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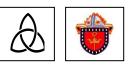
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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

29th September, 2013

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity.

7.30am Sung Eucharist [BG/BG] 9.30am – Eucharist [BG/BG]

Sunday 6th October

4.00pm - Blessing of the Pets

on the grassed area between the church and storage/work sheds We welcome all domestic and farm pets, suitably restrained, for this annual celebration.

6.00pm – Evensong

in the Worship Space

THIS WEEK

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Please note the following in your diary.

Monday to Friday – Morning Prayer at 8.00am

Monday 30th September

10.00-10.45am - 'Whispers of Love' [AW]

Tuesday 1st October

2.00pm – Eucharist at Tarragal Glen - B. Flood 7.00pm - Trinity Band Practice

Wednesday 2nd October

From 9.30am - Maestro Possums in Multi-Purpose Room

Friday 4th October

10.30am - Holy Eucharist - the Founders' Chapel [BG] Readings – Baruch 1. 15 -22, Ps. 79.9-13. Luke 10. 13 -16

11.30am – Bible Study in Meeting Room [BG]

Saturday 5th October

Garden Working Bee – Holy Trinity

The Anglican 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 - Family Eucharist 1st Sunday of the month – Evensong at 6.00pm 3rd Sunday in the month - Messy Church between 3.30pm and 5.30pm.

> Weekly Worship at Holy Trinity Friday at 10.30am – Eucharist

First Tuesday at 2.00pm - Tarragal Glen Eucharist Second Wednesday at 10.00am - Tarragal House Eucharist/concert Fourth Wednesday at 10.00am - Eucharist at Matthew John Fourth Thursday at 10.00am - Eucharist at Maxine Louise

VARIOUS PARISH MINISTRIES

Pastoral Care (2nd Thursday at 10.00am); **Bible Study** (Friday at 11.30am); **Women's Fellowship** (2nd Monday at 1.00pm) and **Men's Fellowship** (3rd Thursday at 10.30am); **Gardening** (1st Saturday monthly); **Coffee and Craft** (3rd Tuesday at 1.00pm); **Children's Program** (9.30am Sunday), **Trinity Band** (rehearsal Tues. 7.00pm), **Trinity Teens** (2nd & 4th Friday 7.00-9.00pm in school terms at Holy Trinity); **'Whispers of Love' – a meditation** (Monday at 10.00am); **Messy Church** (3rd Sunday 3.30-5.30pm); **Parish Council (2nd Tuesday at** 7.30pm)

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IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS

Once again The Women's Fellowship will be baking puddings for Christmas. This was a wonderful financial success for our Parish last year. We will start taking orders in the next few weeks but it would be greatly appreciated if you could assist us with the costs by donating the following:

1kg Mixed Fruit, Dates, Crystallised Ginger, Stout

PLEASE KEEP THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER 9am -12md

St. George's at Matcham is in need of some care and attention. It is planned to hold a working bee and your help would be appreciated.

CHECK OUT THE NEW CARDS.

Julieanne has exciting new cards for sale. Now a bargain at \$2.00 Also there are still some cards priced at \$1.00 If you are looking for a gift, check out the card cupboard, we have some lovely gifts for sale.

Next Week

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost 6th October, 2013 – Holy Eucharist 7.30am [BG/BG]; 9.30am - [BG/BG] Eucharistic Readings Lamentations 1. 1 - 6 . Ps.137, 2 Timothy 1. 1 – 14 Luke 17. 1 – 10

> 4.00pm – Blessing of the Pets 6.00pm – Evensong

Forward Planning

Tuesday 8th October – 7.30pm – Parish Council Wednesday 9th October – 10.00am - Tarragal House Eucharist/Concert Thursday 10th October – 10.30am – Pastoral Care Meeting Friday 11th October – 7.00 - 9.00pm - Trinity Teens Saturday 12th October – 9–12am – Working Bee at St. George's, Matcham Monday 14th October – 1.00pm – Women's Fellowship Tuesday 15th October – 1.00-3.00pm – Craft & Coffee Thursday 17th October – 10.30am – Men's Fellowship Meeting Saturday 19th October – Market Day Wednesday 23rd October – 10.00am – Eucharist at Matthew John Thursday 24th October – 10.00am – Eucharist at Maxine Louise Sunday 20th October – 3.30-5.30pm - Messy Church Sunday 27th October – 6.00pm – Parish Dinner at the Terrigal Bowlo Tuesday 5th November – Women's Fellowship Melbourne Cup Luncheon Sunday December 8th – Organ Recital at Holy Trinity

ANGLICAN PARISH OF TERRIGAL BSB 032-545 ... Parish Westpac Account Number 16-9152 WEEKLY GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT REALLY HELPS TO SECURE OUR FINANCIAL VIABILITY.

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah Chapter 32. verses 1 – 1-3a, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, "The word of the LORD came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying,' Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time.

Mission to Seafarers

Through a right relationship with God, and a caring, compassionate and loving service to others: which includes loving those we disagree with, and with those whose behaviour we deplore, and by walking humbly with the outsider, and those who are different, the healing and restoration of dignity in each person may begin, as each person is made in the image of God, and beloved of God.

Fr Chris - Chairman of the Mission to Seafarers Newcastle, reminds us that the Diocese does not contribute to the running of the mission, and that the funds come from the generosity of the Diocesan Parishes, Anglican Women (2012-13) and individual personal donations. He concludes by giving thanks for the spiritual support and prayers offered to the mission, during the annual Sea Sunday celebrations in July, and through the gifts of bibles, beanies, food, clothing and magazines which help make the Mission a place of warmth and hospitality. These donations ensure that 'our Seafarers feel loved and valued'. The Mission to Seafarers Port of Newcastle received runner-up, and 'highly commended' in the national awards for providing the best welfare to Seafarers in 2012. Fr Chris said 'We are extremely proud to be a world leader in the provision of spiritual and practical care for the lost, the last, the lonely and the least in our society'.

Please continue with your generous support towards the Parish contributions to the Mission to Seafarers through your donations - especially bibles, magazines, and knitted beanies. Monetary donations can also be offered. This is an important time of the year for the mission to receive the beanies, as there will be an even greater need for them, as the Seafarers head into the northern seas, and the cooler autumn and winter months.

Coralie Taylor - Mission Secretary.

'Social Justice Matters' - the core to who we are as the people of God.

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God? **Micah 6-8**

The work for justice is a personal commitment of faith, together with others in the community, the power to save and transform lives and nations is possible.

Tara Curlewis - General Secretary of National Council of Churches in Australia reminds us of the Biblical foundation and imperative of who we are called to be: people who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

Social justice work of the church and church agencies include areas of

- *upholding basic human rights
- * support for refugees
- * inclusion of people recognising their ability / full potential
- * poverty alleviation
- * Indigenous injustices
- * awareness of violence against women.

The Covenant of God and his people - requires us to be alert to the structures in our community which keep people poor, discriminate, alienate or reject against the Indigenous, the disabled, the stranger, the abused, the asylum seekers, the oppressed, the exploited or which decimates the land. It also requires us to offer compassion for these vulnerable people. Book of Jeremiah, Chapter 32. verses 1 - 1-3a, 6-15 - con'dFor thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.' "

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

Psalm 91, verses 1-6, 14-16

Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High: who abide under the shadow of the Almighty, **They will say to the Lord** 'You are my refuge and my stronghold: my God in whom I trust.'

For he will deliver you from the snare of the hunter: and from the destroying curse. He will cover you with his wings, and you will be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness will be your shield and defence.

You shall not be afraid of any terror by night: or of the arrow that flies by day, Of the pestilence that walks about in darkness: or the plague that destroys at noonday.

You have set your love upon me,'
says the Lord, 'and therefore I will deliver you:
I will lift you out of danger,
because you have known my name.
'When you call upon me I will answer you:
I will be with you in trouble,

I will rescue you and bring you to honour.

'With long life I will satisfy you: and fill you with my salvation.'

Glory to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit as in the beginning, so now and forever. Amen

A reading from 1 Timothy Chapter 6, verses 6 to 19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

ANGLICAN WOMEN – THANK YOU BOXES

SEPTEMBER 2013-2014 'GUIDE DOGS, NSW-ACT'

The new thank you boxes are cream, supporting Guide

Dogs. Those of you who have heard Angela Green speak and met Hamish (her dog) will understand the importance of this project. Guide Dogs is a lot more than just dogs. There is training, counselling, walking canes, etc. providing for young children to the elderly. A small number of dogs who don't quite make the very high standard required for vision impaired, are used as companion dogs, improving the life style of all concerned.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

meets on Tuesday 1st October 2013, 7.30pm at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming **Guest speakers**: Keith Allen and Michael Schell.

Please pray for

Campbell, Anne, Natalie, Jake, Kim Hinder, Catherine Tizard, Enid, Bette Lindsay, Don Jaffray, Joel, Angela, Desley Cook, Nellie Morrison, Lorraine & Arthur Hodge, Alana

MEMORIAL AND PRAYER REGISTER

We would like to establish a register of past parishioners so that on the anniversary of their death we can remember them in prayer. If you would like to include someone on this register could you please see Bev Broadley.

FURNITURE STORAGE ROOM

A mezzanine floor has been created in the room where we store our tables and chairs. This will only work if other items (e.g. donations for Market Day etc.) are stored as follow:

a) All items are placed on the shelf

b) the floor area is left clear for access and only the ladder/tables/chairs and fold up bed are on the floor.

The reason for the request to keep the area near the door and on the floor clear is because it is a W.H.S. requirement. Thank you Kyara Newport – Rector's Warden

NAME BADGES

We will be ordering some more name badges in the next week, so if you require one please see Kyara Newport or Bev Broadley or place your name on the sheet on the notice board.

1 Timothy, Chapter 6, verses 6 to 19 - cont'd

It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Here the word of the Lord / thanks be to God

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, Chapter 16. 1 - 13.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames."

Luke, Chapter 16. 1 – 13 – cont'd

But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead." '

For the Gospel of the Lord Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

`Whispers of Love'

Our Meditation group meets on Mondays at 10.00 am.

What is meditation and contemplative prayer? Quite simply, it is a gift. You may be struggling with your prayer life when God seems to interrupt and say, 'Be quiet be still'. 'Stop trying so hard'. God places his finger on our lips. He restrains us from our restless activity and invites us to be still with him.

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

Next - "Whispers of Love" 30th September from 10.00 am to 10.45 am

HRIST CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL
MANN STREET GOSFORD
11-13 TH OCTOBER, 2013
Entry by Donation
10am - 12 noon
School choirs, band and dancers
11am - Musical Society Choir
12noon – Guest Speaker from Umina PCYC
2.00pm - Band Tempo Terrific

Raffle - Cafe - Crafts available each day

All proceeds to Umina Police & Community Youth Group

LUNCHEON THANK YOU

The Women's Fellowship would like to thank everyone who helped with the luncheon last Sunday.

A special thank you to Joanne Lilly and Catherine Tizard.

These ladies supplied our wonderful array of cakes.

A special thank you also to

Neil Fagerlund for our entertainment.

Our luncheon was a wonderful successful time of fellowship. Our next luncheon will be on Melbourne Cup Day 5th November so mark the date in your diaries.

Studying the Bible – continued

From the Rector

Possibilities for Advent Bible Studies may include...

- Sunday afternoon at 4.00pm
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday including a daytime and/or night time session
- Friday from 11.30am

Parishioners are asked to indicate their preferences for Advent Bible Studies on the sheets placed near the entrance to the worship space. You are strongly encouraged to take part in this opportunity.

Parish Vision and Planning

I am grateful to my clergy colleagues for continuing, during my leave, the conversation regarding our vision for mission and ministry in God's church.

We are a faith community with a profound depth and heritage. Regrettably we are a faith community which has suffered some debilitating adversity over a number of years. On the Central Coast we witness in an extremely aggressive, challenging and competitive church market-place at a time when our financial and human resources are demonstrably finite.

Thanks be to God that we have a saving resource...the gracious spirit of God. This is not to suggest that God will simply position our parish according to our ambitions and self-serving agenda. That is a pivotal notion. It is not for this parish unilaterally to determine what we think we want to do as a faith community nor to tell God who we are and how we want God to bless us. Rather our 'saving resource' pivotsupon the will of God. It remains for us to discern God's will within a faithful life of worship and prayer and, in that truth, to verbalise our sense of Christ's call upon our life - whatever that may be. And then we may be in a position to embrace and commit afresh with a sense of hope, peace, well-being and energy. *Brian Gibbs*

Last Sunday's Women's Fellowship Luncheon

Last Sunday our Women's Fellowship hosted a Basket Luncheon in the Gathering Space. The occasion was well-supported and proved to be a very relaxed and enjoyable time of fellowship. Our brother-in-Christ, Neil Fagerlund, entertained us with a medley of songs drawn from his many years as a professional entertainer.

As part of my reflection upon the Lukan Gospel for last Sunday, and in particular the 'Parable of the Dishonest Manager', one of the prominent themes of this Dominical teaching is that of **the primacy of healing, Christ-like relationships.** Those who experience our parish should experience gentleness and caring, grace and respect, honesty, openness and enabling harmony. How are we going?

Under God's righteousness we are called into sacred relationship with God through His gift of Jesus. The natural corollary of that prior human-divine relationship is the moral imperative, which we are called to take very seriously, to share healing, Christ-like relationships with our family, neighbours and friends. God's Church, the Body of Christ, ought to be a compelling and authentic repository of wholesome, caring, selfless relationships where all who participate can experience hope and unconditional love, forgiveness and reconciliation, healing, deep contentment, truth and wholeness. Relationships and relational behaviours which abuse, distort and degrade, alienate and atrophy and, sadly even destroy and shatter others should have no place in our Parish and Diocesan profile.

Times of parish fellowship, be they acts of worship, management and planning meetings or social occasions can be a healthy medium for our being intentional to grow the depth and health of our relationships. I believe this to be core Gospel business!

From the Rector - continued Women's Fellowship – continued

For some time our Women's Fellowship have generously held funds for the enhancement of our wardrobe of Parish Chasubles. Whilst in London I took the opportunity to visit some Ecclesiastical Tailors. Generally speaking the products were of good quality and very competitively priced. I advised the Fellowship last Sunday that I have ordered two light-weight, classically designed Chasubles, one green and one white, for parish use. I expect that they will be forwarded in the near future.

Forward Planning

I am presently working on rosters and forthcoming special liturgies including Advent and Christmas, 2013. I wish to invite all parishioners who have any suggestions for these forthcoming significant church calendar events to feel very comfortable to share them with me. Further, I wish to invite and strongly encourage any parishioners who would like to be part of our planning and implementation for forthcoming events to chat with me.

More specifically some of the forthcoming dates include...

- Friday, 1st October FEAST OF ALL SAINTS
- Sunday, 24th November FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING
- Sunday, 1st December First Sunday of Advent
- Sunday, 8th December Second Sunday of Advent
- Sunday,15th December Third Sunday of Advent
- Sunday, 22nd December Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Tuesday, 24th December- CHRISTMAS EVE
- Wednesday, 25th December FEAST OF CHRISTMAS
- Tuesday, 31st December, New Year's Eve
- Wednesday, 1st January, 2014 New Year's Day

Blessing of the Pets Sunday, 6th October from 4.00pm.

The Feast of Francis of Assisi, friar and preacher (d1226), falls on Friday 4th October. Accordingly we will share a **Blessing of the Pets** on Sunday, 6th October commencing at 4.00pm in the grassed area between the church building and the storage and work sheds.

We have met there for the last two years and have enjoyed a very special time of prayer, stories and blessing. All parishioners are invited to bring their pets, suitable restrained, to give thanks for our domestic and farm pets and for God's gift of the stunning diversity amongst the animal kingdom.

Studying the Bible

Presently there is one Bible Study in the parish and that is held from 11.30am each Friday morning.

Presently this group is studying the Acts of the Apostles. All parishioners are most welcome to join this group at any time.

I am hopeful that we can form a number of groups to share a study during the forthcoming ADVENT.

As documented in other years, the season of Advent is the opportunity promulgated by the church as a time to rest, to be still and to reflect upon, be open to and prepare for the mighty Feast of Christmas. It is true, is it not, that a time of celebration is so often enhanced and the more meaningful and fulfilling when we prepare deliberately and anticipate with a real sense of ownership and understanding. What better way to prepare than to engage in a Parish Advent Bible Study and with fellow travellers from our parish.

At this stage I would value parishioners considering possible days and times to be a part of a parish Advent Bible Study.