

**Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
6th February, 2022**



9.00am – Holy Eucharist *Presiding & Preaching – Reverend Ann Watson*

Organist – *Chris Sillince*

Hymns: 132, 427, 516, 569

[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.

Fr. Roy writes: It is two years since the first case of COVID-19 hit our shores with its devastation on human life, mental and physical health and death, in the mourning of relatives and friends along with personal inconvenience, like wearing a mask, social distancing, no freedom to travel domestically or overseas, the experience of working from home in occupations in which they did not think it possible and not even thinking about the rise in unemployment and the cost to the economy. It appears the world has shut down, unrecognisable to the world in which we grew up.

How, then, can the Christian look at this situation?

Several points came to my mind.

First, the Presence of God: "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who has made heaven and earth". This is our God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit in whom we trust with faith, hope and love. This is our God who seeks an intimate relationship with us. This relates to the meditative walking about which I wrote recently. When we pause at various places during the walk, it provides an opportunity in the silence to hear God once more. Be open to God as we stand or sit in expectation that we will discover the Presence of God that is always with us.

Second, the Church is closed: This was an important part of the process of stopping the pandemic in its tracks. The aim was for double doughnuts (no deaths and no new cases) day by day. It did not work, however, as numbers rose by hundreds and thousands. In fact, the Church did not close. The doors may have been closed on the buildings, but we are the Body of Christ, and his Spirit is with us. The time when the Church is closed will be when we lose our intimacy with God and evil takes over completely. In the meantime, **"we are the Body of Christ, and his Spirit is with us". The Church is wherever we are.**

Thirdly, the Pax, the Greeting of peace: I know that the Greeting of Peace is still exchanged in the Eucharist, but I miss being able to wander around the congregation and offering to each person a handshake with the word 'Peace'. This touching action is important for us from birth to death and we are deprived of it in keeping with COVID restrictions. Other ways of doing this

outside of the Eucharist is in becoming a volunteer in an organization that assists the needy and outcasts of society or providing food and other necessities in our collection for the Samaritans. In this way we are offering peace to others in our society.

Fourthly, the Omicron strain of the COVID-19 is not particular about whom it infects: On the other hand, God offers eternal life to those who have faith, hope and love in addition to other gifts of the Spirit.

We do all these things with the Presence of God within us

Keep well, keep safe, keep social distancing, and wear a mask 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.**

LENT 2022

Lent is fast approaching with Ash Wednesday on March 2nd and I invite you to consider joining a parish study group. The Rt Rev'd Bill Ray, who retired as Bishop of the Diocese of North Queensland in September 2018, and who prepared the Lenten study book we used a few years ago, has again agreed to write this year's Lenten study books. This year's study is titled, *Conversations with an awesome God* from 'Grassroots Resources'. Bishop Ray is an engaging writer and the studies include practical exercises which have proved very helpful and popular.

If you would like to join a group, please sign-up on the sheet on the notice board. As last year, there will be two groups meeting: Thursdays at 7.30pm (commencing 3rd March), and Fridays at 11.30am (commencing 4th March), each group gathering in the Meeting Room. Please add your name as soon as possible so the books can be ordered.

Every blessing,
Fr Mark.

Sentence

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, and was buried, and was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and appeared to many.

1 Corinthians 15.3-4

Prayer of the Day

Most holy God,
in whose presence angels serve in awe,
and whose glory fills all heaven and earth:
cleanse our unclean lips
and transform us by your grace
so that your word spoken through us
may bring many to your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Isaiah Chapter 6 verses 1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said:

'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

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

Psalm 138

1 I will give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart:
even before the gods will I sing your praises.

2 **I will bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name:
because of your faithfulness and your loving-kindness,
for you have made your name and your word
supreme over all things.**

3 At a time when I called to you, you gave me answer:
and put new strength within my soul.

4 **All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord:
for they have heard the words of your mouth;**

5 And they shall sing of the ways of the Lord:
that the glory of the Lord is great.

6 **For though the Lord is exalted, he looks upon the lowly:
and he comprehends the proud from afar.**

7 Though I walk in the midst of danger,
yet will you preserve my life:
you will stretch out your hand against the fury of my enemies,
and your right hand shall save me.

8 **The Lord will complete his purpose for me:
your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;
do not forsake the work of your own hands.**

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, Chapter 15, verses 1 – 11

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

Come, follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Chapter 5, verses 1 – 11**

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

For the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Please pray for:

Angarad O'Malley, Tania Howlett, David Lamb, Gloria Townsend, Val Stratford, Irene Neville, Denise Perry, Anne Fitzgerald, Harvey Boardman and Sharon Sandstrom.

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Prayer of the Week

Father of all,
who gave your only-begotten Son
to take upon himself the form of a servant
and to be obedient even to death on a cross:
give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus,
that, sharing in his humility,
we may come to be with him in his glory;
where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

'Whispers of Love' Meditation

A warm welcome as we recommence our Meditation Group for 2022 Monday 7 February 10am at Holy Trinity.

Reflection: 'Be still and know that I am God'. Lord, your words lead us to the calmness and greatness of your presence. Fill our spirit with Your peace and Your joy.

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

Dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club

Please join us for dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' tonight, Sunday 6th February, from 6pm. If you are interested in attending, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the notice board immediately after the service this morning. Thank you.

Market Days at Holy Trinity are on the third Saturday of the month

Mark your calendars:

19th March/9th April/21st May/18th June/16th July/20th August/
17th September/15th October/19th November/10th December.

8am to 1pm in our new building at the rear of the Church.

Suspension of Morning Tea

Due to the high numbers of COVID on the Central Coast and changes to our usual services, morning tea on both Friday and Sunday will not be served until further notice.

Fr Mark.

Women's Fellowship – 14th February, 2022 at 1pm

We welcome all other women in the parish to join us for a time to chat and socialise at our meetings.

Our first meeting will be a short AGM then a general meeting where we will catch up with others.

In March, Stephanie Hall will give a talk about the important medical work her husband is doing for women in Ethiopia. This will be a very interesting topic indeed, so we hope many will come to hear her speak.

We'd be delighted to see new members join us at our meetings.

SAFE Series

The Office of the Children's Guardian (OCG) has developed a series of four children's books known as the SAFE series. The series has been developed as a tool for child-related workers and parents who want to introduce the concept of personal safety in a non-confrontational way to children under the age of six. This guide is to be used in conjunction with the four books and other learning resources. The OCG offers weekly webinars for parents and carers. More information can be found by visiting their website at <https://www.ocg.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/training-and-resources/webinars-and-face-to-face-training/safe-books-and-workshops>

Palm Crosses - Ash Wednesday 2nd March, 2022

Ash Wednesday, 2nd March, marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. This is a Season of penance, contrition, reflection and fasting, a period of 40 days for us to prepare for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. During this preparation, we are reminded, that **God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts.**

Each year the Ashes are prepared using the blessed Palm Crosses from the previous years' Palm Sunday Service.

The symbolic marking of foreheads with ashes, to humble our hearts, remind us that life passes away on Earth. **"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return". Gen. 3:19**

Please return your cross by Sunday, 27th February. A Bowl will be placed on the Side Table in the gathering space for the collection of the Palm Crosses. Could you please bring your Palm Crosses from last year to place in the bowl, so that they can be prepared and burned as part of the Parish's preparations for this year's Ash Wednesday services? Thank you.

Coralie Taylor - Sacristan.



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Ordinary Sunday 5C[Epiphany 5] – Sunday 6 February 2022

- Isaiah 6.1-8 or Isaiah 6.1-13; Psalm 138;
1 Corinthians 15.1-11; Luke 5.1-11

Today we read of Jesus calling some of the first disciples: Simon Peter, James and John. They were ordinary people, partners in a fishing enterprise. One can imagine that Peter must have groaned at the itinerant preacher with his instruction to cast out his net one more time. Peter had been up all night doing precisely that but with no result. However, when he pulls in his net this time his catch is so big that he needs not only the staff on his boat to help, but also James and John lend a hand. Jesus promises Peter that he will transform his skill at fishing into one that will benefit God's mission: he will become a 'fisher of people'.

- Lord, take whatever gifts you find in me and turn them towards the establishment of your kingdom.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia – *today is Waitangi Day, NZ's national day.*

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DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2022

AGM 13th March, 2022 – 11am.

Next Sunday – 13th February, 2022

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

8.00am – Sung Eucharist – *Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*

Organist – Chris Sillince?

9.30am – Holy Eucharist – *Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*

Organist – Chris Sillince?

Readings: Jeremiah 17.5-10, Psalm 1, 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

Gospel: Luke 6.17-26

This Week -

Monday 7th February

10.00am - Meditation – Whispers of Love – *Reverend Ann Watson*

Tuesday 8th February

7.00pm – Trinity Band and Singers rehearsal

Wednesday 9th February

5.00pm - Eucharist and Sacred Reading at Holy Trinity – *Fr Roy Hazlewood*

Thursday 10th February

Friday 11th February

10.30am - Eucharist [*Fr Mark Watson*]

Readings – 1 Kings 11.29-12.9 or 11.29-32 and 12.9, Psalm 81.10-16, Mark 7.31-37

Saturday 12th February

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