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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

The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle
The Parish of Terrigal



Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

3rd November, 2013

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity.

7.30am Sung Eucharist [*Rev Richard/BG*]

9.30am – Eucharist [*Fr Roy/BG*]

Hymns 7.30: 455((wv1.2.3.8). 416. 505. 150 [*Chris Sillince*]

EVENSONG TODAY at 6.00PM

This is a lovely, gentle way to complete our Sunday cycle of worship. Please consider coming along!

Hymns:

Processional – 204, Psalm 16, Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, 121, 470, 148

French Organ Postlude: Chorale Prelude "Now rest beneath night's shadow (Op 68, No 3) – Flor Peeters

ADVENT STUDIES

All parishioners are encouraged to join an Advent study group.

THIS WEEK

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Please note the following in your diary.
Monday to Friday – Morning Prayer at 8.00am

Monday 4th November

10.00-10.45am - 'Whispers of Love'

Tuesday 5th November

11.30 for 12.30pm –Women's Fellowship Melbourne Cup Luncheon
2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist
7.00pm - Trinity Band Practice

Wednesday 6th November

From 9.30am - Maestro Possums in Multi-Purpose Room
5.30pm – Bible Study (Sacred Reading)

Friday 8th November

10.30am - Holy Eucharist - the Founders' Chapel [BG]
Readings – Romans 15. 14 – 21, Ps. 98. 1 - 5. Luke 16. 1- 8
11.30am – Bible Study in Meeting Room [BG]
7.00 – 9.00pm –Trinity Teens

ANGLICAN PARISH OF TERRIGAL

BSB 032-545 ... Parish Westpac Account Number 16-9152

WEEKLY GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT REALLY
HELPS TO SECURE OUR FINANCIAL VIABILITY.

The Anglican 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 - Family Eucharist

1st Sunday of the month – Evensong at 6.00pm

3rd Sunday in the month - Messy Church between 3.30pm and 5.30pm.

Weekly Worship at Holy Trinity

Friday at 10.30am – Eucharist

First Tuesday at 2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist

Second Wednesday at 10.00am - Tarragal House Eucharist/concert

Fourth Wednesday at 10.00am - Eucharist at Matthew John

Fourth Thursday at 10.00am - Eucharist at Maxine Louise

VARIOUS PARISH MINISTRIES

Children's Program (9.30am Sunday), 'Whispers of Love' – a meditation (Monday at 10.00am); Parish Council (2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm); Trinity Band (rehearsal Tues. 7.00pm); Bible Study (Friday at 11.30am); Women's Fellowship (2nd Monday at 1.00pm); Pastoral Care (2nd Thursday at 10.00am); Gardening (2nd Saturday monthly); Trinity Teens (2nd & 4th Friday 7.00-9.00pm in school terms at Holy Trinity); Men's Fellowship (3rd Thursday at 10.30am); Coffee and Craft (3rd Tuesday at 1.00pm); Market Day (3rd Saturday – 8.00am -1.00pm) (Messy Church (3rd Sunday 3.30-5.30pm);

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Holy Trinity Opportunity Shop ... contact (02) 4365 1280

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Next Week

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
10th November, 2013 – Holy Eucharist**

7.30am [tba]; **9.30am** - [tba]

Eucharistic Readings

Haggai 1. 15b – 2.9. Ps. 98. 2 Thessalonians 2. 1-5, 13 – 17.

Luke 20. 27 – 40

Forward Planning

Monday 11th November – 1.00pm - Women's Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday 12th November – 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 13th November – 10.00am – Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert

Thursday 14th November – 10.00am – Pastoral Care Meeting

Saturday 16th November – Market Day

Sunday 17th November – 3.30 – 5.30pm - Messy Church

Tuesday 19th November – 1.00-3.00pm – Craft & Coffee

Thursday 21th November – 10.30am – Men's Fellowship Meeting

Friday 22nd November, - 7.00 – 9.00pm – Trinity Teens

Sunday 24th November – Feast of Christ the King

Sunday 24th November – 6.00pm - Parish Dinner at Terrigal Bowlo

Wednesday 27th November – 10.00am – Eucharist at Matthew John

Thursday 28th November – 10.00am – Eucharist at Maxine Louise

Sunday 1st December – Advent Sunday

Saturday 7th December – Garden Working Bee

Saturday December – 7.30pm - Inaugural Organ Concert at Holy Trinity

Sunday December 8th - 10.00am – Whole Parish Eucharist incorporating Dedication Service for The Hauptwerk Organ followed by a bring and share lunch.

Please note there will be one only combined parish service on this day

Saturday December 14th – Market Day

PARISH COUNCIL - SYRIA: ABM EMERGENCY APPEAL

Many parishioners have already generously contributed to this **SPECIAL A.B.M. APPEAL**. For the last time marked envelopes will be included with this week's pew bulletin to help parishioners to contribute to this appeal. You are asked to place your gift in the envelope and then place on the offertory plate for prayerful blessing and collection.

We have learnt this week that the deadly and debilitating disease Polio is now recurring, especially amongst children, throughout the battered and impoverished communities in war-torn Syria. The warring factions in Syria are being called upon to agree to a cease-fire so that medical teams can immediately embark upon a polio immunisation program. Yet again in human history the deadly agenda of those who should know and act better are threatening the lives of the most vulnerable – powerless children.

As Christian pilgrims we know where Jesus is in this – in the very midst of the crisis, journeying with the little children, bringing real hope and bestowing the depth and dignity of the meaning of each child's life in the gift of human/divine relationship which Jesus sustains beyond the worst humanity can visit upon the vulnerable and marginalised. We can, in thought, action and prayer, respond in Christ-like ways. *BG*

CHRISTMAS AT SAMARITANS EMERGENCY RELIEF, WYOMING

Other than normal food parcels, we are only providing clients this year with a small hamper of Christmas food.

Therefore we would be most grateful for any donations of these specific foods: Tinned Ham; Christmas cake; Longlife custard; Canned fruit; Sweets. No toys please!

Thank you, Anna Holt
Parish Samaritans Contact Officer

A Reading from the Book of Habakkuk Chapter 1, verses 1 – 4, 2. 1 – 4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.
O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?
Or cry to you 'Violence!'
and you will not save?
Why do you make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.
So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgement comes forth perverted
I will stand at my watch-post,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
Then the LORD answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come, it will not delay.
Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

'Whispers of Love'

Our Meditation group meets on Mondays at 10.00 am.

Reflection for Whispers of Love

How can we stay in solitude when we feel the deep urge to be distracted by people and events? The most simple way is to focus our minds and hearts on a word or a picture that reminds us of God. By repeating quietly: "the Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want", or by gazing lovingly at an icon of Jesus, we can bring our restless minds to some rest and experience a gentle divine presence. This doesn't happen overnight. It asks faithful practice. But when we spend a few moments every day just being with God, our endless distractions will gradually disappear. Henri Nouwen

Blessings Ann
Reverend Ann

Next - "Whispers of Love" 4th November
from 10.00 am to 10.45 am

Advent 2013 - Study Groups

There are planning sheets placed near the entrance to the Worship Space. Please take the opportunity to indicate your preferred day and time to be part of an Advent Bible Study group. We will form groups according to expressed need.

Possibilities for Advent Bible Studies may include...

- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday including a daytime and/or night time session
- Friday from 11.30am

Please take the opportunity to study Holy Scripture through Advent.



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS

Once again The Women's Fellowship will be baking puddings for Christmas.

This was a wonderful financial success for our Parish last year. It would be greatly appreciated if you could assist us with the costs by donating the following:

1kg Mixed Fruit, Dates, Crystallised Ginger, Stout

1Kg size \$18.00 – Small \$5.00

A list is on the notice board for your order

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

5th November Cost \$12.00. Time: 11.30 for 12.30pm

Lucky Door Prize - Hat Prizes - Fashion Parade

For catering purposes please write your name on the list on the notice board.

CHECK OUT THE CARD SHOP

Possible Advent and Christmas gifts and resources will be available from **Sunday 10th November.**

Watch this space!

DECEMBER MARKET DAY

PLEASE NOTE OUR MARKET DAY IN DECEMBER WILL BE HELD ON THE **SECOND SATURDAY – 14th DECEMBER**

Psalm 119. 137 - 144.

Righteous are you, Lord God:
and just are your judgements;

**The commands that you have commanded:
are exceedingly righteous and true.**

Zeal and indignation have choked my mouth:
because my enemies have forgotten your words.

**Your word has been tried in the fire:
and therefore your servant loves it.**

I am small and of no account:
but I have not forgotten your precepts.

**Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness:
and your law is the truth.**

Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me:
but your commandments are my delight.

**The righteousness of your commands is everlasting:
O give me understanding, and I shall live.**

**Glory to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
as in the beginning, so now and forever. Amen**

SPECIAL NOTE

**Wednesday evening Bible Study (Sacred Reading)
meets on Wednesdays at 5.30pm at Holy Trinity.**

**A reading from 2 Thessalonians
Chapter 1, verses 1 to 4, 11 – 12**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ:

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

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and
sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and
the love of every one of you for one another is increasing.
Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God
for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and
the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will
make you worthy of his call and will fulfil by his power every good
resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may
be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our
God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

Please pray for

Kim Hinder, Natalie, Anne, Joel, Angela, Desley Cook, Alana,
Catherine Tizard, Brian Ball, Gloria Townsend, Don Jaffray,
Brenden, Hal, Beverly, Nellie Morrison, Brigitte, Catherine,
Pat Moody, Ernest, Shirleigh Evans, Marie C.

We prayerfully remember
Donna McQueen and Beryl Collier Pye

There have also been improvements in education, gender
equality, and assistance for the most vulnerable children,
including orphans and children with a disability in the community.

Both communities are enriched through the ongoing sponsorship
of the children. The programmes enable the empowerment of the
local communities to be actively involved in improved health and
sanitation programmes, equip them with new / improved
education facilities and resources that promote learning, gender
equality, and also enable opportunities for all children, to
participate in educational learning and life skills. The community
is enhanced through the establish of new facilities, and newly
acquired knowledge that will allow for more productive
agriculture and animal husbandry skills, and an overall
improvement to the whole of the community.

Please refer to the notice board for the new progress reports of
Djibril and Siraj, and new photographs are also displayed.

Coralie Taylor - Mission Secretary

**Hauptwerk Digital Organ
RECITAL
SATURDAY, 7th DECEMBER AT 7.30pm**

Our Organist Chris Sillince is kindly organizing a concert to mark
the acquisition, installation and dedication of the
3 manual and pedal Hauptwerk Digital Organ.
Organists **Pastor de Lasala** and **Chris Sillince**, together with
brass and string players, will perform a wide-ranging
programme.

Tickets - \$30 & \$20.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the concert.
Enquiries to Chris Sillince on 0422 225 849.

Mission Report 3rd November 2013

World Vision

The Parish recently received the Annual Progress Reports of our two sponsored children.

Djibril is from the community of Mampatim, which is a populated place, located in the region of Kolda, Senegal. Djibril was unable to attend school this year, as he was required to help his father.

Sponsorship in this community contributes towards the fight against malnutrition of children and pregnant women. Through the World Food Programme, and other health programmes, the priority was to prevent and improve health through supplementation in Vitamin A to children, and immunisation vaccines to prevent TB, yellow fever, measles and polio.

Other programmes implemented included, a newly constructed facility for the production and storage of cereal grain, emphasising hygiene and safety. This was of high importance to the local community, as it ensured enriched infantile flour was produced for the 14 local distribution health sites. Child protection is also improving with the assistance of religious leaders and the commitment of the communities working together to support the well being and the rights of children in areas of HIV and AIDS.

Siraj Eberahim is from Maokomo, a Special Woreda (not part of any zone, an autonomous area) located in the Benishangui - Gumuz region of Ethiopia. It is bordered by The Sudan and South Sudan. Siraj attended school up to grade 3. He currently is unable to attend.

As a result of the work of World Vision in Maokomo, the children are able to access and enjoy clean water, and improved health and sanitation in their community. The community is highly dependent on agriculture for their livelihood.

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, Chapter 19. 1 - 10.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, **'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.'**

So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' Then Jesus said to him, **'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'**

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE GIFTS TO THE SAMARITANS PURSE APPEAL WHICH DISTRIBUTES GIFTS TO CHILDREN WHO MAY OTHERWISE NEVER EXPERIENCE THE GENEROSITY OF CHRISTMAS GIVING AND ALL THAT MEANS! BG

From the Rector

At the very heart of the Gospel of God is God's gift, in grace, of healing, life-sustaining, transforming human/divine relationship. Each of us can know, intimately, a loving relationship with God, through Jesus Christ the Holy Spirit. Each of us can know, even through the grave (that ultimate expression of human frailty and finitude), and as we thoroughly surrender our will before God's throne of grace, perfection oneness with Jesus, immersed in the perfect peace and wholeness of God, yet paradoxically fully alive in the dignity of liberated personhood. God's Gospel indeed!

One the absolutely pivotal understandings of God's Gospel, which we should pursue is that of the nature of God. **Who is this God who is so stunningly revealed in the life and work of Jesus? It follows that as we comprehend God's nature we can perhaps begin to grasp why and how he has created and intimately and personally participated in human salvation history.**

Consider some of the Gospel readings which the Common Lectionary has listed for our recent Sunday worship and consideration. Often they have been presented in the challenging context of worldly wealth and exercise of power and influence. From within this context I wish to suggest that the following themes have emerged...

- **Generosity of Spirit**

God is an extravagantly selfless, humble, gracious and generous God inviting us to respond, in our relationship with God, self and others, with **Christ-like selflessness, humility, grace and generosity of spirit**. Therein is a stunning statement of the nature of God who saves and a compelling call upon our own lives, attitudes and behaviour daily. Our moral imperatives are clear and challenging and typically contrary to the ways of the world.

- **Costly discipleship**

The Jesus story embraces **the vulnerability of the Christ-child** (doctrine of the incarnation); **the obedience and servanthood** and Jesus' public ministry (the kenotic Christ); and the paradox of sovereign God redeeming humanity in the **humility, selflessness, and unconditional, sacrificial love** manifest in the mock trial, sustained humiliation and vicious crucifixion of Jesus. God's gift of healing and life-giving relationship was costly and, in the face of the ways of the world and spirit of the age, Christian discipleship is not cheap, cursory, partial and trivial. God, in the passion and crucifixion of Jesus, did not try to control the world or overpower the assassins but chose to dwell in the galling midst of our depravity and our human capacity to degrade and destroy and then, in his timing, to transform the worst we could do into the very eternal truth of God's new beginnings!

- **Relationships which deeply treasure the person**

Jesus challenged the disciples, who remained demonstrably invested in the ways of the world, to look past the status of a person (especially if alluring) and the capacity of a person to exercise power and control, especially as it may serve us, and rather to treasure the truth of human vulnerabilities, frailties and precious God-breathed personhood.

- **Relationship which are sensitive to degradation, abuse, and atrophy and which intentionally work for God's righteousness and justice, in the gift of God's mercy.**

Resurrection points not only to God's nature ultimately perfecting our own but also to God seeking our participation in his relational gift for healing and hope, **now!** We should be, by nature, alert to suffering and injustice and available to respond with Christ-like, thus relational compassion. God's church should behave as gatherers into the beauty of God's kingdom and not self-serving, wilful individuals hurting and scattering.

