

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

28th April, 2024



8.00am – Sung Eucharist Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince Hymns: TIS 379, 386, 526, 502

<u>9.30am</u> – Holy Eucharist Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Trinity Band and Singers Hymns: 'All are welcome', TIS 392, 535, 390

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.

<u>Sentence</u>

In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

1 John 4.10–11

Prayer of the Day

O God, form the minds of your faithful people, that we may love what you command and desire what you promise, so that, amid the many changes of this world, our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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 Acts Chapter 8 verses 26 – 40

²⁶ Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.)

27 So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship

²⁸ and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.

²⁹ Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.'

³⁰ So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?'
³¹ He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.

³² Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,

and like a lamb silent before its shearer,

so he does not open his mouth.

³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴ The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?'
³⁵ Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.

³⁶ As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?'

³⁸ He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

³⁹ When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22.26-32

²⁶ From you springs my praise in the great congregation: I will pay my vows in the sight of all that fear you;

²⁷ The meek shall eat of the sacrifice and be satisfied: and those who seek the Lord shall praise him may their hearts rejoice for ever!

²⁸ Let all the ends of the earth remember and turn to the Lord: and let all the families of the nations worship before him.

²⁹ For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he shall be ruler over the nations.

³⁰ How can those who sleep in the earth do him homage: or those that descend to the dust bow down before him?

³¹ But he has saved my life for himself: and my posterity shall serve him. ³² This shall be told of my Lord to a future generation: and his righteousness declared to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

A reading from 1 John Chapter 4 verses 7 – 21

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹ God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹ Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. ¹³ By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴ And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. ¹⁵ God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶ So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷ Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. 20 Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹ The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; No one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, Chapter 15, verses 1 – 8

¹ 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. ² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³ You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Carolyn Gibbs, Angarad O'Malley, John Sorensen, Emma Horton, Gloria & Albert Townsend, Jackie Davidson, Robyn Smith, Wendy McKellar, David Lamb, Colleen Cronin, Pam Flegg, Ian, Jamie, Tahne & Syhe Robertshaw and Libby Fink.

Please note: This prayer list will be updated at the beginning of each month. Please legibly print prayer recipients names in the prayer book. Please get their permission first. Thank you.

OFFERTORIES VIA DIRECT DEBIT

Offering via direct debit. Direct debit details of account: ASDF Account: Parish of Terrigal, BSB:705-077 Account Number: 00040934. - Terry Rowe, Treasurer.

Prayer of the Week

Saving God, who called your Church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be reconciled to you; through him who died for us and rose again and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

WHISPERS OF LOVE' – MEDITATION

Our 'Whispers of Love' meditation meets each Monday at 10.00am. A warm welcome is extended to join us. Reflection: StillnessSilence Stillness: Be still and know that I am God. Silence: Nothing in all creation is so like God as silence. Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

DO YOU HAVE KEYS? NEW SIGNATURE REQUIRED

If you have any keys to the building, please either see a Church Warden today or contact Cal in the office on 4365 1115 to arrange a time to come in and sign the new key register. Thank you.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

This year's Spring Celebration Service for Anglican Women in the Diocese of Newcastle will be held on Tuesday, 3rd September, 2024 at St Peter's Anglican Church, 47 William Street, East Maitland.

Limited transport can be arranged for those wishing to attend. This is a lovely day of worship and celebration with many other women from the Diocese of Newcastle. Please consider attending.

Enquiries, Elsa Sorensen. 0417 063 286.

SAMARITANS

The Samaritans at Wyoming are operating as usual. Thank you to the congregation for being excellent givers of donations for the Samaritans.

Items needed now include tinned vegetables and fruits, pasta & sauce and cereal. Thank you.

Margaret Maclachlan.

THANK YOU BOXES

Please take a Thank You box and put a coin in it when one receives a blessing. In 2023-2024 we are supporting the Newcastle Diocesan Domestic Abuse Project. Thank you.

DINNER AT TERRIGAL BOWLING CLUB

Please join us for dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' on Sunday 5th May, 2024 from 6pm.
If you would like to attend, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the small notice board in the foyer. Thank you.

THANK YOU FOR MORNING TEA HELP

As we currently don't have anyone permanently on the morning tea roster on the third Sunday of the month, we would like to say a big thank you to all who provided a small plate towards morning tea and who helped out in the kitchen this month. It would be very much appreciated if parishioners would consider providing a small plate of morning tea, on occasion, to supplement morning tea on the other weeks, to help out those already rostered. Thanking you in advance.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

We encourage and welcome ladies from all services, including both the 8.00am and 9.30am services, to join us in Women's Fellowship. We generally meet on the second Monday of the month, finishing with afternoon tea.

This month our meeting will be held on Monday 13th May, 2024 at 1.00pm at church, followed by afternoon tea. There will be a speaker talking about Art and we would be delighted to welcome everyone to what should be a very interesting talk.

MISSION NEWS

This year Sea Sunday is the 14th JULY 2024 which for many of you, means beanie knitting.

Sea Sunday gives the parish the opportunity to reflect on and support the work of the Mission to Seafarers.

More than 90% of the world's goods and fuels are transported around the world thanks to seafarers. The Mission to Seafarers is on call providing help for seafarers in over 200 ports around the world. Seafarers these days can be both men and women. The over 1.5 million seafarers across the world are often away from home for many months. This can lead to loneliness and mental health issues.

At the Port of Newcastle, the Mission to Seafarers provides chaplaincy support, access to Wi-Fi and SIM cards, a comfortable place to rest, food and toiletries as well as clothing, transport to shops and there is always someone to talk to.

As a parish, we can provide support in the following ways: For those who can knit, there are beanie kits for you to take. You can donate 8ply wool. You can donate warm socks and toiletries.

Please leave any of these items in the box provided or at the office.

Thank you for your help.

Libby Harvey

MISSIONS SECRETARY

MOTHER'S UNION CENTENARY CELEBRATION

Help celebrate Merewether Mother's Union Centenary on

Wednesday 24th July, 2024 at Saint Augustine's Merewether,

37 Winsor Street (Corner Llewellyn St), Merewether commencing at 2pm in church

followed by afternoon tea, reminiscences and fellowship in the hall. Special guest speaker is Mrs Sue Williams, former parishioner and MU Member of Saint Augustine's. All welcome! RSVP to Jeanette Johnston on 0408 213 628 or Ann Clarke on 0417 417 474. Or contact Elsa Sorensen: 0417 063 286



Easter 5 B – Sunday 28 April 2024

• Acts 8.26-40; Psalm 22.26-32; 1 John 4.7-21; John 15.1-8

It is said that St John in advanced age became too frail to preach, so his disciples would carry him into the assembly where he would say simply, "Little children love one another". Abiding in love is one of the central themes of the writings that take his name. Today we have those themes brought together in the image of the vine. The vine is the sum of the branched. One is indistinguishable from the other. When we truly abide in Divine love, we are indistinguishable from Christ.

- Pray that we all may experience God's love.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev and Rt Hon Justin Welby

Text: Archdeacon Rod Bower, Director of Mission, Diocese of Newcastle © Anglican Board of Mission, 2024

Next Sunday – 5th May, 2024 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

<u>8.00am</u> – Sung Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince

<u>9.30am</u> – Holy Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Sharon Sandstrom Readings: Acts 10.44-48, Psalm 98, 1 John 5.1-12 John 16.16-24

This Week

Monday 29th April

Catherine of Siena, spiritual teacher (d. 1380)

10.00am – Whispers of Love – A Meditation – Rev'd Ann Watson

Tuesday 30th April

7.00pm – Trinity Band rehearsals

Wednesday 1st May PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES AND MARTYRS

To be celebrated on Friday 3rd May

Thursday 2nd May

Athanasius, bishop of Alexandria, teacher (d. 373)

Friday 3rd May PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES AND MARTYRS

10.30am – Eucharist – Fr Mark Watson Readings: Isaiah 30.18-21, Psalm 19.1-6 Gospel: John 14.6-14

Saturday 4th May

Rosters for next week

<u>Friday 3rd May – 10.30am</u>

Reader

Colleen Cronin

Sunday 5th May - 8.00am and 9.30am

Readers	Servers
8.00am	8.00am
1 st – Colleen Cronin	Ronda and -
2 nd – Ann West	
9.30am	9.30am
1 st – Malcolm Sandstrom	Ronda and -
2 nd – Sue James	

Flowers	Sunday Morning Tea
Libby Harvey	Jocelyn Mulcahy
	Evelyn White

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