

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal

CHRIST THE KING/THE REIGN OF CHRIST Last Sunday after Pentecost 22nd November 2020



9.00am - Holy Eucharist

Presiding and Preaching - Fr Mark Watson **Organist** - Chris Sillince

11.00am - Holy Baptism

We welcome Ruby Rose Fairbairn into the Body of Christ through the Holy Sacrament of Baptism at 11am today. Welcome to parents, Natalie and Lloyd, and to Godparents and family members and friends as they celebrate this new beginning in Ruby's life.

SEASONS BEGINNINGS AND ENDINGS

Towards the end of the Church Year, our lectionary readings focus on the end times and the reign of Christ in glory.

At the beginning of November, we celebrate the Feast of All Saints on November 1st. This is an opportunity to celebrate those heroes of faith who by the witness of their lives and often by their deaths, serve as examples of faithfulness to our Lord in all circumstances of life.

All Souls' Day, on the 2nd November, gives us an opportunity to remember with gratitude those known to us personally who have entered the nearer presence of God. They are often the "unsung heroes" of faith whom we have known and whose memory we hold dear.

Today, the last Sunday of the Church Year, is the Feast of Christ the King. This looks to the fulfillment of all things in the reign of Christ in glory. It is also a time to reaffirm our allegiance to the kingdom of God as opposed to those "lesser kingdoms" that seek to rule our lives. We then move into Advent, the season of waiting and preparation for the coming of God among us in the Incarnation of Jesus at Christmas, and his coming again in glory at the end of the age.

As we celebrate these wonderful events, may we again experience the ongoing cycle of shedding the old (vividly seen in the bark and leaves falling from eucalypts) and being re-clothed with Christ in new life, living out the drama of our baptism once again.

Fr Mark

Sentence

Oh shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.

Psalm 110.1

Prayer of the Day

God of power and love, who raised your Son Jesus from death to life, resplendent in glory to rule over all creation: free the world to rejoice in his peace, to glory in his justice, and to live in his love. Unite the human race in Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Ezekiel Chapter 34, verses 11-16 and 20-24

For thus says the Lord GoD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.

I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GoD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 100

- 1 O shout to the Lord in triumph, all the earth: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his face with songs of joy.
- 2 Know that the Lord he is God: it is he who has made us and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Come into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: give thanks to him, and bless his holy name.
- 4 For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is for ever: his faithfulness throughout all generations.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians Chapter 1, verses 15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers.

I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 25 verses 31-46

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of vou?"

Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

Please pray for

Barb Matthews, Graeme Patterson, Ken Hope, Norm Williams, Emma Horton, Isobel Hargraves, Gail Lyndon, Jean Jackson, Marian French, Aaron Lane, Pat Lindsay, Toby Lindsay, Gloria Townsend, Margaret Willard, Carolyn Gibbs, Kathy Oakes, Pat Stokes, Jill Ross, Tania Howlett, Ian Kidson, Maureen Hazlewood and Carmen McGee.

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'Whispers of Love' Meditation

Meditation is each Monday at 10.00am at The Church of the Holy Trinity.

Reflection:

Prayer is the deliberate and persevering action of the soul. It is true and enduring, and full of grace. Prayer fastens the soul to God and makes it one with God's will.

Julian of Norwich

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

Samaritans

Some donation requests, should you wish to bring to church to transfer to the Samaritans, are baby nappies, Christmas food items, toothpaste, soap and long-life milk.

We will have our basket for food donations available for those wishing to bring items. Suggestions for donations for the basket are breakfast cereals, pasta, soup, sardines, baked beans, spaghetti in a tin, creamed corn, chips and long-life milk.

Women's Fellowship

On the 7th of December at 12 noon, we are having lunch at Breakers Country Club. We would love to have other women in the parish join us for an enjoyable time there. Please contact Pam Flegg on 4384 5326 or Irene Neville on 0408 680 269 if you would like to have a lovely time at lunch with us. Thank you.

Dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club

Please join us for dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' on **Sunday 6th December from 6pm**.

If you are interested, please let us know by email to the office admin@terrigalanglican.org.au,

calling the office on 4365 1115 or asking to have your name added to the sign-up sheet upon entry to the service on Friday or Sunday.

2021 Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Training Programmes Equipping the Saints. Eph. 4:12

Two Foundational training programmes in Pastoral care will be offered on the Central Coast in 2021. There will be an online and a Face-to-Face option.

Starting in February students can train in Gosford Hospital and the training can be used towards formal chaplaincy qualifications with the Sydney College of Divinity.

What we offer is an excellent way to develop your pastoral ability and become equipped for ministry with a public or church setting. If you are interested in training or for further information, please contact:

Chaplain Frank Wortley on **02 4320 2253** or **Email:** Francis.Wortley@health.nsw.gov.au

Prayer of the week before Advent

Stir up, we pray you, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Ordinary Sunday 34 [Last Sunday after Pentecost] Christ the Universal King - Sunday 22 November 2020

• Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100 *or* 95.1-7; Ephesians 1.15-23; Matthew 25.31-46

Praxis means essentially doing the Gospel, not simply thinking or talking about it. Today's Gospel contrasts positive and negative examples of Christian praxis. Not only are the sheep carrying out the Gospel in practice, they are not even aware of it. Likewise, the goats are unaware that they are not caring out the Gospel, by not caring for *the least* members of His family. Believing and doing cannot in fact be separated in the Christian life. Both are essential and interdependent. Jesus is Lord of all our believing and all our doing.

- May God help us to be doers of the Word not hearers only.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of Christ Church Cathedral, Newcastle.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

Text: The Very Rev Phillip Saunders, Dean of Canberra and Goulburn

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Mission News - 22nd November 2020 Christ the King Sunday

The Christmas Bowl Appeal 2020 "Love your neighbour as yourself." Mark 12:31

The gracious love of God shown to us so clearly in the incarnation of his Son, Jesus, is a love that compels us beyond ourselves. This love continues to be a great comfort to us especially during the very troubling year we have had with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Many, many are facing devastating hardships. It is during such times as this that the self-giving love of God shines as a light of hope in the darkness.

The Christmas Bowl gives us an opportunity to continue to shine the light of hope to our neighbours near and far.

The Most Reverend Geoff Smith, Primate, Anglican Church of Australia.

Today is the start of the Christmas Bowl Appeal, which runs from November 22 through to Sunday December 27.

In 1949, when the Rev. Frank Byatt sat down for Christmas dinner, he knew millions of people were starving in war-ravaged Europe. He put a Bowl of Remembrance on his Christmas dinner table and asked his loved ones to place a gift in it to 'share your good dinner with hungry children in other lands.'

Frank couldn't have foreseen how this simple act of compassion that evening would grow into the powerful Christmas Bowl tradition we now know is celebrated in thousands of churches across Australia.

This is still much needed in our work today, especially with how the Coronavirus has changed life for all of us, and for the many who are suffering and are in urgent need around the world; the effects of the crisis are catastrophic. Already struggling, vulnerable communities are pushed to the brink without the support they need to survive.

As the world battles this pandemic, the legacy of Reverend Frank Byatt, the founder of the Christmas Bowl, has never been more important.

Dedication

Australian Churches, through the Christmas Bowl, have acted together to bring peace and hope into the world. **Help us continue to act for peace.**

As children of God we will share this year's bowl with people who are displaced, oppressed or living in poverty

May their lives be filled with hope and peace.

Gracious and ever-loving God, Open our hearts so we may courageously act for peace in the world.

As we dedicate this bowl, may it be filled with the fruits of hope, peace, joy and love, so all people may know your goodness and receive your grace.

Amen.

Coralie Taylor Mission Secretary

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