

**Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal
Third Sunday in Lent
20th March, 2022**



8.00am – Sung Eucharist *Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*

Organist – *Chris Sillince*

Hymns: TIS 131, 464, 585, 684

9.30am – Holy Eucharist *Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*

Organist – *Chris Sillince*

Hymns: TIS 131, 464, 585, 684

[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.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTLIKENESS

Teach me, Lord, to be kind and gentle in all the events of life -
in disappointments, in the thoughtlessness of others,
in the unfaithfulness of those on whom I relied,
in the insincerity of those I trusted.

Let me put myself aside
to think of others;
let me learn to hide my own small pains and heartaches,
so that I may be
the only one to suffer from them.

Teach me to profit by the suffering
that comes across my path,
and let me so use it that it may mellow me,
not harden or embitter me;
that it may make me patient, not irritable;
that it may make me broad in my forgiveness,
not narrow, haughty or overbearing.

May no one be less good
for having come within my influence -
no one less pure, less kind,
less noble for having shared my company.

And as I go my rounds
from one distraction to another,
let me not to forget to speak,
from time to time,
a word of love to you.

May my life be lived in the supernatural,
full of power for good,
and strong in its purpose of sanctity.

St John Henry Newman

Fr. Roy writes to the disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Children of God with greetings and blessings for your spiritual growth and relationship with God in Jesus through the Prayer of Sacred Reading during this Lenten season 2022. I hope that you have been using the method of Sacred Reading or Lectio Divina about which I wrote two weeks ago. I made four points for you to follow plus the inevitable "finally" (Ha Ha).

Upon further reflection I decided to do further reading in this area of "take a little time to be in God's presence". I found a book in my library by a sixteenth century Saint. He suggested that the "take a little time to be in God's presence" should contain at least three acts to look at during the time you spend in God's Presence.

The first act is one of **thanksgiving** to God, in whose presence we have been meditating, for His goodness, and mercy for what God has shown us in our meditation, for the development of our affection and resolution to God during our meditation.

The second act is one of **offering** to God the sacrifice of Jesus in his body and blood on the Cross as we make our way with him to Jerusalem with his Passion, Death and Resurrection.

The third act is one of **petition or intercession** in which we ask God to bless us, our family, and friends and that we may receive the Holy Spirit to enable us to increase our affection for God and the strength to act on our resolution and to put it into practice in the time to come. From there we extend our intercessions to the Church, our parish, priests, and people that we may grow in our affection and action in practising our resolutions during this Lent. Follow this with intercessions for the world, for peace, for refugees, the sick, the dying and the bereaved.

When we have completed these three acts following our Sacred Reading, we move quietly away from our position, remembering that we are still in the Presence of God as we continue to walk in the Way of Jesus until we come with him to share his Passion, Death and Resurrection to eternal life with God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit world without end.

Here is a prayer for your Lenten journey.

Almighty God,
may we, by the prayer and discipline of Lent,
enter the mystery of Christ's sufferings;
that by following in the Way,
we may come to share in the glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

Keep well, keep safe, keep social distancing, 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

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near.

Isaiah 55.6

Prayer of the Day

O God, the fountain of life,
to a humanity parched with thirst
you offer the living water that springs from the Rock,
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit,
that we may profess our faith with freshness
and announce with joy the wonder of your love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Isaiah Chapter 55 verses 1 - 9

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63.1 - 9

1 O God, you are my God:
eagerly will I seek you.

**2 My soul thirsts for you, my flesh longs for you:
as a dry and thirsty land where no water is.**

3 So it was when I beheld you in the sanctuary:
and saw your power and your glory.

**4 For your unchanging goodness is better than life:
therefore my lips shall praise you.**

5 And so I will bless you as long as I live:
and in your name will I lift my hands on high.

**6 My longing shall be satisfied as with marrow and
fatness:
my mouth shall praise you with exultant lips.**

7 When I remember you upon my bed:
when I meditate upon you in the night watches,

**8 How you have been my helper:
then I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings,**

9 Then my soul clings to you:
and your right hand upholds me.

**A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians,
Chapter 10 verse 1 - 13.**

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

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Repent, says the Lord;

the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Chapter 13, verses 1 – 9.**

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down." '

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please pray for:

Sharon Sandstrom, Angarad O'Malley, Tania Howlett, David Lamb, Gloria Townsend, Val Stratford, Irene Neville, Denise Perry, Anne Fitzgerald, Harvey Boardman, Ron Langley, Michelle, Jo, Jan McLeod, Steve Taylor and Jill Ross.

Prayer of the Week

Lord God, our Redeemer,
who heard the cry of your people
and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery:
free us from the tyranny of sin and death
and, by the leading of your Spirit,
bring us to our promised land;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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'Whispers of Love' Meditation

'Whispers of Love' Meditation Group meets each Monday at
10am at Holy Trinity Church.

Reflection:

Our spiritual life. The most holy and necessary practice in our
spiritual life is the presence of God. That means finding constant
pleasure in His divine company, speaking humbly and lovingly
with Him in all seasons, at every moment, without limiting the
conversation in any way. This is especially important in times of
temptation, sorrow, separation from God, and even in times of
unfaithfulness and sin.

The practice of the presence of God Brother Lawrence.

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

THANK YOU BOXES AND POUCHES

These are available to everyone, so please take one and place a
coin in it whenever you receive a blessing.

Money collected by the Anglican Women will go toward
Numeracy and Literacy Programs in New Guinea late in 2022.
Thank you.

AGM TODAY – 20th March, 2022

A reminder that the AGM will take place today at 11am at the church. Thank you.

SAMARITANS

Thank you to the congregation for being excellent givers of donations for the Samaritans.

Items are urgently needed now and include, soups, tinned vegetables, spaghetti & sauce, and items for the coming winter. Thank you.

GARDEN BEE

Do you like to potter in the garden? We would love your help at our next Garden Bee on Saturday, 2nd April at 8.30am. All are welcome. Any questions, please call our office on Tuesday or Thursday on 4365 1115 to leave your name and contact number so our garden captain, Jackie Davidson, can get back to you. Thank you.

DINNER AT TERRIGAL BOWLING CLUB

Please join us for dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' on Sunday 3rd April, 2022 from 6pm.

This will be a thank you dinner for Toni Stanley for her paid work in the Op Shop as a relief manager.

If you are interested, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the notice board.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are starting up rosters again and need a volunteer to co-ordinate the monthly rosters for Greeters and Sidespersons. This will be an ongoing role where you will organise people for a monthly roster which will be sent to the office for printing. If you need help initially, Cal in the office can be of assistance. Please see Fr Mark or call Cal on Tuesday or Thursday on 4365 1111 or email her at admin@terrigan.org.au if you are interested in volunteering for this role. Thank you.



Lent 3C

– Sunday 20 March 2022

- Isaiah 55.1-9; Psalm 68.1-9;
1 Corinthians 10.1-13; Luke 13.1-9

Jesus talks about we are to bear fruit through the parable of the barren fig tree. The owner of the fig tree complains to his gardener that the tree is barren and has not borne fruit in three years. He wants to cut it down so that the soil is not wasted. However, his gardener asks for one more year in which the gardener will tend it with special care. Jesus, the gardener of our souls, wants us to live fruitful lives.

- Lord, on the day of Resurrection Mary Magdalene mistook you for a gardener; come, I pray you, into my soul and nourish it, that I may bear fruit for you.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of South East Asia.

Text: Robert McLean

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Rosters for next week

27th March – Fourth Sunday in Lent

8.00am

| Readers | Servers |
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| Chris Sillince Neil Ewer | - |

9.30am

| Readers | Servers |
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| Mike Keaney Sally Keaney | - |

Next Sunday – 27th March, 2022

Fourth Sunday in Lent

8.00am – Sung Eucharist – *Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*

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9.30am – Holy Eucharist – *Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*

Organist – *Chris Sillince*

Hymns: : TIS 217 (i), 576, 584 (i), 595

Readings: Joshua 5.2-12, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5.16-21

Gospel: Luke 15.11-32

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This Week -

Monday 21st March

Thomas Cranmer, archbishop of Canterbury, martyr and liturgist (d. 1556)

10.00am - Meditation – Whispers of Love – [*Reverend Ann Watson*]

Tuesday 22nd March

Thomas Ken, bishop of Bath and Wells, teacher (d. 1711)

7.00pm – Trinity Band and Singers rehearsal

Wednesday 23rd March

5.00pm – Eucharist and Sacred Reading [*Fr Roy Hazlewood*]

Thursday 24th March

Paul Couturier, ecumenist (d. 1953)

Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador (d. 1980)

7.30pm – Lenten Studies [*Fr Mark Watson*]

Friday 25th March

THE ANNUNCIATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10.30am – Eucharist [*Fr Mark Watson*]

Readings: Isaiah 7.10-14, Psalm 40.6-13, Hebrews 10.4-10 **Gospel:** Luke 1.26-38

11.00am – Morning Tea [*Fr Mark Watson*]

11.30am – Lenten Studies [*Fr Mark Watson*]

Saturday 26th March

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