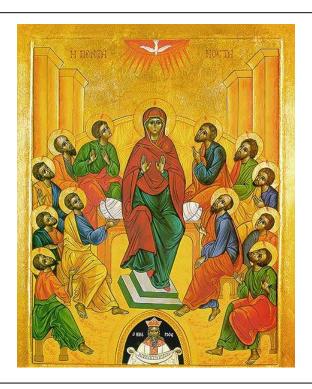


Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal Feast of Pentecost 31st May, 2020



7.30am - Sung Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching - Fr Mark Watson
Organist - Chris Sillince

Hymns: TIS

English Organ Postlude:

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

Trinity Band and Singers
Hymns: TIS

[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.

Ten people attended the Eucharist at 10am last Wednesday in the Founders' Chapel. It was wonderful to be back together for worship. The same pattern will be followed this Wednesday 3rd June at 10am. The booking process will be the same as last time. If you attended last Wednesday we would request you not book for this service to give others a chance to be present.

Fr Mark

SAFE RETURN TO CHURCH FRAMEWORK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

The gradual easing of COVID-19 restrictions by the NSW State Government allows for places of worship to have gatherings of up to 10 people in attendance. We are currently in **Step One** of the re-opening phase.

The Bishop's approval is required before we are able to conduct services. **Step One** allows for weekday services limited to **ten people** (this number does not include the priest conducting the service and the Church warden or other authorised parish representative).

We are planning for a service to be held, during Step One, on **Wednesday morning at 10:00am, in the Chapel.**

The following measures must be in place before we are able to hold services:

- 1. A booking and registration process. Parishioners wishing to attend a service are invited to book by telephone to Fr Mark Watson, on 0434 431 400.
- 2. Parishioners who wish to attend a service must give assurance that they are not sick and that they **will** adhere to social distancing guidelines and the use of hand sanitiser.
- 3. On the day of a service, the names and contact details of those attending will be recorded.

- 4. The entrance near the Founders' Chapel will be used and services will be held in the Chapel.
- 5. Social distancing rules must be observed when entering and exiting the church, including no queuing at doorways.

 Seating will be adjusted to ensure social distancing. Spaces that can be used will be marked.
- 6. Social distancing must be maintained during the service. All persons regardless of whether they are part of one household need to sit separately on allocated seating.
- 7. The Chapel will be cleaned before and after every service.
- 8. All attendees must use the Hand sanitiser provided on their way into and out of the Church building.
- 9. Air conditioning will not be used, and windows will be open to ensure adequate airflow.
- 10. There will be no morning tea or refreshments.
- 11. We ask that parishioners do not use toilets. Only the disabled toilet will be available for emergencies.

The following liturgical practices have been stipulated by the Bishop:

- There must be no physical contact during the Greeting of Peace, only a verbal greeting.
- A distance of 1.5 metres between people is required at all times.
- Orders of service will be printed on single use sheets.
- There is no communal singing at this stage.
- Offertories can be deposited in a plate at the door before the service and sanitising one's hands.
- Holy Communion will be administered as bread alone. Only the priest will use the chalice. The Host will be placed in the hands of the communicant.
- People waiting to receive the Sacrament must stand 1.5 metres from another person. The only time this distancing can be relaxed is the moment of receiving communion.
- The duration of the liturgy will be no more than 60 minutes.

I realise much of the above seems bureaucratic and maybe even unwarranted, but for the time being it is necessary to ensure our safety. I look forward to hearing from you.

Fr Mark

Fr. Roy writes: I am writing this on Tuesday and what a change there has been in the weather when last week we sat in sun and contemplated God's creation around us. This week we are inside the house, in the warm and I am contemplating LOVE and a particular way to use it. Love is a gift of the Holy Spirit that is given to us as we respond to God's love for each and every one of us. We respond with our love for God, other people and ourselves. Evangelism with love in your heart for others to know the Risen Christ is an important part of a Christian's life. Here is your challenge. Between now and Trinity Sunday, 7th June and after that date, pray any number of times each day, individually, by name, for four friends who do not know the Risen Lord that they may know Him and have their lives changed with the salvation, love and freedom that Christ brings. Here is a prayer to use:

Loving God,
Thank you for your love,
I pray that my four friends,
Would open their hearts
To your love. AMEN.
(adapted from prayer of the Archbishop of Canterbury)

Sentence

'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,' says the Lord; 'and let the one who believes in me drink. For out of your heart shall flow rivers of living water.'

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God,
at the feast of Pentecost
you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
empower us with that same Spirit
to witness to your redeeming love
and draw all people to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Numbers, chapter 11, verses 24 - 30

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!' And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 104, verses 26 - 36

Lord, how various are your works: in wisdom you have made them all, and the earth is full of your creatures.

There is the wide, immeasurable sea: there move living things without number, great and small;

There go the ships, to and fro: and there is that Leviathan whom you formed to sport in the deep.

These all look to you: to give them their food in due season.

When you give it to them, they gather it: when you open your hand they are satisfied with good things.

When you hide your face, they are troubled: when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

When you send forth your spirit they are created: and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever: may the Lord rejoice in his works.

If he look upon the earth, it shall tremble: if he but touch the mountains, they shall smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live: I will praise my God while I have any being.

May my meditation be pleasing to him: for my joy shall be in the Lord.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles chapter 2, verses 1 – 21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Alleluia, **alleluia!**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 20, verses 19 – 23

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Prayer in time of life-threatening illness (A Prayer Book for

Australia, p. 691)

God our refuge,

when human resources fail,

you alone remain our sure hope and defence.

In the knowledge of your love, grant us courage.

We place ourselves in your hands,

confident that nothing can separate us from your love,

in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for those suffering severe illness (adapted from *A Prayer Book for Australia,* p. 692)

Healing Spirit,

we pray for those suffering from serious diseases and for those who are terminally ill, and those living with the COVID-19 virus.

We pray for skill and patience for the doctors and nurses who care for them. We pray that their relatives and friends may be strengthened and comforted.

May their faith not falter as they support each other through testing times.

We pray for those engaged in research that by your inspiration and their skill the scourges of this generation may be overcome.

Help us to live in your way

and to seek health in body, mind and spirit. Amen.

FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATE

Brothers and sisters in Christ, just a reminder that the current measures during the COVID-19 pandemic for our protection are temporary, not permanent. The world and the church have been through challenging times before and we will survive this too. Things will probably be different after. Many church leaders are asking, "What is God showing us during this time?"

While technology is a wonderful gift and enables us to see and hear our families and loved ones and to share to some degree in the prayer and worship of the church, we remember that the Church, the sacraments and the people of God are tangible, material, physical. This includes our financial stewardship. Jesus spoke about the use of material possessions more than any other subject. During this time, churches are affected by the economic stress felt by the rest of society.

A very small number of people have taken up the invitation to use electronic giving. In March, the income for the Parish was \$8,870.74, expenditure was \$18,272.91 leaving a shortfall of \$9,402.17. in April, the income was \$2,143.32, expenditure was \$13,917.38 leaving a shortfall of \$11,773.86. As I said, expenses have not ceased since social isolation. Op Shop and market days have been suspended. As stated previously, the Bishop said that electronic giving is the key to sustaining financial viability. I encourage you to prayerfully consider giving electronically.

Direct debit details of accounts:

ASDF Account Parish of Terrigal BSB:705-077

Account Number: 00040934

Or

Westpac Bank

Account Name: Anglican Church of Australia, Parish of Terrigal

BSB: 032-545

Account Number: 16-9152

If you require help transferring to electronic giving please do not hesitate to contact our treasurer Terry Rowe and/or wardens for assistance. If you have any questions, please ask me or one of the Wardens.

Every blessing Fr Mark

Please pray for

Barb Matthews, Graeme Patterson, Ken Hope, Norm Williams, Emma Horton, Isobel Hargraves, Daniel Kristensen, Gail Lyndon, Joyce Taylor, Jason Newton, Sue Wilkinson, Jean Jackson, Marian French, Aaron Lane, Pat Lindsay, Toby Lindsay, Gloria Townsend, Kath Connor-Brown, Fred Luxford.

'Whispers of Love' Meditation -

Reflection

Recently I was given a copy of a speech Pope Francis wrote in 2019 and part of it spoke I believe words of assurance.

You can have flaws, be anxious, and even be angry, but do not forget that your life id the greatest enterprise in the world.

Only you can stop it from going bust. Many appreciate you, admire you and love you.

Remember that to be happy is not to have a sky without a storm, a road without accidents, work without fatigue, relationships without disappointments.

To be happy is to find strength in forgiveness, hope in battles, security in the stage of fear, love in discord.

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

Prayer of the Day - Pentecost

O God, who taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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The Reverend Roy Hazlewood – 0418 290 192

The Reverend Dr Richard Harvey – 0422 109 262

The Reverend Bruce McAteer - 0417 229 296

Parish Executive

Neil Ewer (0412 640 477) – Rector's Warden Terry Rowe (4365 0430) - People's Warden Kyara Newport (0400 994 779) - People's Warden Parish Secretary - Kyara Newport (0400 994 779) Parish Treasurer - Terry Rowe (4365 0430)

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Sacristan and Mission Secretary - Coralie Taylor
Messy Church Convenor - Rhonda Kiss - 4363 5001
Pastoral Care - contact - 4365 1115
Trinity Band & Cursillo - Libby Harvey - 0431 315 085
Safety Officer - Mike Keaney
Copyright Compliance Officer - Terry Rowe
Parish Bookshop - Kyara Newport
Women's Fellowship - Pam Flegg - 4384 5326
Market Day Co-ordinator - Ian Wolstenholme

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



National Reconciliation Week

Be part of National Reconciliation Week 2020

The call to us all is to strive towards a more just, equitable nation by championing unity and mutual respect as we come together and connect with one another.

On this journey, Australians are all **In This Together**; every one of us has a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories and cultures.

2007 STATEMENT BY THE ANGLICAN CHURCH ON A JOINT COMMITMENT AND AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND JUSTICE WITH ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES

AS members of the Anglican Church of Australia we are called to become a people of the new covenant of Jesus the Christ and to bear witness to justice and righteousness upon this land. We come together, Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, to strive for what our ancestors were not able to do.

TOGETHER we acknowledge with gratitude the apology given by our then Primate, Archbishop John Grindrod in 1988 for the hurt done to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the apology of the General Synod in 1998 for the Stolen Generations. We acknowledge also the ceremonies, Church services and reconciliation projects done at parish level throughout the Country. Today we are able, by the grace of God to look back on these actions as steps on the road of a reconciling life together in the Church of God. We look to a future of walking

together towards the image of Christ which points to shared faith and justice among us.

TOGETHER we commit ourselves to living out the new covenant written upon our hearts in our common faith and sharing in Word and Sacrament. In hope and prayer we look to fulfil our responsibilities to each other to share our cultures in the study and living of The Word and Sacrament, to share in our Church tradition, and to be a community of justice and righteousness.

WE, the people of the land and seas, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, as guardians and custodians of the land and islands of Australia, seek a new day when our peoples can practise and share our culture and wisdom as partners with all who call Australia their home.

WE, the non-Indigenous peoples of Australia recognise the people of the land and the seas, the Aboriginal and the Torres Strait Islander peoples to be the original inhabitants, the indigenous peoples of this land.

WE, together through this shared commitment continue to seek to heal the wounds, hurts and sufferings of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia.

WE shall share with each other visions, hopes, needs and wants in constructive ways that will bring us closer together as peoples of this Church so we may better support each other.

AS peoples of Christ's we are bound into a relationship that seeks to be the foundation of mutual trust, respect, and the sharing of power and resources to create a just and righteous Church and nation of Australia. Through this commitment our own homes, communities, parishes, dioceses and national organisations are to be sanctuaries where we will strive to live out to the fullest the tenets of this our shared faith.

We are committed to celebrating together important Church festivals and cultural celebrations and commemorations in the life of our land and seas. This gives us the opportunity to share deeply our different ways of celebrating our faith through cultures as peoples and communities of prayer. WE are committed to assisting, encouraging and resourcing ministry to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

WE pledge to consult and work with each other as equal partners in the development of our Church and land, in our communities, parishes, dioceses and nationally and internationally.

We shall establish means through which we can give witness and testimony accounting for the learnings, struggles, challenges and successes of our journey.

AND we invite all who call Australia their home to join with us as we continue the process of healing our peoples and this land and seas.



Our bishops in the Cathedral

Shaping our Future Ministry

The call to be present for worship, ministry and mission in places across the Diocese is integral to our Anglican understanding of church. It has motivated countless generations of clergy and lay people. It remains an important feature of our Anglican life.

This call feels harder right now, partly because of COVID19 and partly because of so many changes in society and in the church.

Part of the work that the Diocesan Council does is to review the risks facing the work of the Diocese. One of the risks we were beginning to see prior to COVID19 was that the profile of the risk we face in some parish ministries appears to be exceeding the capacity to manage that risk in the local parish and certainly exceeds the appetite for risk in that parish. This has been exacerbated by the COVID19 Pandemic.

In our parishes we have wonderful people who bring their gifts of skill, enthusiasm, time and money to the work of the kingdom of God in their local area.

The call upon us is to find creative ways of enabling that work to continue and flourish in sustainable cost-effective ways. The call is also to see sufficient deployment of full-time stipendiary ministers (clergy and lay) to nurture this work.

The Diocesan Council and the Board of the Newcastle Anglican Church Corporation have provided a financial safety net during COVID-19 which has been assisted greatly by the Jobkeeper payments from the Commonwealth Government.

The call upon us is to think and pray carefully as we respond to the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the work to underertake the work God is calling us to. We know that no one size fits all. We also know that good stewardship requires us to take the right action in the right time.

Bishop Sonia and Bishop Charlie are working closely with me in this complex and vital work. We share some of our reflections in our conversation for this Sunday on <u>youtube</u>.

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