

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 4th September, 2022



8.00am – Sung Eucharist Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince Hymns: TIS 203, 398, 222, 622

<u>9.30am</u> – Holy Eucharist Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Sharon Sandstrom Hymns: TIS 203, 398, 222, 622

[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: In my younger years I researched and wrote theses under the general area of Sociology of Religion. These days I am still interested in similar topics, and I rely on better minds that mine to do 'the leg work'. Much research is being done among young people who are living through the pandemic with lockdowns, little social exchanges, school classes at home and no face-to-face lectures and tutorials at university. We could add to this the prevalence of suicide among ex-service people and teenagers, the violent deaths of people on the street and climate change all leading to anxiety, fear, distress, and a feeling of hopelessness. I trust that this paragraph has not left you anxious, fearful, distressed and with a feeling of hopelessness.

There is another side to this coin. As I look around this daily world, I see much of the other side of the coin. I see goodness, kindness, love, and real concern for other people and causes along with an enormous band of volunteers who give their lives and time for others. Most of us have no idea of the number of medical researchers throughout the world who spend years of work to discover a drug or other treatment that will relieve the pain of countless people who they will never see. Many of you are involved in these things.

What then does the Christian Faith and Life have to say about these two sides of the coin of living in the world to-day? First, that our Lord, Jesus Christ, died on the cross for all people and that nothing we do in our earthly life will prevent us finally to take our place in heaven. Such thinking leads to a complacency of thinking that all will be right in the end no matter what I do. Secondly, many people will look at Jesus and seeonly a very charismatic man with a new way of teaching his philosophy.

Such thinking leads to thinking that the only way to heaven is in what we do in this lifetime according to the strict way of following the way of this very charismatic man who lived more than two thousand years ago. It is all up to us.

Between these two types of living and belief lies the Christian Faith and life which in this case includes the virtue of hope along with Jesus' other virtues of faith and love. St Thomas Aquinas was in no doubt that hope is crucial to the Christian life: it is, he says, the link between faith and love and love and joy, between what we long for and our final possession of that for which we long. Hope, he says, enables us to look to the future with calm confidence, neither taking the outcome for granted, nor living in fear of the worst. The virtue of hope, he says, "makes us tend towards God both as the ultimate good sought after and as the unfailing source of help in attaining it."

Have you stood on the prow of a ship while she is making her way to your destination? You peer out at the horizon but cannot see the destination. You live in hope that the person in charge has the ship pointed in the right direction and will maintain that direction until the ship arrives at the destination for which you hope. As you stand there and think of these things you see that you can neither arrive nor yet see anything clearly of the destination by your efforts alone.

Hope helps to keep our final goal in mind but also to set our hearts upon it. Hope is one of the gifts from God whereby we know that our ultimate destination is a relationship with God that brings us to the perfect happiness of sharing God's life of hope, love, peace, and joy for all eternity. We are aware of our sins and our sinfulness and the hope of forgiveness, and the hope of God's infinite goodness keeps us directed to our ultimate destination of a perfect relationship with God through Jesus' sacrifice of death on the Cross for our salvation and of the Resurrection declaring that God's love is not dead, but very much alive for all eternity.

Keep well, keep safe, keep social distancing, continue to wear a face 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

<u>Sentence</u>

Whoever does not carry the cross and follow Jesus cannot be his disciple.

Luke 14.27

Prayer of the Day

God of the ages, you call the Church to keep watch in the world and to discern the signs of the times: grant us the wisdom that your Spirit bestows, so that with courage we may proclaim your prophetic word, and complete the work you have set before us; through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from Deuteronomy Chapter 30 verse 15 – 20

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

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

Psalm 1

1 Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly:

nor followed the way of sinners, nor taken their seat amongst the scornful.

2 But their delight is in the law of the Lord: and on that law will they ponder day and night.

3 They are like trees planted beside streams of water: that yield their fruit in due season.

4 Their leaves also shall not wither: and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: they are like the chaff which the wind scatters.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up at the judgement:

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

7 For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Philemon 1-25

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother-especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

One thing more—prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping through your prayers to be restored to you.

Epaphras, my fellow-prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow-workers.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

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

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, Chapter 14, verses 25 – 35.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

'Salt is good; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure heap; they throw it away. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!'

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

Please pray for:

John, Michael Hort, Lynette Brennan, Shirley Kearns, Sharon Sandstrom, Angarad O'Malley, Tania Howlett, David Lamb, Gloria Townsend, Irene Neville, Denise Perry, Michelle Davies, Jo, Ray Wilmot, Steve Taylor, Di. M, Jeannie Hilton, Robyn Smith, Carmen McGee, Bob Morgan and Cal Priest.

Prayer of the Week

O God,

you know us to be set in the midst of so many and so great dangers that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertories via Direct Debit

Offering via direct debit. Direct debit details of account: ASDF Account: Parish of Terrigal, BSB:705-077 Account Number: 00040934 Terry Rowe, Treasurer.

WHISPERS OF LOVE' A MEDITATION

We meet each Monday at Holy Trinity Terrigal at 10.00am.

Reflection:

Nurturing Presence, I turn the ears of my heart In full attention to your voice. I lean to catch the whispers of your abiding love. May I be ever and always open to the countless places and times You call me into relationship with you. Amen.

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

DINNER AT TERRIGAL BOWLING CLUB

Please join us for dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' tonight, Sunday 4th September, 2022 from 6pm. If you are interested, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the notice board immediately after the service. Thank you.

Garden Working Bee

Last Saturday. Thank you so much to our "Bees" for their hard work. Sue, Betty, Margaret, Libby & Richard.

A very successful day & the weather was good. A bit wet on the ground. We will have our next working Bee on **Saturday 24th. September.**

Thanks to you all. Happy Gardening Jackie Davidson.

OP SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for more volunteers for our Op Shop on Thursday and Friday. Can you spare a few hours? We would be most grateful. Op Shop volunteers need to complete a Police Check and the Safer Ministry Course, along with some other requirements regarding safety of vulnerable people and children prior to commencement. If you are interested in joining our lovely team, please see one of our managers, Carolyn Shields or Julie Laird, in the Op Shop or call them on 4365 1280 for more details.

THANK YOU - BOXES AND POUCHES

These are available to everyone, so please take one and place a coin in it whenever you receive a blessing. Money collected by the Anglican Women will go toward Numeracy and Literacy Programs in New Guinea late in 2022. Thank you.

CHANGE OF PLAN FOR RESUMPTION OF WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST AND SACRED READING

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have postponed the resumption until Wednesday 5th October at 5.00pm for the Eucharist, followed by Sacred Reading for approximately an hour. Both events are open to everyone. You are welcome to attend one and not the other if that suits your circumstances.

Is God asking you to participate in these events to enable you to grow further in your spiritual life and relationship with God through Jesus and the work of the Holy Spirit in your life? The requirements to participate in Sacred Reading is an openness to God's Word and a Bible from which you can read the Gospel for the following Sunday Eucharist.

Fr. Roy

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Women's Fellowship meets the second Monday of each month at 1pm in the church foyer. All women are welcome to join us for a shared time of Christian Fellowship.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 12th September with guest speaker Margot Bilston. We hope to see you there.

ANGLICAN WOMEN

All women in the parish are welcome to attend the annual Spring Celebration of the Anglican Women of Australia on Tuesday 6th September, to be held at St Peter's East Maitland commencing with morning tea at 9.30am followed by a Eucharist at 10.30am and a talk by a speaker from ABM on the Literacy and Numeracy program in PNG after that.

The money collected in the Thank You boxes and pouches goes towards this program.

Do speak to Pam Flegg and other members of the Women's Fellowship group if you want more information. More details are also in the brochure on the notice board.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB (SIP)

Meeting 7.30-9.00pm Tuesday 6th September at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming.

Special guest speaker is **Father MICHAEL WHELAN**, who started Spirituality in the Pub, with others including Geraldine Doogue. **Hotel bistro opens at 5.30pm.**

SIP enquiries: 0415 129250 or 0439 678608.

MISSION NEWS

Bush Church Aid Society (BCA)

We are focusing this month on the Bush Church Aid Society (BCA).

In his editorial in the latest BCA prayer notes, the Reverend Neville Naden, Indigenous Ministry Officer, reflects on the work of great indigenous leaders such as William Cooper, David Unaipon and Pastor Sir Doug Nicholls. These men spoke out for the rights of indigenous people as far back as the late 1800's. All these men were Christians, and they spoke out about the treatment of aboriginal people and the injustices done and sought to put things right.

Today, Nungalinya College in the Northern Territory is a combined churches training college for indigenous Australians based in Darwin. The Anglican dean of the college is Ruth Walton who is supported by BCA. Students are given the opportunity to study, grow in their faith and be encouraged and prepared to return to serve in their home churches. Please support them by asking for BCA box. If you already have one, bring it in this month for counting.

Libby Harvey MISSION SECRETARY

SAMARITANS

Thank you to the congregation for being excellent givers of donations for the Samaritans. Items are urgently needed now and include soups, tinned vegetables, spaghetti & sauce, and items during winter. Thank you.

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SAFE MINISTRY TRAINING

Every three years all clergy, staff and volunteers are required to undergo the Safe Ministry training. This training is now only online and is free.

Here is the link: <u>https://ocg.nsw.gov.au/training-and-</u> resources/elearning

If you need to search for the course name, it is called: OCG – Child Safe – Keeping children safe in organisation e-Learning modules.

Volunteers need to complete the first 9 modules and Clergy need to complete all 11 modules.

As the training has changed, regardless of your last training date, we are asking all clergy, staff and volunteers to complete the new training.

Once you have completed the training, please either email the certificate of completion or bring a hard copy into the office so that I can update your record with the new date of completion. If you do not have access to a computer or you need assistance navigating the course or need help to complete the course, please speak to me on 4365 1115 (between 10am-2pm Tuesday or Thursdays) or email me at: admin@terrigalanglican.org.au and I will be happy to arrange to help you.

Thank you.

Cal Priest.



Ordinary Sunday 23C [Pentecost 13] – Sunday 4 September 2022

• Jeremiah 18.1-11; Psalm 139.1-5, 12-18; Philemon 1.1-25; Luke 14.25-35

Today we read St Luke's account of Jesus addressing the crowd about the cost of being a disciple. Not only does it require forethought and detailed planning, like a person preparing to build a tower, but it also requires detachment from both family and possessions. That is not to say that relationships and material objects are bad in themselves, but that they can be distractions from the mission Jesus has for each one of us. How can we, as individuals and as a Church, leave those things behind that hinder our ability to be ardent disciples of Jesus? • Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life, help me to leave anything that gets in the way behind, so that I can follow your path and bring others to you.

• Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

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Next Sunday – 11th September, 2022 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

<u>8.00am</u> – Sung Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince

<u>9.30am</u> – Holy Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Trinity Band and Singers

Readings: Exodus 32.7-14, Psalm 51.1-10, 1 Timothy 1.1-2, 12-19

Gospel: Luke 14.25 – 35

Rosters for next week 9th and 11th September –

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Friday 9th September 10.30am Eucharist

Reader Jill Ross

Sunday 11th September

Flowers

Jackie Davidson

8.00am Sunday Eucharist

Readers	Servers
1 st – Margaret MacLachlan	Margaret and Neil
2 nd – Catherine Taylor	

9.30am Sunday Eucharist

Readers	Servers	9.30am Morning Tea
1 st – Libby Harvey	Margaret and Neil	Joann Lily
2 nd – David Harvey		Anna Holt

This Week

Monday 5th September

10.00am – Whispers of Love – a meditation [Revd. Ann Watson]

Tuesday 6th September

7.00pm – Trinity Band and Singers Rehearsal

Wednesday 7th September

Thursday 8th September

Birth of Mary, Mother of the Lord

Friday 9th September

10.30am – Holy Eucharist [Fr Mark Watson]
Readings: 1 Corinthians 9.16-19, 22b-27, Psalm 84.1-7
Gospel: Luke 6.39-42
11.00am – Morning Tea

Saturday 10th September

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