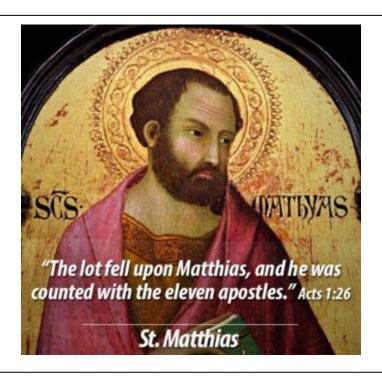


# Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal Matthias, Apostle and martyr 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2019



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

Organist – Chris Sillince

Hymns: TIS 150, 598, 501, 455(v 1,2,5,7,8)

Postlude:

9.30am - Holy Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching - Fr Mark Watson

**Trinity Band and Singers** 

Hymns: TIS 465, 468, 534, 648

[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.

#### **Sentence**

Jesus said, 'You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide.

John. 15.16

#### **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God,
who chose your faithful servant Matthias
to be numbered among your twelve apostles
in the place of Judas:
preserve your church always from false apostles,
so that it may be guided by true and faithful pastors;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

# A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Chapter 1, verses 14 – 17, 20 – 26

All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

'For it is written in the book of Psalms,
"Let his homestead become desolate,
and let there be no one to live in it";
and

"Let another take his position of overseer."

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 84

How lovely is your dwelling-place: O Lord God of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even your altar, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house: they will always be praising you.

Blessed are those whose strength is in you: in whose heart are the highways to Zion;

Who, going through the valley of dryness, find there a spring from which to drink: till the autumn rain shall clothe it with blessings.

They go from strength to strength: they appear, every one of them, before the God of gods in Zion.

### O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God, him who reigns over us: and look upon the face of your anointed.

# One day in your courts is better than a thousand: I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and a shield, the Lord gives favour and honour: and no good thing will he withhold from those who walk in innocence.

## O Lord God of hosts: blessed are those who put their trust in you.

## A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians Chapter 3, verses 13 – 21

Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ

Jesus. Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. Only let us hold fast to what we have attained.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

Hear the word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go out and bear fruit that will last.

#### Alleluia!

## The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John , Chapter 15, verses 9 - 17

#### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because

the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

For the Gospel of the Lord

#### **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

#### Prayer in time of drought.

All things look to you, O Lord,
to give them their food in due season:
look in mercy on your people,
 and hear our prayer for those whose lives and possessions
 are threatened by drought.
In your mercy restore your creation and heal our land.
So guide and bless your people,
 that we may enjoy the fruits of the earth
 and give you thanks with grateful hearts,
through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.** (from *A Prayer Book for Australia*, p. 205).

#### Please pray for

Barbara Matthews, Maureen H, Joan and Norman Williams, Bill Howard, Joel, Paul C, Pat Jessup, George Jessup, Jan, Wendy and Alan Eades, Jean Easy, Lynn Cooke, Paul Naylor, Isabel Horsley, Val King, Sarah Thomas, Ken Hope, Carmen McGee, Tony Cronin, Margaret Willard, Bill Moss

#### **CELEBRATING SPECIAL DAYS**

Our society is obsessed with time: how we can use it better, how we can get more done in less time. We've become experts in 'multi-tasking'. When daylight savings begins or ends, we adjust not only our watches (if we still wear them), but all the digital clocks on our appliances – the microwave, the TV, the stereo. Time rules – or tyrannizes – our lives. Time is precious. "Time is money." "Time waits for no man." The emphasis is frequently on using time as a means to an end – usually financial or economic.

As part of God's creation, we humans have always been aware of time – the changing of the seasons, night and day – and we rejoice in the variety and movement of these natural cycles. Woven into these cycles, the religions of the world have their own seasons that celebrate and commemorate different aspects of their understanding of God.

Over time, the liturgical calendar has evolved, forming a rhythm which orders the church's life in a structure of fasts and feasts that form and shape Christians after the pattern of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The main festivals of Christmas and Easter have become more commercialised, reducing their spiritual significance for many people, including Christians.

I was brought up in a denomination that, apart from the observance of Christmas, Good Friday and Easter, gave little attention to the church year. One of the features that always attracted me to the Anglican Church was the liturgical calendar. It gave a shape and structure, not only to worship, but to my spiritual life. It is a precious gift that may not always be appreciated by 'cradle' Anglicans. I've discovered that the major festivals have become for too many an opportunity for a short break in the working year, and many lesser feasts are ignored or unknown.

Entering into the seasons and festivals of the church year with joy liberates us from the tyranny of time. We make room for God and become more attuned to the rhythm of our souls, not simply the dictates of the clock or calendar. Experiencing the highs and lows, the light and darkness of the liturgical cycle, frees us from the banality of modern life with its time pressures.

When he was Assistant Bishop of Newcastle, the Rt Rev'd Graeme Rutherford delivered a lecture on religious communities in the 21<sup>st</sup> century at Bateau Bay. He said one of the contributions of religious communities is a biblical call to a 'spirituality of withdrawal'. This is seen in their witness to:

- the priority of prayer and worship
- the importance of building authentic community
- the need for rest and tranquility
- the need for ongoing conversion
- the experience of loss through detachment

We don't have to be members of a religious community to engage in those practices. There are many opportunities to withdraw and to engage in them as members of this Parish.

Today, we celebrate St Matthias. All of us are called to be saints, holy ones, in our following of Christ. The priesthood, the Eucharist, the other sacraments, works of mercy and charity, are all designed to make us saints. The daily Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer provide us the opportunity to hear the scriptures and pray as part of the rhythm of our spiritual lives.

I encourage you to value these precious gifts that have been given to us.

Fr Mark

#### 'Whispers of Love' Meditation

#### Reflection:

Christ has no body now but yours, no hands but yours, yours are the eyes through which Christ's compassion must look out on the world.

Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which He is to bless us now.

Teresa of Avila.

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

#### **WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP NEWS**

Next Friday, 1st March at 10.00am the World Day of Prayer is being held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, East Gosford. This is a time when people from all denominations gather to pray for our world. It is a morning service and all are welcome. If you would like to attend please let Irene Neville or myself know. Transport can be arranged. A notice regarding this is separate in the pew bulletin. We would love to have a good representation from our parish.

The Annual General Meeting of Women's Fellowship was held last week and a number of ladies retired from positions. Currently we do not have a secretary. This position is not a large one as we are only a small group. It is mainly taking minutes, typing them so they can be printed. Very basic. If you feel you would be able to assist in this ministry would you please speak to me or ring me on 4367 6066. The ladies would be very grateful.

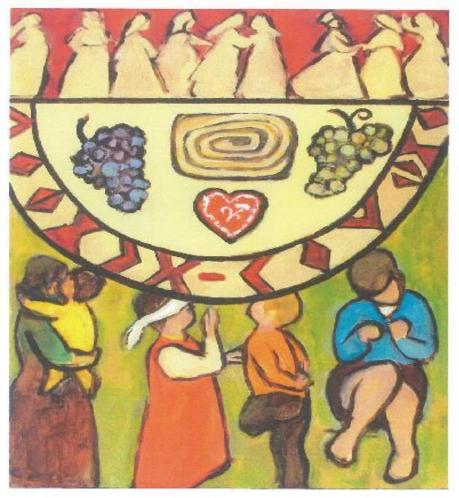
Bev Broadley, President.



#### World Day of Prayer—March 2019

#### SLOVENIA

#### 'Come—Everything Is Ready'



Date

Friday 1st March, 2019

"All" WE I COME

Time

10am

Place

St. Patrick's Church 76 York St. East Gosford

Please contact Irene Neville on 43653782 for more information



#### **Ash Wednesday - Palm Crosses.**

Ash Wednesday 6th March marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. This is a Season of penance, contrition, reflection and fasting, a period of 40 days for us to prepare for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. During this preparation, we are reminded, that **God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts.** 

Each year the Ashes are prepared using the blessed Palm Crosses from the previous year's Palm Sunday Service.

The symbolic marking of foreheads with ashes, to humble our hearts, remind us that life passes away on Earth. "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return'. Gen. 3:19

A Bowl has been placed on the Side table in the gathering space for the collection of the Palm Crosses. Could you please bring your Palm Crosses from last year to place in the bowl, so that they can be prepared and burned as part of the Parish preparations for this year's Ash Wednesday services.

#### TRINITY BAND AND SINGERS

If you play an instrument, especially the guitar, you would be a welcome addition to our already faithful group of musicians. Even if you are a beginner, or a bit rusty, our experienced musicians will give you lots of encouragement and support.

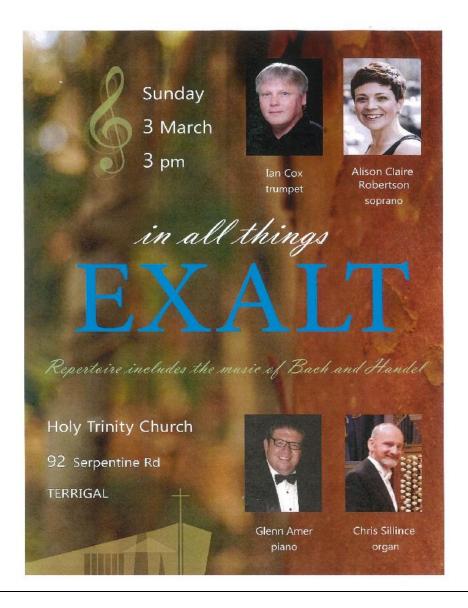
We rehearse on Tuesdays between 7.00 and 8.00pm beginning this year on the 29th January.

Call Libby, if interested, on 0431315085

#### Concert Sunday 3rd March at 3.00pm.

The first concert for the year. The performers will be Ian Cox (Trumpet), Glen Amer (Piano & Organ), Alison Robertson (Soprano) and Chris Sillince (Organ).

Cost: \$20.



#### Rosters for 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019

#### 7.30am

Greeter	Sidesperson	Readers	Servers
Charlotte and Eva	Toni Stanley	Margaret	Rhonda Kiss
Martin		MacLachlan	Margaret
		Neil Ewer	MacLachlan

#### 9.30am

Greeter	Sidesperson	Readers	Servers
Libby Harvey	Laurie Meakins	Anna Holt	Coralie Taylor
David Harvey		John Holt	
	<b>Counting Roster</b>		
Morning Tea	Countin	g Roster	Flowers
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#### Next Sunday – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019

#### **Eighth Sunday after Epiphany**

- 7.30am Sung Eucharist Presiding & Preaching Fr Mark Watson
  Organist Chris Sillince
- 9.30am Holy Eucharist Presiding & Preaching Fr Mark Watson
  Organist Sharon Sandstrom

**Readings:** Isaiah 55. 10-13, Psalm – 92. 1-4, 12-15, 1 Corinthians 15. 51-56

**Gospel** Luke 6. 39-49

#### **This Week**

#### Monday 25th February

Meditation – Whispers of Love – Rev Ann

#### Tuesday 26th February

**8.00am** – Morning Prayer – *Rev Ann* **7.00pm** - Trinity Band and Singers

#### Wednesday 27th February 2019

George Herbert, parish priest, poet (d.1633)

**8.00am** – Morning Prayer – *Fr Mark* 

**5.00pm** - Holy Eucharist (Fr Roy)

**5.30pm** - Sacred Reading (Fr Roy)

#### Thursday 28th February 2019

**8.00am** – Morning Prayer – *Fr Mark* 

#### Friday 1st March 2019

David, bishop of Menevia, Wales (d. 601)

**8.00am** – Morning Prayer – *Fr Mark* 

**10.30am** - Holy Eucharist [Fr Mark] and morning tea Readings – Sirach 6:5-17, Psalm 119:17-24; Mark 10:1-12.

**11.45am** – Bible Study – *Fr Mark* 

#### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019

Chad, bishop of Lichfield, missionary (d.672)

10.00am – Messy Church Planning Meeting

#### 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

3<sup>rd</sup> 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
Every Wednesday at 5.00 pm - Eucharist
3rd Thursday at 10.30am - Eucharist at The Pod [Aurrum]
4<sup>th</sup> Friday - 11.00am - Eucharist at Woodport Aged Care
VARIOUS PARISH MINISTRIES

'Whispers of Love' - a meditation (Monday at 10.00am); Women's Fellowship (2nd Monday at 1.00pm); Parish Council (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7.30pm); Trinity Band (Rehearsal - Tuesday at 7.00pm) (Playing at the 9.30am Service - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays); Sacred Reading (Wednesday at 5.30pm); Pastoral Care (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 10.00am); Bible Study (Friday at 11.45am); Messy Church Planning Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10.00am); Gardening (2nd Saturday from 8.00am); Market Day (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday from 8.00am)

Parish contact - (02) 4365 1115 or mobile 0427 135 771

Holy Trinity Opportunity Shop ... contact (02) 4365 1280 Parish Website – <u>www.terrigalanglican.org.au</u>

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