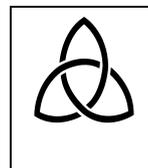


**The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle
The Parish of Terrigal**



**The Fourth Sunday in Lent
'Mothering Sunday'**

6th March, 2016

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity

7.30am – Sung Eucharist - *Presiding & preaching – Fr Mark*

9.30am - Holy Eucharist - *Presiding & preaching – Fr Mark*

Our Parish Identity

We are the body of Christ. His Spirit is with us.

Our Parish Vision

**We desire to shine as one in Christ
that God's will be done.**

A Reading from the book Joshua Chapter 5, verses 2-12.

At that time the LORD said to Joshua, 'Make flint knives and circumcise the Israelites a second time.' So Joshua made flint knives, and circumcised the Israelites at Gibeath-haaraloth. This is the reason why Joshua circumcised them: all the males of the people who came out of Egypt, all the warriors, had died during the journey through the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt. Although all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people born on the journey through the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised. For the Israelites travelled for forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the warriors who came out of Egypt, perished, not having listened to the voice of the LORD. To them the LORD swore that he would not let them see the land that he had sworn to their ancestors to give us, a land flowing with milk and honey. So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised; for they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way.

When the circumcising of all the nation was done, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. The LORD said to Joshua, 'Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.' And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were encamped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Hear the word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God**

Psalm: 32

Blessed are those whose sin is forgiven:
whose iniquity is put away.

**Blessed are those to whom the Lord imputes no blame:
and in whose spirit there is no guile.**

For whilst I held my tongue:

my bones wasted away with my daily complaining.

**Your hand was heavy upon me day and night:
and my moisture was dried up like a drought in summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you:

and my iniquity I did not hide;

**I said 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord':
and so you forgave the wickedness of my sin.**

For this cause shall everyone that is faithful
make their prayer to you in the day of trouble:
and in the time of the great water-flood,
it shall not come near them.

**You are a place to hide me in,
you will preserve me from trouble:
you will surround me with deliverance on every side.**

'I will instruct you, and direct you in the way that you should
go:

I will fasten my eye upon you, and give you counsel.

**'Be not like horse or mule, that have no understanding:
whose forward course must be curbed with bit and
bridle.'**

Great tribulations remain for the ungodly:
but whoever puts their trust in the Lord,
mercy embraces them on every side.

**Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and be glad:
and shout for joy, all you that are true of heart.**

**A Reading from the Second letter to the
Corinthians
chapter 5, verses 16 to 21**

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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I will rise and go to my father and tell him:

Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St Luke,
Chapter 15, verses 11–32.

Then Jesus said, 'There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate.

'Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never

disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found." ' "

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

'WHISPERS OF LOVE' MEDITATION GROUP

Monday 10.00am

A warm welcome to attend.

Reflection

The stream of our lives has a way of drying up at times, and ravens or angels are not always around to bring us food. The widow of Zarephath (1 Kings, Chapter 17) found herself in this dried-up state. She was gathering sticks to prepare a last meal for herself and her son before they died. It was then that the prophet appeared on the scene, asking for a drink of water. Her poverty did not prevent her from setting off to get the water; but when Elijah asked also for a scrap of bread, she was brought face to face with the reality of her emptiness. It is one thing to be empty, but when you are asked to feed someone out of your emptiness it can be terrifying. Then comes that lovely confession of her utter poverty, "I have only a handful of flour and a little oil . . ." How can you feed someone with so little? The physical poverty and emptiness in this very human, down-to-earth story parallels the spiritual and emotional emptiness that we so often experience at the table of daily life.

Let us pray that we never give up on our handful of flour and our little oil. When we believe in it, the little that we have has tremendous potential to increase. Our jar of meal will not run out. Our little oil shall last forever.

Adapted from '*A Tree Full of Angels*' Macrina Wiederkehr

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

The Week of the Fourth Sunday in Lent

Monday 7th March

10.00am - 'Whispers of Love'

Tuesday 8th March

8.00am – Morning Prayer

3.00pm – Eucharist at Tarragal Glen [*Revd. Ann*]

7.00pm – Trinity Band & Singers rehearsal

7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 9th March

8.00am – Morning Prayer

10.00am -Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert [*Fr. Mark*]

9.15am - 12.15pm - Maestro Possums [Multi-Purpose Room]

5.00pm - Holy Eucharist [*Fr. Roy*]

5.30pm - Sacred Readings [*Fr. Roy*]

Thursday 10th March

8.00am – Morning Prayer

10.00am - Pastoral Care Meeting

11.00am – Samaritans Link Day

Friday 11th March

8.00am – Morning Prayer

9.15am - 12.00pm - Maestro Possums [Multi-Purpose Room]

10.30am - Holy Eucharist [*Fr. Mark*] and morning tea

Readings – Wisdom 2.1, 12-22; Ps : 34.15-22; John 7: 1.2,10, 25-30

11.45am - Bible Study [*Fr. Mark*] – *Lenten Studies-[Walking Humbly with God]*

Saturday 12th March

10.00am – Garden Working Bee

3.30pm - Wedding - Nathan Rea and Lisa Timbrell

PARISH DINNER AT THE BOWLO

Sunday 6th March – 6.00pm

Please join us! For catering purposes we will need to have you place your name on the sign-up sheet on the board.

Next Sunday – 13th March, 2016

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

7.30am – Sung Eucharist *Presiding & preaching – Fr Mark- Organist - C. Sillince*

9.30am – Holy Eucharist *Presiding & preaching – Fr Mark - Music –Trinity Band & Singers*

Eucharistic Readings:

Isaiah 43.16-21; Ps. 126; Philippians 3.3 -14; John 12. 1-8.

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2016

Sunday 13th March – 11.30am – Parish Annual General Meeting

Monday 14th March - 1.00pm – Women’s Fellowship Meeting

Wednesday 16th March–10.30am– Eucharist at The Nursing Home(Aurrum)[*Fr.Mark*]

Thursday 17th March – 10.00am – Eucharist at The Pod [*Fr.Mark*]

Friday 18th March – 1.00pm – Market Day Preparations

Saturday 19th March – 8.00am – 1.00pm – Market Day

Sunday 20th March – 3.30pm – 5.30pm – Messy Church

Tuesday 22nd March 1.00pm – Coffee, Craft & Chat

Friday 25th March – Good Friday

Sunday 27th March – Easter Day

Saturday 2nd April – 10.00am – Messy Church Meeting

Saturday 2nd April – 6.00pm – ‘Praise + Music’

Tuesday 5th April - 2.00pm – Eucharist at Tarragal Glen [*Revd.Ann*]

Wednesday 6th April – 2.00pm – Interdenominational Serv. Tarragal Glen [*Fr. Mark*]

Monday 11th April – 1.00pm – Women’s Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday 12th April – 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Sunday 22nd May – Trinity Sunday – Women’s Fellowship Luncheon

PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - ELECTORAL ROLL

13th MARCH, 2016 at 11.30am

In order to vote at this meeting your name must be on the electoral roll. **This is a totally separate roll from the Parish Contact Book.** A list has been placed on the table outside the church for you to check if your name is on the roll. There are also forms to be completed if your name is not on this roll. Please complete the form and place it on the collection plate or give it to a sidesperson.

Thank you, Kyara Newport, Acting Parish Council Secretary

Please pray for

Fr. Stephen Pullin, Joel, Anne & Noel, Jim & Pat, Will & Marion,
Lesley & Lou, Keith Williams, Merv & Joan Singh, Ilara, Rachel,
Robert Vallance, Marie Hawes, Elsie Patterson, Simon Argue,
Baby Andre, Ron Readman, Martin Collett, Vern Tucker
Rain for New England Area

EASTER SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY 24th March

7.00pm Washing of Feet, Celebration of the Institution of the Lord's Supper,
Stripping of the Altar and Vigil of Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY 25th March

7.30am & 9.30am Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death
2.00pm Devotions at the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY 26th March

7.00pm Easter Vigil Ceremonies

EASTER DAY 27th March

7.30am & 9.30am Holy Eucharist

BCA BOXES

It is time to bring in your boxes for counting so the money can be forwarded to
BCA.

Thanks, Kath Connor-Brown

FLOWER ROSTER

The ladies who do the flowers for the church would love to have some more people to assist them. You would be rostered on approximately once per month and would have the full support of the current team members.

If you would feel you would like to support this ministry please speak to Jan Bolte, Jackie Davidson, or Kyara Newport. They would love to hear from you.

DONATE TO THE FIJI CYCLONE APPEAL

ABM is looking to raise \$10,000 to support the victims of the recent cyclone that hit Fiji over the weekend.

ABM is in discussion with the Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia (of which the churches in Fiji and Tonga are a part) and also with the Anglican Alliance about the most effective and efficient way to provide the necessary support.

Initial reports say that 29 people have died and there has been a lot of damage to homes and infrastructure.

Visit the [Anglican Board of Mission's](#) website to donate today.

MOTHERING SUNDAY

Mothering Sunday was originally a time when people returned to the church, in which they were baptized or where they attended services when they were children. This meant that families were reunited as adults returned to the towns and villages where they grew up. In time, it became customary for young people who were working as servants in large houses, to be given a holiday on Mothering Sunday. They could use this day to visit their own mother and often took a gift of food or hand-me-down clothing from their employers to her. In turn, this moved towards the modern holiday, on which people still visit and take gifts to their mothers.

Traditionally, people observed a fast during Lent. Lent is the period from Ash Wednesday until Good Friday. During the Lent fast, people did not eat from sweet, rich foods or meat. However, the fast was lifted slightly on Mothering Sunday and many people prepared a **Simnel** cake to eat with their family on this day.

Thank you to Jan Bolte and Maureen Hazlewood for making our Simnel cakes and to the Women's Fellowship for providing the flowers for our Ladies.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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The 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 – Holy Eucharist

6.00pm - 1ST Saturday in the month – ‘Praise + Music’

3rd Sunday in the month - Messy Church

between 3.30pm and 5.30pm

Weekly Worship at Holy Trinity

Tues to Friday - 8.00am - Morning Prayer

Friday at 10.30am - Eucharist

1st Tuesday at 2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist

2nd Wednesday at 10.00am - Tarragal House Eucharist/concert

3rd Wednesday at 10.30am - The Nursing Home Eucharist[Aurrum]

3rd Thursday at 10.00am - Eucharist at The Pod [Aurrum]

VARIOUS PARISH MINISTRIES

‘Whispers of Love’ - a meditation (Monday at 10.00am); Women’s Fellowship (2nd Monday at 1.00pm); Coffee and Craft (4th Tuesday at 1.00pm); Parish Council (2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm); Trinity Band (Rehearsal - Tuesday at 7.00pm) (Playing at the 9.30am Sunday - 2nd and 4th Sundays); Sacred Reading (Wednesday at 5.30pm); Bible Study (currently in recess); Pastoral Care (2nd Thursday at 10.00am); Bible Study (Friday at 11.30am); Messy Church Planning Meeting (1st Saturday at 10.00am) ; Gardening (2nd Saturday from 8.00am); Market Day (3rd Saturday from 8.00am)

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The Reverend Roy Hazlewood - 4393 0114

The Reverend Richard Harvey – 0422 109 262

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Keith Watson (4365 1065) - Rector's Warden

Terry Rowe (4365 0430) - People's Warden

Kyara Newport (4384 3997) - People's Warden

Parish Secretary - Kyara Newport (4384 3997)

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and each Saturday from 10.00am to 1.00pm**