

# Anglican Parish of Terrigal Church of the Holy Trinity



## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**11th December, 2011**

A warm welcome is extended to all.

Fr. Brian will preside and preach at the 7.30am Sung Eucharist.

Fr. Brian will preach and Fr. Roy will preside at the 9.30am Eucharist.

During the 9:30am Eucharist a program for children is offered  
in the multi-purpose room.

Parents are asked to bring their children in for the beginning of the service, then at the conclusion of the first hymn the children will be invited to leave the church for their program.

Please join us for coffee / tea and a chat after the service

**Hymn Numbers: 264 270 518 302**

**Order of Service: Prayer Book, page 119**

**Rector: (The Reverend Canon) Brian Gibbs**

Associate Priests: Fr Roy Hazlewood, Fr Warren Croft  
and Rev'd Ann Watson

## Hymn of the Week – 302

This delightful Annunciation carol was first published in *The University Carol Book* in 1922. The author's words seem to be loosely based on the Basque original of the carol. The first English hymnal to include this hymn was the *New Catholic Hymnal* of 1971. The words provide a nice exercise in punctuation; in the TIS text, the word '*Gloria*' is treated as an interjection outside the punctuation scheme.

*Gabriel's Message* is the tune always associated with this carol.

## A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

### Chapter 61, verses 1-4, 8-11

<sup>61</sup>The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,  
because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the broken-hearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
<sup>2</sup>to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
<sup>3</sup>to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.  
<sup>4</sup>They shall build up the ancient ruins,  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.  
<sup>8</sup>For I the LORD love justice,  
I hate robbery and wrongdoing;  
I will faithfully give them their recompense,  
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.  
<sup>9</sup>Their descendants shall be known among the nations,  
and their offspring among the peoples;  
all who see them shall acknowledge  
that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed.

<sup>10</sup> I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

<sup>11</sup> For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

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

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### **Psalm 126**

1 When the Lord turned again the fortunes of Zion:  
then were we like those restored to life.

**2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter:  
and our tongue with singing.**

3 Then said they among the heathen:  
'The Lord has done great things for them.'

**4 Truly the Lord has done great things for us:  
and therefore we rejoiced.**

5 Turn again our fortunes, O Lord:  
as the streams return to the dry south.

**6 Those who sow in tears:  
shall reap with songs of joy.**

7 They that go out weeping, bearing the seed:  
shall come again in gladness,  
bringing their sheaves with them.

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

## **A Reading from 1 Thessalonians**

### **Chapter 5, verses 12-28**

<sup>12</sup> But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labour among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you; <sup>13</sup> esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. <sup>14</sup> And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the faint-hearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. <sup>15</sup> See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. <sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Do not despise the words of prophets, <sup>21</sup> but test everything; hold fast to what is good; <sup>22</sup> abstain from every form of evil.

<sup>23</sup> May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

<sup>25</sup> Beloved, pray for us.

<sup>26</sup> Greet all the brothers and sisters with a holy kiss. <sup>27</sup> I solemnly command you by the Lord that this letter be read to all of them.

<sup>28</sup> The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

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

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The Lord be with you / **and also with you**

## **The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to St John**

### **Chapter 1, verses 6-8, 19-28**

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

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<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

<sup>19</sup> This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' <sup>20</sup> He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, 'I am not the Messiah.' <sup>21</sup> And they asked him, 'What then? Are you Elijah?' He said, 'I am not.' 'Are you the prophet?' He answered, 'No.' <sup>22</sup> Then they said to him, 'Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?' <sup>23</sup> He said, 'I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Make straight the way of the Lord" ', as the prophet Isaiah said.

<sup>24</sup> Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. <sup>25</sup> They asked him, 'Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?' <sup>26</sup> John answered them, 'I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, <sup>27</sup> the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.' <sup>28</sup> This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

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For the Gospel of the Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

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Congratulations to **Canon Warren Croft** on the **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** of his Ordination as Deacon today, in S. Andrew's Cathedral Sydney.

## **CHRISTMAS IS COMING**

**In the spirit of the Christmas season**

**the Reverend Canon Brian Gibbs and Mrs Margaret Gibbs**

**warmly invite all parishioners to drop in to the Rectory**

**at 56 Bronzewing Avenue, Erina**

**any time between 4.00pm and 8.00pm**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

**for a chat, nibbles and a welcoming drink.**

**Everyone welcome.**

### **Samaritans**

To enable us to add a little extra to our food parcels during December, we need tinned ham, Christmas cakes & pudding, custard, lollies, tinned fruit and long life cream.

Thank you for your generous support over the past year and we look forward to your continued support in 2012.

## **Women's Fellowship Christmas Lunch 12<sup>th</sup> December 2011, 12.30pm**

For the December meeting (12<sup>th</sup> December) the Women's Fellowship ladies will be having lunch at the **Breaker's, Wamberal**. This lunch is open to all members of our parish. If you would like to join the members of the Women's Fellowship please write your name on the list provided on our notice board. A copy of their menu is also on display or for \$8.00 members (of Breaker's) or \$10.50 non members you have a choice of 4 daily club specials.

### **Attention to all our Greeters for the 7.30am & 9.30am Services**

A rendezvous next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December at about 8.45am in the Multi Purpose Room with the idea of thinking and working as a team.

If you are not on our Greeters roster and would like to please come along.



### **Bishop's Certificate or Bishop's Diploma Programmes**

Material has arrived regarding the Bishop's Certificate or Bishop's Diploma programmes for 2012. We invite you to join us to learn more about key areas of Christian belief and their relationship to contemporary mission and ministry. You will find this information on the sides table. Those interested in participating the closing date for applications is the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2012, however the number of places available is limited and we therefore suggest that you apply as soon as possible. We will be gathering participants from around the Diocese in 2012 for learning, worship and fellowship. Please consider joining us!

## What's on this week

**Sunday 11th December, 2011 – Saturday 17th December 2011**

Sunday	Sung Eucharist	7.30am
Sunday	Holy Eucharist	9.30am
Sunday	Op Shop Christmas Luncheon	noon
Monday	Women's Fellowship Christmas Lunch	noon
Tuesday	Parish Council Meeting	7.30pm
Thursday	Men's Fellowship Group Meeting	10.00am
Friday	Holy Eucharist	10.30am
Friday	Bible Study	11.30am
Friday	Trinity Teens at Matcham	7pm-9pm
Saturday	Monthly Market Morning	8am-1pm
Saturday	Wedding	3.00pm

### Dates for Diaries

Twilight Christmas Carols on the Beach, 6pm .....	18 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011
Craft & Coffee at Holy Trinity, 1pm – 3pm .....	20 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011
Nursing Home visit, Tarragal House 10am.....	21 <sup>st</sup> December, 2011
Nursing Home visit, Maxine Louise, 10am .....	22 <sup>nd</sup> December, 2011
Trinity Teens Christmas presentation at Matcham ...	23 <sup>rd</sup> December, 2011
Holy Communion in Holy Trinity, 5pm .....	24 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011
Carols in the Grounds of Holy Trinity, 6pm .....	24 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011
Vigil Eucharist at Holy Trinity, 11.30pm .....	24 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011
Holy Eucharist, 7.30am .....	25 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011
Holy Eucharist, 9.30am .....	25 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011
Nursing Home visit, Matthew John, 10.30am .....	28 <sup>th</sup> December, 2011

### Services Next Sunday 18th December 2011

7:30am Sung Eucharist;

9:30am - Holy Eucharist

### Readings for Friday – 16.12.11

Isaiah 56.1-8; Psalm 67; John 5.33-36

### Fourth Sunday of Advent - 18.12.11

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading – 2 Samuel 7.1-11, 16; Psalm – 89.1-4, 19-27;*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Romans 16.25-27; Gospel – Luke 1.26-38*

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Tuesday - Friday 9am - 4pm

Saturday 10am - 1pm