

Parish Directory

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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



Trinity Sunday
26th May, 2013

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity.

10.00am Eucharist
Hymns

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Our 3rd Annual Patronal Festival

Sunday 26th May

10am - Whole Parish Worship

...then after Worship – Cancer Council's
Biggest Morning Tea

12.30pm - Luncheon

6.00pm – Parish Fellowship at the Terrigal Bowlo

Please record your name on the booking sheet on our notice board

THIS WEEK

The Week of the Feast of the Blessed Trinity

Please note the following in your diary.

Monday to Friday – Morning Prayer at 8.00am

Monday 27th May

10.00-10.45am - 'Whispers of Love' [AW]

Tuesday 28th May

7.00pm - Trinity Band Practice

Wednesday 29th May

10.00am – Eucharist at Matthew John

Thursday 30th May

10.00am – Eucharist at Maxine Louise

Friday 31st May

10.30am - Holy Eucharist - the Founders' Chapel [AW]

Readings – Sirach 43.1-13, Ps. 149, Mark 11. 11-26

11.30am – Bible Study in Meeting Room [AW]

7.00pm - Trinity Teens at St George's Matcham

Saturday 1st June

Garden Working Bee

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

Pastoral Care (2nd Thursday at 10.00am); **Bible Study** (Friday at 11.30am); **Women's Fellowship** (2nd Monday at 1.00pm) and **Men's Fellowship** (3rd Thursday at 10.30am); **Gardening** (1st Saturday monthly); **Coffee and Craft** (3rd Tuesday at 1.00pm); **Children's Program** (9.30am Sunday), **Trinity Band** (rehearsal Tues. 7.00pm), **Trinity Teens** (Friday at 7.00pm in school terms at St George's Matcham); **'Whispers of Love' – a meditation** (Monday at 10.00am); **Messy Church** (3rd Sunday 3.30-5.30pm); **The Candle House**; **Parish Council** (2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm)

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ANGLICAN WOMEN HIGHLIGHTS

ANGLICAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE at Newcastle Cathedral,
Tuesday 4th June at 10.00am.

Guest Speaker – Pieta Thornton from 'Victims and Witnesses of Crime Court Support'. Please place your name on the noticeboard if you are planning to attend so we can organise car loads.

THANK-YOU BOXES: - This year's Thankyou Box Appeal will benefit Mission to Seafarers. Our little blue boxes are on the sidetable. Please help us to help our seafarers by filling these with your small change. This is ongoing until the September Spring Rally, however if you could fill one to be returned for the Conference, please return by 26th May.

ANGLICAN WOMEN SUNDAY will be held 28th July.

SPRING RALLY: - St. Christopher @ Bateau Bay,
Friday 6th September 10.00am

Note: The next Women's Fellowship Meeting will be held one week later- 17th June – due to the long weekend

The Tri Diocesan Covenant

This was previously arranged for 30 May, however it will now be celebrated with the Catholic Dioceses of Broken Bay and Maitland-Newcastle at a renewal service in

St John the Baptist Catholic Church Woy Woy
at 7.45pm on Wednesday 19 June.

Next Week

Second Sunday after Pentecost

2nd June, 2013 – Holy Eucharist

7.30am [AW/AW]; **9.30am** - [RH/AW]

Eucharistic Readings

1 Kings 18. 20-21, 30-39, Ps. 96, Galatians 1. 1-12, Luke 7. 1-10

Forward Planning

Tuesday, 28th May- Rector on leave until September 17th.

Sunday 2nd June - 6.00pm – Evensong

Tuesday 4th June – 10.00am - Anglican Women's Conference

Tuesday 4th June – 2.00pm – Tarragal Glen Eucharist – B. Flood

Tuesday 11th June – 7.30pm – Parish Council

Wednesday 12th June - 10.00am – Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert

Thursday 13th June – 10.00am – Pastoral Care Meeting

Saturday 15th June – Market Day

Sunday 16th June – 3.30pm-5.30pm – Messy Church

Monday 17th June – 1.00pm – Women's Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday 18th June – 1.00pm Craft and Coffee

Wednesday 19th June - 7.45pm – Tri Diocesan Covenant

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Woy Woy

Thursday 20th June – 10.30am – Men's Fellowship

ANGLICAN PARISH OF TERRIGAL

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WEEKLY GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT REALLY

HELPS TO SECURE OUR VIABILITY.

**A Reading from the Book of Proverbs
Chapter 8, verses 1 to 4, 22-31**

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
'To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.
The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—
when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.
When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

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

MARGARET GIBBS

The parish of Holy Trinity, Terrigal give thanks for the dedication and commitment Margaret gave to the Diocese as Executive Officer, Newcastle Anglican Schools Corporation. We pray that as Margaret retires from her position, many 'new beginnings' will continue to enrich her life and be a blessing to many.

ABM's Week of Prayer for Reconciliation (20th Anniversary) - 27th May - 3rd June

Prayer for Reconciliation

Lord God, bring us together as one,
reconciled with you and reconciled with each other.
You made us one in your likeness,
You gave us your Son Jesus Christ.
He has given us forgiveness from sin.
Lord our 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,
seconciled, healed, forgiven,
sharing you with others as you have called us to do.
In Jesus Christ, let us be together as one.
Amen.

This prayer was written by Bishop Malcolm Arthur and Mrs Colleen Arthur. It can be found in A Prayer Book for Australia on p. 203.

There are also some very informative and excellent resources for people who pray, which can be located at www.melbourne.anglican.com.au/mission

Sunday 2nd June - is the launch date for **Sip for Samaritans**, a project which raises awareness in the wider community, via some of the cafe's located in the Diocese. For each hot cup of refreshment, tea, coffee, etc...a donation of 20 cents is suggested to be offered towards the Sip for Samaritans winter appeal.

Christine DeGans has kindly agreed for the Op-Shop Cafe to support the Sip for Samaritans cause throughout that week. This provides a way for our parishioners and volunteers to be able to discuss with the people who come into our Parish Centre from the wider community, the missional work and services of the Samaritans, and of our Parish contributing by way of providing food, monetary support and also the time and service willingly offered to help those in need, by the many volunteers. It provides an opportunity, also, to speak of, and promote the good work of the many agencies of the Samaritans Foundation (many of which are not as well known to the public until the need arises), as well as upholding all servants in mission through continued prayer.

Throughout June, may I suggest, that if you are able to, please support the Sip for Samaritans appeal, through a free offering of a coin at morning tea. It would be greatly appreciated.

During the month of June, further information on the vital work and services of Samaritans will be highlighted.

Dates to mark in your diary

27th May - 3rd June is recognised as ABM's Week of Prayer for Reconciliation (20th Anniversary)

Monday 17th June - Women's Fellowship host BCA Nomads representative to speak at their meeting.

Sunday 28th July - Reverend Garry Dodd, the Newcastle Port Chaplain to the Mission to Seafarers will be at both morning services

Coralie Taylor, Mission Secretary

Psalm 104.26-36

O Lord our Governor:
how glorious is your name in all the earth!
**Your majesty above the heavens is yet recounted:
by the mouths of babes and sucklings.**

You have founded a strong defence against your adversaries:
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

**When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers:
the moon and the stars which you have set in order,**

What are we, that you should be mindful of us:
what are we, that you should care for us?

**Yet you have made us little less than gods:
and have crowned us with glory and honour.**

You have given us dominion over your handiwork:
and have put all things in subjection beneath our feet,

**All sheep and oxen:
and all the creatures of the field,**

The birds of the air and the fish of the sea:
and everything that moves in the pathways of the great waters.

**O Lord our Governor:
how glorious is your name in all the earth!**

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

**A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans
Chapter 5, verses 1-5**

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

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

The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

**A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John, Chapter 16, verses 12 – 15**

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

[Jesus said] **'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.**

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

Mission - 26th May

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE CANCER COUNCIL
BIGGEST MORNING TEA APPEAL TODAY.**

Many thanks to Anna Holt and the Women's Fellowship for their promotion, organisation, and support to this worthy cause. Everyone knows someone, a family member, a friend or work colleague, or has been diagnosed with one of the many forms of cancer. Let's help the Cancer Council in their work to find a cure, and in their support to those who are afflicted with serious illness.

SAMARITANS

As the colder months approach, please consider the needs of others in the community who are presently suffering under heavy burden, especially the homeless, the lower socio-economic struggling families, the unemployed and the elderly. Many find it difficult to meet the rising costs of living, and are faced with ongoing financial hardships, as they strive to provide food, shelter and clothing, and meet the costs of medical expenses, and schooling, or in urgent need of other services.

The Samaritans foundation has many agencies which seek to address the needs of the people in our communities. The Samaritans Winter Appeal raises money, so that they are able to reach out, and provide assistance through their many outreach programmes. As we become aware of the colder days, may we also consider the needs of others in our community.

Leaflets and donation envelopes are also available to those who would like to support the Samaritans Foundation in our Diocese.

Our Parish Samaritans link person is Anna Holt. Anna and Ellie Murphy both volunteer at the Wyoming Emergency Relief Centre. The centre, after careful assessment, provides emergency relief to the many people's experiencing financial hardship - offering food essentials, and vouchers for medical needs, etc, especially during highly stressful times in their life.

From the Rector

To follow are matters which I reported this week to your Parish Council...

“Parish Councillors are aware that Margaret and I, as from **Tuesday 28th May**, shall be commencing an extended period of leave (12 weeks long service leave and the balance being overdue recreational leave). I formally return to parish duties on **Tuesday 17th September**. I am very grateful to Reverend Ann Watson (appointed locum tenens) for her preparedness to serve the parish in my absence and to Father Roy Hazlewood and Reverend Richard Harvey for their support of Reverend Ann and their continuing service to the parish.

I shall be in the parish to conduct the marriage of Michelle Dodd and Grant Pericleos on **Saturday, 17th August** before Margaret and I travel to Devonport to visit family.

Regarding Diocesan matters, it is certain at this stage that a Special Synod will meet on **Saturday 25th May**. This Synod is charged with the responsibility of amending the **Diocesan Clerical Ministry Ordinance** so to facilitate more effective processes for electing a Bishop. Once an amended Ordinance is in place the present Diocesan Administrator will then be able to convene an Electoral Synod, given that the present Ordinance requires a ninety day lead time for calling, nominating and preparing for an election. It may be that the next Electoral Synod may be as early as **13th / 14th / 15th September**, in which event I shall have to return to duty early.

Parish Consultation - Saturday, 4th May

Parishioners were called to a Parish Consultation which was held on **Saturday, 4th May from 9.00am to 4.00pm**. It was earnestly hoped that this time together as a faith community would be an opportunity for our parish jointly to share a process which would eventually generate a statement of identity and vision leading to goals and strategic planning.

VALE JOAN ELIZABETH WRIGHT

On Sunday evening our beloved parishioner of over sixty years, Joan Elizabeth Wright, gently passed away. Joan made a profound contribution to the parish over her many years of faithful service. She is remembered as a gentle, loyal, dynamic, faithful, creative servant of God whose profound Christian pilgrimage blessed so many.

Joan's Memorial Service took place in Holy Trinity on Thursday, 23rd May. Geoff and Margaret Grenfell are most grateful to all who have been so prayerfully supportive and especially those who offered such gracious hospitality on the occasion of Joan's farewell.

'Whisper of Love' - a meditation

Every Monday - 10.00am to 10.45am

'Let us open our eyes to the light that comes from God, and our ears to the voice from heaven that every day call out this charge.

'If today you hear God's voice, harden not your hearts'

Rule of St Benedict.

Please pray for

Sandra, Channelle, Angela, Pat T. Anne, Natalie, Sam, Kim Hinder, Bbaby Charli, Patricia T., Catherine Tizard, Ray Stone, Sharon Bramwell, Reg Gill, Simon Argue, Beth Hazelwood, Laurel Fox. Mark, Val, Margaret Lorraine, Peter and Mary, Elsie Patterson, Margaret, Joel, Caroline Fraser

Such a process, **the process itself being an essential element**, ordinarily should facilitate a body of knowledge, clarity of thought, shared decisions and ownership of deep seated big ideas which both seed and test decision-making at all levels.

Fr Roy, serving as chaplain for the day, began our time together with prayer and called us to prayer throughout the day. We then spent a significant amount of time reading and reflecting upon relevant Holy Scripture and seeking guidance and inspiration as we entered into a process of naming our identity, vision and goals.

Thus centred, we then considered how we would respond if someone asked us who we are as a parish and what we did. What is our reason for being? How do we live who we truly are, day by day, as individuals and community? Obviously these deliberations go to our awareness of who we are and how deliberately and subconsciously we ought to live according to our identity.

It follows too that our lived identity defines and energises our focuses and what we do about them. Having mused with big ideas the participants of our Parish Consultation were asked to share some of the highlights of our existing parish profile and experiences.

Then all were asked to share ideas which may help us to name our identity and attributes of such an identity. **How would we like others to know and experience us?**

The ideas generated in this 'brainstorming' were recorded without omission, variation or judgement. After a break all were asked to place a tick against those ideas (typically around three each) which we should further consider in greater depth and which should not be lost as the process continues to emerge.

(e) A centre where common interest groups are available to anyone who wishes to join and thereby enabling newcomers to feel that they belong. For many people who are outside the church culture, who know nothing of church tradition and very little about the Scriptures or worship the feeling of belonging is important in this age of individualism. This is an age where we have the freedom to go our own way and yet there is an innate desire to belong to one another. In many cases this feeling of belonging leads to faith and faith development. Faith is developed to the point where the person believes in the presence of Jesus in the heart and not just things about Jesus.

(f) A centre for hospitality that means loving strangers. "Hospice" means "a safe place". Hospitality, then, means providing a safe place for strangers to experience kindness, acceptance and love. We can read about Jesus' command to love one another but the only way to learn about love is to love. To love in Jesus' way requires commitment. A centre for hospitality provides the opportunity to fulfil that commitment and to learn to love the stranger in our midst

Creating community

(1) It is wise to remember that creating a church community that covers the bases (a) to (f) above will not be easy. In fact, it is a continuing process that is never completed because of the changing nature of the church community. There are several reasons for this difficulty to create community. They include:

The difficulty of giving up control. Where there is such a diversity of groups as outlined above along with cultural and social diversity differences can arise that can only be resolved by listening to one another, taking all sides seriously, reaching an agreement and abiding by it.

The fact that leadership is challenged. This means giving up power. Handing over leadership in each of the above "centres (a) to (f)" enables people to do ministry and not just to receive it. / *to be continued*

Some Material Shared at the Recent Parish Consultation ...an extract from Fr Roy's musing.

Creating Community

"Christian communities continue the work of Jesus. They are sent to be a presence to people who are living in darkness and despair. The people who come into these communities also respond to the call and the cry of the weak and the oppressed. They enter into the covenant with Jesus and the poor. They meet Jesus in them"

Jean Vanier

Goals for the community

There are a number of goals that a congregation keeps firmly in mind as it goes about its life. It must be:

(a) A centre for prayer and spirituality, where people are taught to pray and to deal with life spiritually. In order for this to happen, the basis from which the parish clergy work in ministry is to lead a life of prayer themselves and to lead the congregation in a life of prayer. In order for the members of the community to be taught to deal with life spiritually, the individual leaders need to wrestle with spiritual matters in their own lives in order to bring something to the group. People need to know and feel that God is real and that they live in the presence of God

(b) A centre for education and teaching showing a concern for life issues such as parenting, keeping a job, maintaining relationships in the work place and with partner, family and friends and dealing with ageing parents.

(c) A community of faith that has a real, living relationship with God in Christ. It is, also, a centre for faith development with opportunities for further teaching on theological and biblical issues through small group discussion, lectures and sermons based on the Scriptures.

(d) A centre for ministry and outreach into the secular community (the world of education, work and leisure).

Apart from worksheets, participants were given some key resources for ongoing consideration. First was the collection of **Scriptural extracts**. Also distributed was a paper written by Fr Roy entitled "**Towards a parish mission statement**"; a collection of **extracts from various authoritative sources**; and a collection of **various documents and statements which have appeared in the pew bulletin** over the last couple years. The hope is that this process has placed Scriptural warrant and the discipline of prayer at heart of our deliberations; has opened a conversation towards an open and honest situation analysis and understanding of our aspirations; has commenced an intentional immersion in the insights, concepts and examples of experienced others; and has recommended a categorical language to shape our responses, viz., **identity, vision, goals**, and subsequent, ongoing **strategic planning**.

Where to from here? *Perhaps the next three months may be an ideal opportunity for individuals and groups prayerfully to immerse themselves in **Scriptural studies** and the **relevant ideas and examples** which are available.*

I pray that an openness to such broadly based input will begin to **illuminate and en flesh the categories** with which we are working.

Trinity Band

During this year I have been dialoguing with our faithful, loyal and inspiring Trinity Band to progress our management structures and to facilitate the development of our musicality and musical repertoire.

Subsequently Jeff Thompson has agreed to serve as Conductor. Mike Gosling has agreed to deputise. John Holt has accepted the position of Bursar and Max White will deputise.

With all parishioners I am thankful for the enduring gift of musical leadership which Trinity Band and Singers offer so faithfully.

Trinity Teens

Our Trinity Teens continue to meet very faithfully during term time. *However there has been no growth and the existence of the group has not of itself engendered wider support within the parish.* Externally we continue to exist in very crowded and aggressively competitive 'marketplace'.

The group has evaluated the experiences of last year and especially our experimental services. The hospitality and encouragement of many was appreciated. Notwithstanding the following observations are noteworthy –

1. The development and implementation of each service was very resource intensive and thus not easily replicated.
2. Developing the style would continue to compromise the nature of the 9.30am gathering.
3. It may well be profitable to consider exploring another time in which experimentation can occur in a relatively unrestricted environment.
4. The Teens want to explore forums other than worship and their own fellowship whereby other teens can be invited along to begin forming a non-threatening, enduring and wholesome Christian relationship.

During my leave The Reverend Ann has agreed to supervise Trinity Teens. The Teens are developing a list of activities to explore and which may be a prototype for 'missionary' work. The list includes...

- Games nights at Holy Trinity
- Outdoor sports on Sunday afternoon
- Night Tennis
- Cooking classes at Trinity (cup cakes, pizzas et al)
- Theme nights with games and dancing
- Barefoot Bowls
- DVD nights

W.H.&S.

Mike Gosling continues to audit our resources. He is currently testing and tagging. Heartfelt thanks Mike!

Utility space

I have flagged informally that I believe we should consider, as soon as possible, removing the shed collection and replacing it with a basket-ball sized multi-purpose building, with work rooms and storage space. This would provide ministry space for Youth Ministry, Market Days, outdoor gatherings, men's group space...and so on. If we think outside the square and develop a further ministry space which physically connects with our existing facility then that may modify the issues related to a possible Rectory development or at the very least sewerage arrangements and parking. Funding this possibility may be possible as we consider reserves and income.

Messy Church

Unquestionably Messy Church is a great blessing to our parish and a potential source of vitality and growth. Last Sunday the team assembled a wonderful array of activities which thoroughly engaged the young ones. The 'Messy Baptism' also engaged the children, and the young candidates (aged 9,7, & 5) entered into the sacrament very seriously.

Congratulations to our very inspired and inspiring, hard working Messy Church team. They are enduring and wrestling with the critical matter of holding the interest of newcomers until there is deep commitment. **Help is needed with prayer, additional personnel to support visiting and, as with Trinity Teens, a broad embrace by many parishioners to help with encouraging participation and follow-up. This is a core task!**

(The Reverend Canon) *Brian Gibbs*