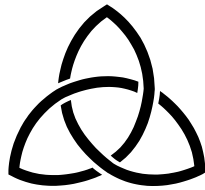


Anglican Parish of Terrigal Church of the Holy Trinity



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4th December, 2011

A warm welcome is extended to all.

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

Fr. Brian will preside and Fr. Roy will preach 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 7.30am: 272 276 508 (TIS 483 St Michael) 265

Hymn Numbers 9.30am: 526 289 (Advent) 270 527 276

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Rector: (The Reverend Canon) Brian Gibbs

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

Hymn of the Week - 276

Dr Burton's missionary and Advent hymn appeared in his *Wayside Songs* in 1886. It then appeared in the *Methodist School Hymnal* in 1911 and was later published in the USA. This hymn takes suggestions from a variety of biblical texts and makes a nice contrast to the more sombre Advent hymns.

The tune was written for these words in 1908 by Dr Maurice Wolstenholme (1887-1959) and at the request of Dr Burton. The maximum suggested speed of this tune (M126) may leave the congregation a little breathless!

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Chapter 40, verses 1-11

⁴⁰ Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

³ A voice cries out:

'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

⁵ Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.'

⁶ A voice says, 'Cry out!'
And I said, 'What shall I cry?'

All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field.

⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass.

⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.

⁹ Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;

say to the cities of Judah,
'Here is your God!'

¹⁰ See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.

¹¹ He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

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

Psalm 85.1-2, 8-13

1 O Lord, you were gracious to your land:
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

**2 You forgave the iniquity of your people:
and covered all their sin.**

8 I will hear what the Lord God will speak:
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful ones, whose hearts are turned to him.

**9 Truly his salvation is near to those that fear him:
and his glory shall dwell in our land.**

10 Mercy and truth are met together:
righteousness and peace have kissed each other;

**11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth:
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

12 The Lord will also give us all that is good:
and our land shall yield its plenty.

**13 For righteousness shall go before him:
and tread the path before his feet.**

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

A Reading from the second letter of St Peter
Chapter 3, verses 8-15a

⁸ But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. ⁹The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. ¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

¹¹ Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, ¹²waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? ¹³But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; ¹⁵and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

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

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

The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to St Mark
Chapter 1, verses 1-8

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

²As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way;

³the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight” ’,

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

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

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

any time between 4.0pm and 8.00pm

Tuesday 20th December

for a chat, nibbles and a welcoming drink.

Everyone welcome.

Women's Fellowship Christmas Lunch 12th December 2011, 12.30pm

For the December meeting (12th 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.

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.

Samaritans Charity Christmas Cards

Help support the Samaritans Foundation this Christmas. Proceeds will go towards our Christmas appeal helping people in need in our local community. \$10 for a pack of 6 cards (including envelopes).

About the cards

- Environmentally friendly paper has been used
- The handmade paper decoration on the card is embedded with seeds that you can plant in the ground. (Seeds include: Oregano, Thyme and Swan River Daisy).
- Cards feature artwork from our Samaritans Early Learning Centres and Asset Disability Programs.
- The cards have been lovingly handmade.

Please see Ellie or contact the office if you would like to see or purchase a pack of cards.



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

A rendezvous next Sunday 11th 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 16th 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 4th December, 2011 – Saturday 10th December 2011

Sunday	Sung Eucharist	7.30am
Sunday	Holy Eucharist	9.30am
Tuesday	Holy Eucharist at Brenda's	2.00pm
Thursday	Pastoral Care Meeting	10.00am
Friday	Holy Eucharist	10.30am
Friday	Bible Study	11.30am
Friday	Trinity Teens at Matcham	7pm-9pm

Dates for Diaries

Women's Fellowship Christmas Lunch at Breaker's	12 th December, 2011
Parish Council Meeting ,7.30pm,.....	13 th December,2011
Men's Fellowship Group Meeting	15 th December, 2011
Monthly Market Morning, 8am – 1pm	17 th December, 2011
Wedding, 3pm	17 th December, 2011
Twilight Christmas Carols on the Beach, 6pm	18 th December, 2011
Craft & Coffee at Holy Trinity, 1pm – 3pm	20 th December, 2011
Nursing Home visit, Tarragal House 10am.....	21 st December,2011
Nursing Home visit, Maxine Louise, 10am	22 nd December, 2011
Trinity Teens Christmas presentation at Matcham ...	23 rd December, 2011
Holy Communion in Holy Trinity, 5pm	24 th December, 2011
Carols in the Grounds of Holy Trinity, 6pm	24 th December, 2011
Vigil Eucharist at Holy Trinity, 11.30pm	24 th December, 2011
Holy Eucharist, 7.30am	25 th December, 2011
Holy Eucharist, 9.30am	25 th December, 2011
Nursing Home visit, Matthew John, 10.30am	28 th December, 2011

Services Next Sunday 11th December 2011

7:30am Sung Eucharist;
9:30am - Holy Eucharist

Readings for Friday – 9.12.11

Isaiah 48.17-19; Psalm 1; Matthew 11.16-19

Third Sunday of Advent - 11.12.11

1st Reading – Isaiah 61.1-4, 8-11; Psalm – 126;

2nd Reading – 1 Thessalonians 5.12-28; Gospel – John 1.6-8, 19-28

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Tuesday - Friday 9am - 4pm

Saturday 10am - 1pm