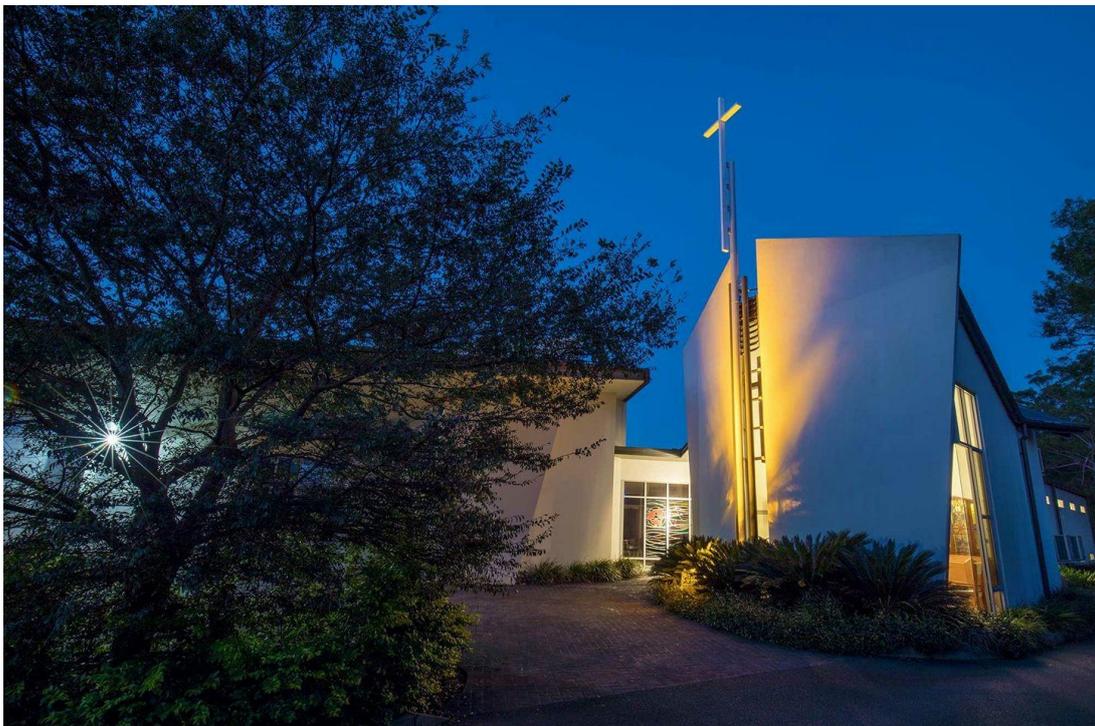


**Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
30th January, 2022**



9.00am – Holy Eucharist *Presiding & Preaching – Rev'd Dr Richard Harvey*
Organist – Chris Sillince
Hymns: 207, 452, 519, 594

[All hymns are from Together in Song unless otherwise specified.]

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.

Fr. Roy writes: Recently, I have been thinking about the things that occupy our daily lives, why we do them and what do we receive out of them. Take, for example, a trip to the supermarket. You go because you need groceries and you come out probably with more than you intended to purchase. Why are you polite to the person on the cash register? That the person may be polite to you and help with your bags into the trolley. I think you have the idea; whatever we do in a material way we expect a material reward or a feeling of personal satisfaction.

Most of my writing has not been like that. It has been concerning a greater intimacy with God for which we receive no material reward. For example, if you started meditative walking from last week's writing, it did not help to pay the bills or bring the groceries home. It serves to bring us into a greater intimacy with God with no material benefit. Two things that bring us into a greater intimacy with God are worship and praise.

These are two activities that are easy to "let go" and perhaps difficult to maintain, day in and day out, week in and week out, year in and year out, but why should we continue to practice them?

1. **We praise God because of who God is.**

God is God, the Lord alone, "maker of heaven and earth, and of all that is seen and unseen". God is loving, forgiving, and merciful who offers peace and healing and redemption through the Son, Jesus the Christ who died for us on the Cross and rose from the dead and who is alive to-day for us.

God is faithful, God never lets us go. We may let God go, but God is ever working to bring us back into that greater intimacy with God.

There is so much more to this reason, but I think that we have the idea firmly in our mind that we worship and praise God because **God is.**

2. We praise God because of what God has done, is doing, and will do.

In my case, I have been fortunate in God's goodness shown to me in birth, in life, in parents, opportunities, in following my vocation and a wife who understands my vocation even in these days of "retirement". I have seen healings in mind, body and soul, with prayers answered. I have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, Ordination, Marriage, and other sacraments.

God has been good to me, far more than I deserve or expected or for which I have prayed, through the ups and downs of life and for all of this I offer my thanksgiving, my worship, and my praise. God does not abandon us when we stray from the Way. God works all the harder to bring us back to follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ. Praise God for the love, the passion, the forgiveness, and the Presence God has shown to us in our good times and bad. We worship and praise God, not for what we get out of it, but because God is deserving of our praise. We do, however, get something out of it. God brings us into a greater intimacy with Himself.

Maybe it is a while since you thought of worship, praise, and prayer like this, as an everyday event in your life, as you practice walking in the Way of Jesus. This is now the moment to start or resume this practice.

Keep well, keep safe, keep social distancing, and wear a mask and the blessing of God be upon you and on all who you love and pray for and may your days and nights be holy, good, and peaceful. **AMEN.**

Sentence

Now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.

1 Corinthians 13.14

Prayer of the Day

Living God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
 by the riches of your grace,
and in renewal of our lives
 make known your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians Chapter 2 verses 17-21

But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31.19-24

¹⁹ O how abundant is your goodness
 that you have laid up for those who fear you,
and accomplished for those who take refuge in you,
 in the sight of everyone!

²⁰ **In the shelter of your presence you hide them
 from human plots;
you hold them safe under your shelter
 from contentious tongues.**

21 Blessed be the Lord,
for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me
when I was beset as a city under siege.

22 **I had said in my alarm,
'I am driven far from your sight.'
But you heard my supplications
when I cried out to you for help.**

23 Love the Lord, all you his saints.
The Lord preserves the faithful,
but abundantly repays the one who acts haughtily.

24 **Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the Lord.**

**A reading from the Revelation to John,
Chapter 2 verses 1 – 7**

'To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands:

'I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance. I know that you cannot tolerate evildoers; you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them to be false. I also know that you are enduring patiently and bearing up for the sake of my name, and that you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember then from what you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. Yet this is to your credit: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. To everyone who conquers, I will give permission to eat from the tree of life that is in the paradise of God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor
and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Chapter 22, verses 34 – 40**

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, ' "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

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

Please pray for:

Tania Howlett, David Lamb, Gloria Townsend, Val Stratford,
Irene Neville, Denise Perry, Anne Fitzgerald, Harvey Boardman
and Sharon Sandstrom.

Prayer of the Week

O Lord,
you have taught us
that all our doings without love are worth nothing:
send your Holy Spirit,
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you;
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

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Resumption of Wednesday Eucharist and Sacred Reading

Fr. Roy will resume the mid-week Eucharist followed by Sacred Reading of the Gospel for the following Sunday **on Wednesday, 2nd February 2022 at 5.00pm at Holy Trinity**. All are welcome. You may come to the Eucharist without staying for the Sacred Reading. It is your choice. The Eucharist is about 30 minutes and the Sacred Reading finishes at approximately 6.30pm. This is a further opportunity to show your love for God in Jesus.

SUSPENSION OF MORNING TEA

Due to the high numbers of COVID on the Central Coast and changes to our usual services, morning tea on both Friday and Sunday will not be served until further notice.
Fr Mark.

MEDITATION 'WHISPERS OF LOVE'

'*Whispers of Love*' meditation group will be in recess until Monday 7 February 2022. A warm welcome to join our meditation group in 2022.

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

Dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club

Please join us for dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' on Sunday 6th February from 6pm. If you are interested, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the notice board.

Women's Fellowship – 14th February, 2022 at 1pm

We welcome all other women in the parish to join us for a time to chat and socialise at our meetings.

Our first meeting will be a short AGM then a general meeting where we will catch up with others.

In March, Stephanie Hall will give a talk about the important medical work her husband is doing for women in Ethiopia. This will be a very interesting topic indeed, so we hope many will come to hear her speak.

We'd be delighted to see new members join us at our meetings.

Palm Crosses - Ash Wednesday 2nd March, 2022

Ash Wednesday, 2nd March, marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. This is a Season of penance, contrition, reflection and fasting, a period of 40 days for us to prepare for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. During this preparation, we are reminded, that **God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts.**

Each year the Ashes are prepared using the blessed Palm Crosses from the previous years' Palm Sunday Service.

The symbolic marking of foreheads with ashes, to humble our hearts, remind us that life passes away on Earth. **"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return".** *Gen. 3:19*

Please return your cross by Sunday, 27th February. A Bowl will be placed on the Side Table in the gathering space for the collection of the Palm Crosses. Could you please bring your Palm Crosses from last year to place in the bowl, so that they can be prepared and burned as part of the Parish's preparations for this years' Ash Wednesday services? Thank you.

Coralie Taylor - Sacristan.



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**Ordinary Sunday 4C[Epiphany 4]
– Sunday 30 January 2022**

- Jeremiah 1.4-10; Psalm 71.1-6;
1 Corinthians 13.1-13; Luke 4.21-30

Today's gospel reading continues the story of the beginning of Jesus ministry in Galilee. Last week the hearers of the passage from Isaiah that Jesus read were delighted. This week, however, not so much. In fact, they wanted to throw him off a cliff. Jesus had quoted stories from Scripture that offended them. He reminded them that in a time of famine God had chosen not someone Jewish, but the widow at Zarephath in Sidon (modern-day Lebanon) to be blessed by a visit from the prophet Elijah. She was blessed by never running out of oil and flour. And, to add insult to injury, he mentioned Naaman, the commander of the Syrian army, whom God had healed of his leprosy in the time of Elijah's successor, Elisha. Gentiles being recipients of God's grace was not an idea that pleased those around Jesus that day in the synagogue.

- Lord, may I always live in a way that finds favour with you, no matter how others around me live.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of North India, remembering especially today their ministry in a predominantly non-Christian context

Text: Robert McLean

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DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2022

AGM 13th March, 2022 – 11am.

Next Sunday – 6th February, 2022

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

9am –Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Reverend Ann Watson

Organist – Chris Sillince

Readings: Isaiah 6.1-8, Psalm 138, 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Gospel: Luke 5.1-11

This Week -

Monday 31st January

Meditation – Whispers of Love – *in recess until 7th Feb 2022*

Tuesday 1st February

Wednesday 2nd February

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

5.00pm - Eucharist and Sacred Reading at Holy Trinity – *Fr Roy Hazlewood*

Thursday 3rd February

FIRST ANGLICAN SERVICE AT SYDNEY COVE, CONDUCTED BY RICHARD JOHNSON, SYDNEY 1788

Friday 4th February

Anskar, missionary bishop of Sweden (d. 865)

10.30am - Eucharist [*Fr Roy Hazlewood*]

Readings – Sirach 47.2-11, Psalm 18.48-52, Mark 6.14-29

Saturday 5th February

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