The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle The Parish of Terrigal





Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity The Fourth Sunday in Lent Mothering Sunday 26th March, 2017



7.30am - Sung Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr. Mark Watson

9.30am - Holy Eucharist - Presiding & preaching - Fr. Mark Watson

11.00am - Lenten Bible Study

[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.

A Reading from the first book of Samuel Chapter 16: Verses 1 - 13.

The LORD said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the LORD said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the LORD." Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD.' But the LORD said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The LORD has not chosen any of these.' Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Psalm: 23.

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing. He will make me lie down in green pastures: and lead me beside still waters.

He will refresh my soul: and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me:

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

Surely your goodness and loving-kindness

will follow me all the days of my life:

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians, Chapter 5. 8 –14.

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light.

> Therefore it says, 'Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John, Chapter 9, verses 1-41

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' Jesus answered, 'Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.' When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, 'Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?' Some were saying, 'It is he.' Others were saying, 'No, but it is someone like him.' He kept saying, 'I am the man.' But they kept asking him, 'Then how were your eyes opened?' He answered, 'The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, "Go to Siloam and wash." Then I went and washed and received my sight.' They said to him, 'Where is he?' He said, 'I do not know.'

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, 'He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.' Some of the Pharisees said, 'This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.' But others said, 'How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?' And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, 'What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.' He said, 'He is a prophet.'

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, 'Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?' His parents answered, 'We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.' His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, 'He is of age; ask him.'

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, 'Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.' He answered, 'I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.' They said to him, 'What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?' He answered them, 'I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?' Then they reviled him, saying, 'You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.' The man answered, 'Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.' They answered him, 'You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?' And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' He answered, 'And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said to him, 'You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.' He said, 'Lord, I believe.' And he worshipped him. Jesus said, 'I came into this world for judgement so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.' Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, 'Surely we are not blind, are we?' Jesus said to them, 'If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, "We see", your sin remains.

> The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

FORM OF BLESSING OF THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS

The Book of the Gospels is brought forward by members of the Women's Fellowship.

The Priest says: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: Who has made heaven and earth.

Priest: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

People: Now and for ever. Amen.

Priest: Blessed are you O Lord, for you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Accept and +bless this Book of the Holy Gospels which we dedicate for the worship of your Holy Church and the building up of your holy people, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Book is sprinkled with holy water

MOTHERING SUNDAY – FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Because today we are halfway through our Lenten journey, it is sometimes called 'Mid-Lent Sunday'. It is traditionally a day to ease up on the Lenten discipline, hence another common name, 'Refreshment Sunday'. This tradition is seen in the simnel cake, and, in some churches, the wearing of rose-coloured vestments instead of purple ones.

In Latin, the name of the day is Laetare Sunday, from the opening word of the introit used on this day in the old Roman Missal: *Laetare*, or 'rejoice'.

In the sixteenth century, people were encouraged to return on this day to worship in the church in which they were baptised - their 'mother' church. If they still regularly worshipped at their home church, they would visit the cathedral instead, the mother church of their diocese. Hence the name 'Mothering Sunday'. In the Middle Ages, this day became a time when apprentices working away from home could visit their villages and perhaps take a present to their mothers, thus giving Mothering Sunday a family as well as a religious emphasis.

Another name sometimes used is 'Sunday of the Rose'. Formerly, the popes would send a golden rose to Roman Catholic sovereigns, and the rose was blessed on this day. Henry VIII of England received a golden rose on two occasions. Needless to say this was before his dispute with the pope and the separation of the Church of England from Rome!

Fr. Mark

WHISPERS OF LOVE Reflection

Silence has become a rare and precious commodity in this world. But without it, how can we ever get to know ourselves.

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

This Week FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Monday 27th March

10.00am - Whispers of Love [Revd. Ann]

Tuesday 28th March 8.45am – 1.30pm - Maestro Possums 7.00pm – Trinity Band & Singers Rehearsal

Wednesday 29th March

8.00am – Morning Prayer - 8.30am – Holy Eucharist [Fr. Mark]
5.00pm – Holy Eucharist [Fr. Roy]
5.30pm – Sacred Reading [Fr. Roy]

Thursday 30th March

8.00am – Morning Prayer - 8.30am – Holy Eucharist [Fr. Mark] 7.30pm Lenten Bible Study [Fr. Mark]

Friday 31st March

8.00am – Morning Prayer
8.45am – 1.30pm - Maestro Possums
10.30am - Holy Eucharist [Fr.Mark] and morning tea
Readings – Wisdom 2.1, 12-22; Psalm: 7. 6-12; John 7. 25-30
11.45am – Friday Lenten Bible Study [Fr. Mark]

Saturday 1st April

10.00am - Messy Church meeting

ITEMS LEFT AROUND THE CHURCH

From time to time there are certain articles left around the church property with no indication as to why they have been left there. These are not goods left for for the Op Shop or Market Day. Apart from the visual impact, they often pose a risk for someone to trip or fall. Occasionally they are placed in front of fire extinguishers or doorways which violates WHS standards. If there are items which need storing, please place them in the appropiate spaces rather than passageways, common areas, the Chapel or Sacristy. This will help our devoted and hardworking Op Shop staff and Market Day volunteers to organise things more easily. Thank you for your cooperation.

ABM Lent Appeal.

During Lent the parish will be supporting the ABM Lent Projects (Envelopes.) This weeks ABM project - **Gender & Governance Initiative in Zambia.**

ABM has been supporting its partner, Zambia Anglican Council, to improve gender equality outcomes across many parts of Zambia since 2011. The Church's Gender and Governance Program **addresses gender inequalities and Gender Based Violence,** including advocacy about women's rights with government, both within the Church itself and with the broader community.

The program has sought to confront cultural traditions, which deny women equal rights and change attitudes about girls being "sold" into early marriage upon the girl getting pregnant. It also aims to equip communities and parishes to learn about and develop skills to deal with Gender Based Violence at the local level.

Please support this project and help ABM change attitudes and behaviours about gender in Zambia.

Next Week : Church Growth in the Philippines

ABM Lent Appeal : Parish total to date \$140.00

Coralie Taylor - Mission Secretary

ANGLICAN WOMEN OF AUSTRALIA Provincial Conference 2017 Theme: Thanksgiving for the Ministry of Women

Anglican Women of the Diocese of Newcastle will be hosts for the Bi-Annual Provincial Conference for A.W.A. Members from many Dioceses in Australia including some from overseas (U.S and Southern Africa)
 All Anglican women and their spouses are invited & welcome to attend the conference.

Date: 5-8th June, 2017. Conference fees: full conference \$275 (plus accommodation) - Wednesday only - \$50.

Further information is on the notice board or contact Irene Neville for registration form or more information on 4365 3782 or 0408 680 269

Next Sunday – 2nd April, 2017 Fifth Sunday in Lent

7.30am – Sung Eucharist Presiding & Pearching– Fr. Mark - Organist –Chris Sillince
 9.30am – Holy Eucharist Presiding & Preaching – Fr. Mark
 Organist – Sharon Sandstrom
 11.00 – Lenten Bible Study – Fr. Mark

Eucharistic Readings:

Ezekiel 37. 1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8. 6-11; John 11: 1-45

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2017

Sunday 2nd April - 6.00pm – Parish Dinner at the Bowlo Friday 7th April – 1.00pm – 3.00pm – Market Day Set up Saturday 8th April – 8.00am – Garden Working Bee Saturday 8th April - 8.00am – 1.00pm – Market Day (1 week earlier) Sunday 9th April – Palm Sunday Monday 10th April – 1.00pm – Women's Fellowship Meeting Friday 14th April – Good Friday Saturday 15th April - 8.00am – Parish Clean up working bee Sunday 16th April – Easter Day Sunday 7th May – Concert – Cathy Aggett (Soprano) with pianist Sunday 7th May – 6.00pm – Parish Dinner at the Bowlo Monday 8th May– 1.00pm – Women's Fellowship Meeting Saturday 13th May – 8.00am – Garden Working Bee

Please pray for

Barbara Matthews, Paul Catanzariti, Joel, Denise King Keith Williams, Joan & Norm Williams, Vern Tucker, Enid Marvin, Keval Murphy, Keith Watson, Kate Ross, Col Taylor, Merv & Joan Singh, Riley

HOLY TRINITY EASTER SERVICES 2017

MAUNDY THURSDAY 13th April

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

GOOD FRIDAY 14th April

9.00am Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death2.00pm Devotions at the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY 15th April

7.00pm Easter Vigil Ceremonies

EASTER DAY 16th April

7.30am & 9.30am Holy Eucharist

PARISH CLEAN UP WORKING BEE- SATURDAY 15TH APRIL - 8.00AM

Easter is a time to prepare for a new beginning, let us all come together to give our beautiful building a loving clean ready for Easter Day. Join us in friendship, you don't need to do heavy lifting. Many hands will make light work.

EASTER CARDS

Please investigate the wonders of our book shop and purchase your Easter Cards.

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Parish Opportunity Shop

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