ASDF Account Parish of Terrigal BSB:705-077 Account Number: 00040934 Terry Rowe, Treasurer.

'Whispers of Love' Meditation

Reflection:

As we recognize God's presence in our own hearts, we can also recognize the divine presence in the hearts of others. Where God dwells with me, I find all my sisters and brothers. To listen carefully to the voice of the one who calls us the 'beloved' is to learn that voice excludes no one. When we see only darkness within ourselves, we can see only darkness in others, but when we see the light of God within ourselves, we can see God's light in others. As the psalmist declares: In God's light we see Light." *Henri Nouwen*

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

Op Shop Closed

The Op Shop is closed until after the NSW Government lifts the Stay at Home Order.

<u>Samaritans</u>

When we are able to return to church, some suggestions for donations are clean blankets, roll-on deodorant and shampoo.

Thank you. Margaret MacLachlan.

Prayer of the week

O God, you alone can order our unruly wills and affections: teach us to love what you command, and to desire what you promise, that, among the changes and chances of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Chris our Lord. **Amen.**



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost [OS 16] - Sunday 18 July 2021

2 Samuel 7.1-14a; Psalm 89.21-38;
Ephesians 2.11-22; Mark 6.30-34, 6.53-56

St Paul today writes that the division between Gentile and Jew has been obliterated by Jesus: 'He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace'.

We Gentiles 'are no longer strangers and aliens, but [...] are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone'.

- Give thanks for interfaith work between Christians and Jews, remembering especially the Australian Council of Christians and Jews and all others in Australia who promote dialogue, understanding and respect between the two religions.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

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25th July – St James Apostle & Martyr

There will be no rosters until after services resume when the NSW Government Stay at Home Order is lifted.

<u>8.00am</u>

Readers	Intercession	Servers
	9	.30am

Readers	Intercession	Server
Flowers	Morning Tea	
	Marie Partier	

Next Sunday 25 th July, 2021 – St James Apostle & Martyr
8.00am – No service
Presiding & Preaching – N/A
Organist – N/A
9.30am – No service
Presiding & Preaching – N/A
Organist – N/A
Readings: Jeremiah 45, Psalm 125, Acts11:27-12:3
Gospel: Mark 20.20-28.

This Week

Please note there will be no events until after the NSW Government has lifted the Stay at Home Order and Church has resumed.

Monday 19th July

Tuesday 20th July

Wednesday 21st July

Thursday 22nd July MARY MAGDALENE

Friday 23rd July

Saturday 24th July

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